



**WEST BAY
ELEMENTARY**

THE WOLF

WOLF WEEK BEGINNING 9 MARCH, 2026

2026-27 REGISTRATION OPEN NOW



WEST BAY INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT HERE



**CLOCKS
SPRING FORWARD
1 HOUR ON
9 MARCH FOR THE
LAST TIME - YAY!**



SPRING FORWARD
SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD AN HOUR

BOYS BASKETBALL SEASON
The boy's basketball team wrapped up their season at the jamboree this week. The boys showed immense improvement from the start of the season and also showed great sportsmanship throughout the tournament.



Huge thank you to coaches Dignum and Nichols!

2026-27 IB FEES CURRENT STUDENTS
The annual fee of \$550.00 per student is due for the 2026-27 school year, fee request letter HERE. This amount may be paid on School Cash Online in **up to 5 instalments if you sign up by March 25th** - on April 1, May 1, June 1, July 1 & August 1.
Please click HERE to access School Cash Online.

**KINDERGARTEN
CEREAL CHALLENGE
Wed 11 Mar**



**9-12 MARCH
COLLECTION
IN MAIN FOYER**

**PROJECT
HARVEST
WISH LIST**

*HARVEST CRUNCH HONEY
NUT GRANOLA
FRUIT LOOPS
KELLOGS MINI WHEATS
FROSTED FLAKES
LUCKY CHARMS
HONEY NUT CHEERIOS
VECTOR*

TERM 2 LEARNING UPDATES
Access MyEducation HERE to access 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.

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.

MARCH CALENDAR

6	PAC Exec Meeting Last Kung Fu Class After School
9	K Cereal Box Collection Begins Last Steamoji K and Gr 1 Clocks Spring Forward
10	Last Steamoji Gr 2 and Up
11	2nd K Hearing Tests Kindergarten Cereal Challenge
12	Nowruz Last LightsUp Class After School
13	Project Harvest Cereal Collection Term 2 Learning Updates
14-24	ORDER HOT LUNCH FOR TERM 3
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



**HAPPY
Nowruz**

**WEST BAY CELEBRATES
THURSDAY 12 MARCH, 2026**

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

HOT LUNCH ORDERING HERE
Term 3 Ordering Open 14-24 MAR

**MON - Fresh Bay Pizza and Aburi
TUES - Aburi
WEDS - Well Fed
FRI - Panago and Well Fed**

Any questions - email hotlunchwb@gmail.com
(Last Lunch 24 June, order by 15 May)
NB : No Changes to Orders After 15 May

Lunar New Year at West Bay

Thank you to the students, families, and community volunteers who made West Bay's Lunar New Year celebration such a wonderful day. The school was filled with positive energy, lots of learning, and a strong sense of community as we welcomed the Year of the Horse. Special thanks to Bill Sun, who is in his last year as a West Bay parent, for coordinating the day. [HERE](#) is the link to the Lion Dance.



COMMUNITY ROCK GARDEN

This week, students met in their Den Groups to take part in a meaningful school-wide activity: creating our **Community Rock Garden**. Students began by listening to a story inspired by Gitxsan knowledge keeper Trudy Spiller, which shared how rocks can hold stories, feelings, and strength. After discussing the story, students brainstormed words that represent strong leaders in our community, such as kindness, bravery, compassion, and perseverance. Each student decorated a rock and wrote a leadership word that represents a quality they hope to bring to our school. Students then held their rocks and "gave them their strength" before placing them in our rock garden outside the library. The garden will be a place students can visit when they need a moment to reflect, find calm, or carry a rock with them for encouragement during the day. This activity helped strengthen connections across grade levels while continuing to support our school goal of developing student leadership and building a caring, connected community.



LEADERSHIP MOMENTS
Week 2 March



BEFORE SCHOOL (DROP IN AND FREE)

AFTER SCHOOL - SEE REGISTRATION LINKS BELOW

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
<p>MONDAYS @ 8:15 Math Club Learning Commons Starts 13 April</p> 			<p>THURSDAYS @ 8:15 Reading Learning Commons Starts 2 April</p> 	<p>FRIDAYS @ 8:15 Chess Before School Learning Commons Starts Friday 10 April</p> 
<p>MONDAY AFTER</p>  <p>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!</p> <p>DATES Mondays at 3-4pm March 30th April 13th April 20th April 27th May 4th May 31st May 28th June 3rd June 8th June 15th</p> <p>(30 Mar-15 June), 3-4 PM</p> <p>Please complete form here and email to westvancouver@steamoji.com</p>	<p>TUESDAY AFTER</p>  <p>DIGITAL DESIGN & FABRICATION 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!</p> <p>DATES 3-4pm March 31st April 7th April 14th April 21st April 28th May 5th May 12nd May 19th May 26th June 2nd June 9th June 16th</p> <p>(31 Mar -16 June), 3-4 PM</p> <p>Please complete form here and email to westvancouver@steamoji.com</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL BASEBALL - GRADES 1-4</p>  <p>(1 Apr-17 June, no Class 3 June)</p> <p>REGISTER HERE</p>	<p>THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL, ALL GRADES LIGHTS UP MUSICAL THEATRE</p>  <p>(16 Apr-11 June) 2:50-5:00 PM</p> <p>REGISTER HERE</p>	<p>FRIDAYS AFTER SCHOOL KUNG FU</p> <p>K to Grade 2, 3:00-3:40 Gr 2 to Gr 7, 4:45-5:00</p>  <p>(No Classes 3 Apr, 15 May, 29 May and 12 June)</p> <p>REGISTER HERE More Information HERE.</p>
	<p>TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL ALL GRADES VOLLEYBALL (31 March-23 June), 3-4 PM REGISTER HERE</p> 			<p>FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL, ALL GRADES FARSI</p> <p>No classes on (15 May, 12 June) 3-5 PM</p> <p>REGISTER HERE</p> <p>Email : info@farsidarbc.ca</p>

