



**WEST BAY
ELEMENTARY**

THE WOLF

WOLF WEEK BEGINNING 2 MARCH, 2026

2026-27 REGISTRATION OPEN NOW



WEST BAY INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT HERE



HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR WEST BAY

Much excitement for Friday! Thank you students & parents for bringing this cultural event to the West Bay community.



We are creating a community rock garden!



We are asking that all West Bay Students bring in a rock by **Monday March 2nd**

The perfect rock will:

1. Fit in your palm
2. Be smooth and round
3. Large enough to write on

BASKETBALL JAMBOREES

At the basketball jamboree, the girls team competed in five games and brought energy and effort from start to finish. Their stamina and teamwork stood out as they continued to push themselves all day. The progress they've made since the beginning of the season was clear in their confidence and play. [Congratulations](#) on a great season!



Huge shout out to coaches - Ms. Little and Ms. Atkinson for their energy, enthusiasm and dedication to the girls' team this season!

LEAVING EARLIER THAN 13 MAR

Or returning after 30 March - the office needs to know your departure and return dates please sbarrie@wvschools.ca.

TERM 2 LEARNING UPDATES

Access MyEducation [HERE](#) to view your child/ren's Term Two Learning Update.

On March 13th, you will receive an email from

"sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca" with details about accessing the Term Two Learning Updates.

If you are new to West Bay, you should have received an email from the email address

"sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca" with instructions for how to create a MyEd. Family Portal account.

STEPS

- Use a desktop or laptop the first time to activate a new account.
- Enable Pop Ups
- MyEducation works with these browsers the best – Chrome, Safari or MS Edge

If you did not receive this email, please search your junk folder and if it didn't land there, please contact Ms. Barrie (sbarrie@wvschools.ca) after Spring Break. The Learning Updates provide information of the progress your child has made this year in all areas of learning as well as suggestions for further growth and development.

Families are encouraged to download these reports and save them. Reports will only remain on our system until 25 September 2026.

If you need further help click [HERE](#).

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

27 Lunar New Year Celebrations

MARCH CALENDAR

2	Last Volleyball After School
6	PAC Exec Meeting Last Kung Fu Class After School
9	Last Steamoji K and Gr 1 Clocks Spring Forward
10	09:30-10:30 2026 K Class in LC Last Steamoji Gr 2 and Up
11	2nd K Hearing Tests
12	Nowruz Last LightsUp Class After School
13	Term 2 Learning Updates
16-27	SPRING BREAK
30	First Day Back to School First Steamoji, K and Gr 1
31	First Steamoji Gr 2 and Up First Volleyball After School
31	Sexual Health Parent Ed

CEREAL BOX CHALLENGE 11-13 MARCH

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PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR BOXES OF CEREAL TO MAIN FOYER FROM WED 11-FRI 13 MARCH
ALL DONATIONS WILL GO TO PROJECT HARVEST



WEST BAY'S 2023-2026 SCHOOL GOAL FESL (Framework for Enhancing Student Learning)

PLAN SUMMARY IS [HERE](#). West Bay students will cultivate a deep understanding of their Learner Profile attributes, empowering them to (1) become proactive leaders in their educational journey, (2) confidently navigate conflict resolution, and (3) passionately support causes they care about

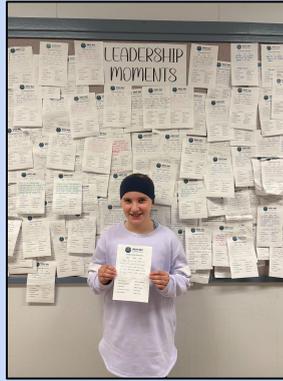
NOWRUZ - THURS 12 MARCH

Thank you to the parents who have stepped up to help organise this event for students and staff on March 12



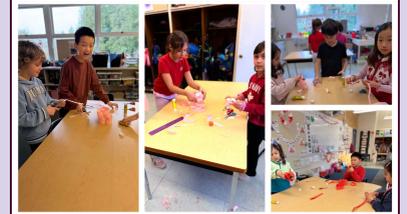
LEADERSHIP MOMENTS

Week Beginning 23 February



HEART STEM CHALLENGE

How can you create the tallest and strongest tower using hearts? Each Gr 2 group was given only one piece of paper and a challenge to balance their hearts. They used their thinking skills to come up with so many different strategies- small to make more hearts, thick to make it stronger.



