

Thursday, December 14, 2023

Westcot Weekly Bulletin

School Website

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Daily Health Check It is important that parents **continue** to do a thorough **DAILY HEALTH CHECK**. At school we have always followed the same procedures regarding student illnesses - when children are sick and not well enough to be at school and participate **fully in all aspects of the day**, for any reason, parents will be contacted and asked to pick up their child. The purpose of this has always been to ensure the child receives the care they need and that the illness is not spread at the school.

WESTCOT Athletic Hoodie/Westcot Beanie For those of you who have missed ordering it's not too late. We have Beanies and Sweatshirts in the office. There are limited sizes and amounts. **Click [HERE](#)** to order, login and Go to Fundraising Open to order and make your payment. Once your order has been completed we will be able to fulfill these orders with surplus stock right away.



Westcot Annual Christmas Sing a Long: Mr. Mee and Ms. Kwan's Grade 4 class will lead us in all of the Seasonal Favourites **December 22nd** at 11:00 AM in our Gym. Throw in a Pyjama Day and Early Dismissal and we have a perfect way to kick off the holidays! Dismissal will be at 12:00 PM for all students following our Sing a Long.

CSL Reports/Family Portal Have you printed a copy of your term 1 Report Card? Last week our First Term Communicating Student Learning Reports were posted on the Family Portal. **Please print a copy for your records as soon as possible and retain it for your records.** The district has provided a great deal of useful information and has answered FAQ about the Family Portal at this link: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/family-portal>

Please contact Ms. Satchell at rsatchell@wvschools.ca if you need further assistance.

Winter Weather School Closures Our school District endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including those with accumulating snowfall ([Weather Closures and Procedures](#)). Any decision to close schools will be made by the Superintendent and will be based on the safety of students and staff. Please check the [school district website](#) for the most current information on school closures.



Why is it important to meet the needs of those who need help in society, and how can we use empathy to help us do this? One more day Westcot Community! Non-perishable food items are being collected. Look for the bins outside each of our classrooms. Every grade has its own drop box outside their classroom as well. **MOST NEEDED ITEMS** Diapers, Size 4, 5 & 6 Peanut Butter and Spreads Granola Bars Canned soups, stews and chili:10 oz and 14 oz Cookies and Crackers Pasta and Pasta Sauce Help us to meet our goal of 1,00 items collected.



Fun Lunch Fun Lunch ordering at Westcot is now open for hot lunch orders that will be delivered to school every Monday ~ Thursday with a rotating menu in each week. To order, click [HERE](#) After making your selections please go the very last menu > click 'Finished' > Next > Submit. Then follow the steps to make your online payment. **Please note that only paid orders will be processed.** Please only create an order if you are prepared to pay at the same time. Please note there is a 10 day window between an order and when lunch will begin at school.



If you have any questions, please email westcotlunch@gmail.com Please remember to send all necessary cutlery with your child. Cutlery will not be provided. Thank-you for supporting Westcot PAC!

Bringing Your Own Cutlery Please make sure your child is bringing their own cutlery. We also want to remind you that the "pack-it-in/pack-it-out" policy is in effect which means that students are expected to pack out their lunch waste, such as leftover food and lunch containers. Students must bring their own food and drink at the start of the school day; this includes snacks, lunch, and water bottles. There will be no sharing of food or drink and there will be no mid-day drop offs and deliveries of food items (or any other items). **We are a Nut Aware school. Please do not send nut based foods in students snacks or lunches.**

District Events

Kindergarten and In-Catchment Gr 1-7 Registration For 2024-25 School Year If you, or anyone you know, has a child born in 2019, please note that registration for Kindergarten 2024/25 opens at 8:00am, Monday October 16th. Registration also opens at this time for any in-catchment families with children going into Grades 1-7. The online registration application can be found [HERE](#). **Please note out of catchment Grade 1-7 registrations and out of district applications for secondary schools are not accepted until January 15, 2024.**

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare [Feeding Futures initiative](#), the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to their school principal cratz@wvschools.ca if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect and confidentiality.

Community Connections

ELMACON Math Competition 2024 Preparation Sessions and Competition We've already started preparing for ELMACON 2024! The competition is tentatively scheduled for the first weekend in **May, 2024**, and registration will open in **February, 2024**. Before that, we will be running three [preparation sessions](#) so students can get a taste of ELMACON. The first preparation session will take place on **December 9th** at UBC. If you are interested, please read for more details and registration instructions. [HERE](#)

Rec Centre Happenings Winter Break camp registrations are now open:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities/camps>

Browse your recreation activities and programs here:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities>

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:

<https://westvancouver.ca/newcomers>



You are invited Our friends at St. David's Church have reached out to extend an invitation to their Christmas Sing Along Concert **The Magic of Christmas** 7 PM December 18th

North Shore Baseball Association

offers baseball programs for boys and girls aged 3 through 24 in beautiful North Vancouver, West Vancouver, Bowen Island and Lions Bay, BC, Canada. Registration is now open.

<https://northshorebaseball.ca/registration/>

Early Bird discount of \$25 until December 15, 2023

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www.a4k.ca North Shore Baseball Association

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

AGES 3 - 26
All Abilities



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2024 SPRING BASEBALL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

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Why North Shore Baseball?

- Programs for all skill levels
- Kids play with their friends - age groups match school system
- House league and tiered options for older age groups
- Opportunities for Summer ball and Tournaments

NorthShoreBaseball.ca

Division	Born in Years	Age (as of Jan. 1st)	Early Bird Fee	Regular Fee (After Dec. 15)
26U	2005 - 1998	18 - 26	\$285	\$310
18U	2008 - 2006	15 - 17	\$260	\$305
15U	2010 - 2009	13 - 14	\$265	\$290
13U	2012 - 2011	11 - 12	\$235	\$260
11U	2014 - 2013	9 - 10	\$210	\$235
9U	2016 - 2015	7 - 8	\$185	\$190
7U	2018 - 2017	5 - 6	\$130	\$155
5U	2020 - 2019	3 - 4	\$65	\$110

These fees include a Sports Council Field User Levy, BC Minor Baseball Affiliation Fee, and North Shore Baseball Association Fees.

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December	14	K - 3 Sounds of the Season with the Grade 7 Band and Westcot Choir 9:15 and 1:15
	22	Last Day Before Winter Break Dismissal 12:00 Annual Christmas Sing a Long 11:00 Pyjama Day
January	8	School Reopens
	9	Grade 7 - 8 Family Transition Meeting at West Vancouver Secondary School
	10	Grade 7 - 8 Family Transition Meeting at Sentinel Secondary School
	10	WPAC Meeting 9:30 Virtually
	29	Professional Development Day (No school for students)
February	2	Lunar New Year Event Westcot Gym
	16	Reading Break (Schools Closed)
	19	Family Day Holiday (Schools Closed)
	21	WPAC Meeting 9:30 Virtually



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