SUMMER LEARNING 2026

Save the date! **Summer Learning registration for current West Vancouver Schools students begins the week of April 8, 2026**, with staggered opening times by grade.

This summer, West Vancouver Schools will offer a refreshed selection of **Summer Learning courses for elementary and secondary students**, delivered at the following sites:

- Ridgeview Elementary
- Irwin Park Elementary
- West Vancouver Secondary School

Important Registration Updates

Summer Learning registration procedures have changed.

Families should be aware of the following:

- **Students may register for only one course.**
 - Registration for current WVS students occurs through **School Cash Online**.
- A **\$100 deposit** is required for each course. Placement is determined by the **date and time** the registration item is submitted and deposit paid.
- Students must attend the program as scheduled; attendance expectations apply to qualify for deposit refunds.

Registration Opens (by grade level)

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 8:00 AM

- Current Grade 11
- Current Grades K–6

Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 8:00 AM

- Current Grade 10

Friday, April 10, 2026 at 8:00 AM

- Current Grades 7, 8, and 9

For more information, including course offerings and program details, please visit:

 <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/summer-learning/>



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 \$4,535 for [Wishlist](#) items — funding enhanced resources, workshops, programs, and meaningful experiences that directly benefit our students. **Thank you to all of our generous sponsors for making this possible!**



SCHOOL IS CURRENTLY SHORT 16 iPads EMPOWERING STUDENT LEARNING iPAD SPONSORSHIP

(\$560)

Our classroom iPads are powerful learning tools that support literacy, research, creativity & communication. Students use them to:

- **Read books** at their own level with programs like Raz-Kids & EPIC
- **Upload work** to their portfolio on SpacesEDU
- **Build research** skills using trusted digital resources
- **Reinforce** numeracy skills
- **Use speech-to-text & text-to-speech** to support diverse learners
- **Creatively** showcase learning through tools like Book Creator



—SPONSOR TODAY—

These 16 shared iPads will also allow teachers to assess fluency, track growth over time, and provide targeted small-group instruction. Most importantly, they're a tool to help students become confident readers, curious researchers, and creative communicators.



LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION – THANK YOU! What a joyful & vibrant Lunar New Year celebration at West Bay!

A heartfelt thanks to Bill & the entire volunteer team for the incredible time, care & dedication you've put into making this celebration so special – year after year. From coordinating music, stations, & performances to bringing our community together, your efforts created a vibrant & meaningful experience for our students. Seeing their excitement & joy makes it all worthwhile. Thank you for helping make West Bay shine! ✨



FRI, JUNE 5 – FAMILY FUN WEST BAY CARNIVAL DAY

To help keep tickets affordable for our WEST BAY CARNIVAL DAY, we're inviting families to sponsor activities, entertainment & supplies. We're thrilled to share that we've already received **FULL SPONSORSHIP for a DJ & Popcorn** plus partial sponsorships for Build-a-Bear, Water Bottles & Glitter Tattoos! **A giant thank you to our generous sponsors** for helping us bring the fun while keeping this event accessible for everyone! **—SPONSOR HERE—**



CARNIVAL DJ
CAD\$300.00

BALLOON ANIMALS & CLOWN
CAD\$100.00

POPCORN
CAD\$260.00

GLITTER TATTOO STATION
The Glitter Tattoo Station is a sparkling, hands-on activity where students can...
CAD\$25.00
Per sponsorship or \$100 total

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

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

FACE PAINTING
The Face Painting Station brings classic carnival magic to life, transforming...
CAD\$50.00
Per sponsorship or \$300 total

BALLOON ANIMALS & SCRUFFLES THE CLOWN
Bring smiles, laughter, and classic carnival magic to West Bay Carnival Day by...
CAD\$100.00
Per sponsorship or \$500 total

HOCKEY SHOOTOUT CARNIVAL GAME
The Hockey Shootout is an action-packed, skills-based carnival game where student...
CAD\$100.00
Per sponsorship or \$600 total

SOCCER SKILLS CARNIVAL GAME
The Soccer Skills Carnival Game is a fun, high-energy station where students can...
CAD\$200.00
Per sponsorship or \$800 total

9-HOLE MINI GOLF CARNIVAL GAME
The 9-Hole Mini Golf course brings fun, friendly competition to Carnival Day!...
CAD\$200.00
Per sponsorship or \$800 total

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 and Aburi
- Tuesday - Aburi
- Wednesday - Well Fed
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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



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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May 2027							June 2027						
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■ Stat Holiday
■ Winter & Spring Breaks
■ Professional Day
■ First and last day of classes
■ Reading Break / NID

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.

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

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.



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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.