MOTHER TONGUE READING IN GR 1

Thank you to the parents who have come into classes to read to students in their mother tongue. Students are having fun learning to say simple phrases in other languages and making connections with other cultures



HOW TO BE A GOOD FRIEND

Gr 3 students celebrated Pink Shirt Day by creating mini books about how to be a good friend! 🧑🏻‍🦓💖

Students folded a large piece of paper to make their own mini books and wrote or drew ways to show kindness, support others, and be a positive friend.



It was amazing to see their creativity and thoughtful ideas!

SOAPSTONE CARVING

Grade 2 students were so fortunate to have Studiostone Creative visit to teach how to carve soapstone - which is a unique material which originates from Brazil. It was a challenge to file the stone but we were all successful in creating a wolf in honour of being West Bay wolves!



west vancouver MEMORIAL LIBRARY

SPRING BREAK PROGRAMS

Sign Up Early to avoid disappointment

Free and lots of variety available

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW CHOICES](#)

PHYSICAL LITERACY GAMES

District specialists - Amber and Erin - came to teach Gr 2 students some new games last week!

Students played Head, Shoulders, Knees, Cup and Valleys & Volcanoes.

[CLICK ON PHOTO TO VIEW](#)



AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES THIRD TERM



CREATIVE BUILDERS
BUILD, CREATE & IMAGINE!
Creative Builders introduces our apprentices to hands-on making through fun, age-appropriate crafting and early engineering projects. From imaginative crafts to simple structures and tools, children develop creativity, problem-solving skills, and confidence as young builders. Let's get building!

DATES
Mondays at 3-4pm
March 30th
April 13th
April 20th
April 27th
May 4th
May 21st
May 28th
June 1st
June 8th
June 15th

**MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL
CREATIVE BUILDERS
KINDERGARTEN/GRADE 1**
(30 March-15 June), 3-4 PM

Please complete form [here](#) and email to westvancouver@steamoji.com



DIGITAL DESIGN & FABRICATION 3-4PM
DESIGN, CODE & BRING IDEAS TO LIFE
Designed for Grade 2 and up, this program introduces students to digital creation and modern making. Apprentices will design in 3D, explore laser cutting, and learn basic coding concepts as they turn ideas into real projects. Through hands-on challenges, kids build problem-solving skills, creativity, and confidence using real-world tools. Let's get building!

March 31st
April 7th
April 14th
April 21st
April 28th
May 5th
May 12nd
May 19th
May 26th
June 2nd
June 9th
June 16th

**TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL
DIGITAL DESIGN AND FABRICATION
GR 2 AND UP**
(31 March-16 June), 3-4 PM

Please complete form [here](#) and email to westvancouver@steamoji.com

**TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL, ALL GRADES
VOLLEYBALL**
(31 March-23 June), 3-4 PM
REGISTER HERE



**WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL
BASEBALL - GRADES 1-4**
(1 April-17 June, no Class on 3 June)
(11 Sessions)

REGISTER [HERE](#)



**THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL, ALL GRADES
LIGHTS UP MUSICAL THEATRE**

(16 April-11 June), 2:50-5:00 PM

REGISTER [HERE](#)



**FRIDAYS AFTER SCHOOL
KUNG FU (9 sessions)**
(No Classes 3 Apr, 15 May, 29 May and 12 June)
K to Grade 2, 3:00-3:40 PM
Gr 2 to Gr 7, 4:45-5:00 PM
REGISTER [HERE](#), More Information [HERE](#).

**FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL, ALL GRADES
FARSI**
No classes on (15 May, 12 June)
3-5 PM
REGISTER [HERE](#)
Email : info@farsidarbc.ca

BEFORE SCHOOL THIRD TERM - DROP IN AND NO SIGN UP

MONDAYS @ 08:15 AM
Math Club
Learning Commons
Starts 13 April



THURSDAYS @ 08:15 AM
Reading Before School
Learning Commons
Starts Thursday 2 April



FRIDAYS @ 08:15 AM
Chess Before School
Learning Commons
Starts Friday 10 April





PAC NEWS & EVENTS: <https://west-bay-pac.square.site>



WISHLIST ITEMS
THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS

Help shape the future
by [sponsoring](#) today!

So far we've raised \$4,210 for [Wishlist](#) items — funding enhanced resources, workshops, programs, and meaningful experiences that directly benefit our students. Have questions about fundraising? Visit our new [FAQs](#) page for more info. **A huge thank you to all of our generous sponsors for making this possible!**



WE DID IT!
\$2000

KATH MURDOCH – INQUIRY WORKSHOP (\$200):
NEW THIS WEEK – We did it! A huge thank you to our incredible sponsors for fully funding this program!

Together, we're bringing world-leading inquiry expert Kath Murdoch to West Bay to model lessons that spark curiosity, critical thinking, and deeper learning — a lasting investment in our students and teachers.



NEW

IPADS (\$560): After the summer break, we found that 16 ipads were out of date & needed replacing. Help equip our students with up-to-date learning tools.



Raised \$50 so far

KALLIE GEORGE – AUTHOR WORKSHOP (\$50): Last week, Kallie George, celebrated children's author & literacy expert lead a hands-on creative writing & reading activity that sparked imagination, confidence & literacy skills — an inspiring, skill-building experience for our students & parents! ***Thanks to our sponsor!***



Raised \$100 so far

FIREFLY STORYTELLING – LITERACY PROGRAM (\$100): FireFly is a Grade 1 storytelling program that builds confidence, creativity & early literacy through fun drama-based activities, ending with a published class book. ***Thanks to our sponsor!***



PAC MEETING Presentations

PRINCIPAL PRESENTATION

- Kallie George
- Technology & Online Concerns
- Emergency Procedures
- Learn2Ride Program
- After School Offerings

PAC PRESENTATION

- Top Parent Tech takeaways
- School Travel Mini Grant
- Hot Lunch Survey
- Fundraising & Wishlist
- Chair & Treasurer Report



SAVE THE DATE – FRI, JUNE 5 WEST BAY CARNIVAL DAY

We're excited to announce our first WEST BAY CARNIVAL DAY! Enjoy an afternoon of games, prizes, creativity, food & fun.

To keep tickets affordable, we're seeking sponsors for activities, entertainment & supplies. We've already received a *FULL SPONSORSHIP* for popcorn, and partial sponsorships for Build-a-Bear, Water Bottle making & Glitter Tattoos. [—SPONSOR HERE—](#)



CARNIVAL DJ
CAD\$300.00



POPCORN
CAD\$260.00



FACE PAINTING
CAD\$50.00

GLITTER TATTOO STATION

The Glitter Tattoo Station is a sparkling, hands-on activity where students can...

CAD\$25.00

Per sponsorship or \$100 total



\$25
Raised so far

WATER BOTTLE DECORATING STATION

The Water Bottle Decorating Station is a creative, hands-on activity where student...

CAD\$25.00

Per sponsorship or \$200 total



\$25
Raised so far

BUILD-A-BEAR STATION

The Build-A-Bear experience is one of the most heart-warming and memorable...

CAD\$50.00

Per sponsorship or \$200 total



\$50
Raised so far

FACE PAINTING

The Face Painting Station brings classic carnival magic to life, transforming...

CAD\$50.00



BALLOON ANIMALS & SCRUFFLES THE CLOWN

Bring smiles, laughter, and classic carnival magic to West Bay Carnival Day by...

CAD\$100.00



HOCKEY SHOOTOUT CARNIVAL GAME

The Hockey Shootout is an action-packed, skills-based carnival game where student...

CAD\$100.00



SOCCER SKILLS CARNIVAL GAME

The Soccer Skills Carnival Game is a fun, high-energy station where students can...

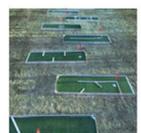
CAD\$200.00



9-HOLE MINI GOLF CARNIVAL GAME

The 9-Hole Mini Golf course brings fun, friendly competition to Carnival Day!...

CAD\$200.00



A PROBLEM WITH SOLUTIONS

It takes way too long for parents to pick up their children after school. Fortunately, this problem is solvable. The most helpful are:

1. Please pull up as far as you can to pick up your child so cars behind you can do the same.
2. If you absolutely have to get out of your car, please wait until you are in the furthest spot forward so you are not in the way.
3. Please remind your child (we'll do the same) to be ready for you: they are looking for your car and have their backpack ready.

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

Please ensure you pull as far forward as possible to avoid a backlog behind you. If you need to get out to look for your child, wait until you are in spots 1 or 2.



PARKING DOS AND DON'TS



Click [HERE](#) for more information.

ONLY Kindergarten families are permitted to park in the upper field lot at the beginning and end of the school day. Please display your K decal.

VOLUNTARY ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

Please understand that if you are choosing to take extended holidays when classes are in session, teachers cannot replicate the learning that happens within the classroom and are not able to provide online learning opportunities.

Our teachers do their very best to support students during required absences due to illness, however, when the absence is voluntary and a family's choice (such as extending a weekend, holiday, or vacation), it is a family's responsibility to maintain academic learning at home.

Please take time to read with your child, have them write in a "holiday" journal, do Math IXL online, participate in any assignments shared via Google Classroom (intermediate students), and take advantage of other emergent opportunities to practise foundational skills (e.g. following instructions and using math while cooking).

Families may email their child's teacher(s) to see if there is other work their child can do, however, our teachers' energy and focus continues to be on the learning of students within the classroom

Personal Digital Device Use

We ask families to support a learning-focused approach to technology at school by refraining from using your mobile phone when on the school grounds. When children see others on phones, they are drawn to theirs too. Further information on our School District's policy regarding personal digital device use can be found [here](#) and parent resource infographics on social media use are [here](#).

Personal Digital Device Use

<p>7:50 AM – 8:50 AM</p> <p>Student Arrival</p>	<p>Students can send text messages and make phone calls on their mobile phone.</p> <p>Students cannot play video games, use social media, take or view photos or videos, listen to music, etc. No laptop or tablet use.</p>
<p>8:50 AM – 2:50 PM + School Events</p>	<p>Students are only allowed to use their device when given permission by a staff member and are supervised by a staff member.</p> <p>Devices are to be stored in silent mode or off.</p>
<p>2:50-3:50 PM</p> <p>Student Departure</p>	<p>Students can send text messages and make phone calls on their mobile phone.</p> <p>Students cannot play video games, use social media, take or view photos or videos, listen to music, etc. No laptop or tablet use.</p>

HOT LUNCH ORDERING Ongoing Ordering [Here](#)

(1 week window - this is a change)

- Monday - Fresh Bay Pizza
- Tuesday - Aburi
- Wednesday - Well Fed
- Friday - Panago and Well Fed

Any questions - email hotlunchwb@gmail.com

USEFUL LINKS

[MYEDUCATION BC](#)

[VCH VACCINATION PROCESS](#)

[DOCUMENT UPLOAD LINK](#)

[MYED BC FAMILY PORTAL PAGE](#)

[PARENT IT GUIDE](#)

[WINTER WEATHER AND CLOSURES](#)

[2025-26 YEAR IN A GLANCE CALENDAR](#)

[CODE OF CONDUCT](#)

[SCHOOL CASH ONLINE](#)

[SCHOOL CASH ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS](#)



West Bay PAC
WhatsApp group



West bay nowruz
WhatsApp group

LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM MINISTER BEARE
Following the tragedy which occurred at
Tumbler Ridge
[CLICK HERE TO VIEW](#)

School Year 2026 - 2027 (August 2026 - June 2027)

August 2026							September 2026							October 2026						
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February 2027							March 2027							April 2027						
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May 2027							June 2027						
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 Stat Holiday
 Winter & Spring Breaks
 Professional Day
 First and last day of classes
 Reading Break / NID

DPAC	EXECUTIVE MEETINGS	PAC MEETINGS
1 April	10 April	17 April
6 May	8 May	22 May
3 June	TBD	9 June

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS
Local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a [single link](#) rather than detailed in school newsletters.

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West Bay Elementary | Cypress Park Primary
IB World Schools
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I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.

SPRING ADAPTIVE SOCCER PROGRAM FOR NEURODIVERSE PLAYERS

10 Week Program
on Thursdays from 3:45-4:45 PM
April 9th is the first session!
For ages 5 to 16
Location: Ambleside Field D

Register Here

Free Jersey Included with Registration fee

Our Adaptive Soccer Program is designed especially for neurodiverse players who are eager to explore the game of soccer in a fun, welcoming, and supportive environment. Whether a player is brand new to organized soccer or has some experience, everyone is encouraged to join, learn, and grow. The program is open to players aged 5 to 16.