

Thursday, February 1, 2024



Westcot Weekly Bulletin

Westcot Elementary School

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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 We have items in stock! There are limited sizes and amounts. Click <u>HERE</u> 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.

Pick up and Drop Off - A Three Part Series PART 2 We are noticing improvements. Thank you to all the families who help to keep our pick up and drop off as quick and orderly as possible. Staff have noticed quicker drop offs in the morning. Thank you for having backpacks ready, coats on and having students exit quickly when you in a Drop only Zone. Thank you for **not blocking driveways or parking on sidewalks and curbs** and thank you for never stopping to let your children off in the middle of the road. **We still need to work on this one!** Just a few reminders to keep in mind to keep our students safe, traffic flowing and neighbours happy.

• Please avoid getting out of your car in our 2 drop student zones. Students should have their belongings ready and exit independently. We have room for 6 cars in these spots. Move forward and merge quickly to free the spot. (One marked yellow in this photo). Do not pull in behind and block the staff driveway.

• Please do not enter the staff driveway at any time - before, during or after school, when using Before and After School Care or at mid day pick ups.... This is a big safety concern. Our students are engaged in before and after school activities and will be exiting the building and walking through the space. Staff and families using the handicapped spots are needing to go around cars making a drop off in the spot. Please drop off and pick up students from one of the street parking spots.

• Use the Wheelchair accessible spaces only if you are entitled to them, we have students and families who need them. Even for a quick stop - it's not ok.

• Do not park in front the cross walk. We need to keep sightlines clear.

• Please be respectful of the privilege of parking at St. David's Church while we are still able to do so.. Park in designated spots, respect no parking zones, use the painted loines and make your pick up and drop of quick. Students should not be playing in the parking lot.



FUNdamentals of Basketball with Mr. B is back for the Spring session. If you need more information or would like to register, please click the links below. Spaces are limited, the form will no longer accept responses once it is full.

Grade 3/4 BOYS Grade 3/4 GIRLS Grade 5/6/7 GIRLS Grade 5/6/7 BOYS



Returning to Westcot for the 2024 – 2025 School Year? As we are currently accepting new registrations for the 2024-25 school year, we are trying to predict as closely as possible whether or not we have room for those new students interested in joining our school. We understand that job transfers happen and relocations can occur without much notice however, please indicate to the best of your knowledge whether your child will not be returning to us in September (and we certainly hope he/she will be!). This will greatly assist us in knowing how many spaces are available. Please note that if you are planning to return to Westcot, students are expected to be present (at school) by September 5, 2024 to guarantee their spot for the 2024 - 2025. If you know you will <u>not</u> be returning to Westcot please let Ms. Satchell know in writing as soon as possible. <u>rsatchell@wvschools.ca</u>

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 <u>HERE</u> 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 <u>westcotlunch@gmail.com</u> Please remember to send all necessary cutlery with your child. Cutlery will not be provided. Thank-you for supporting Westcot PAC!



District Events

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare <u>Feeding Futures initiative</u>, 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 <u>cratz@wvschools.ca</u> if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect and confidentiality.

The 2024-2025 Premier Academies are open for registration Please visit https://westvancouverschools.ca/programs/ for further information.

<u>Premier Academies</u>: Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Fencing, Field Hockey, Rugby, Soccer, Tennis, Volleyball



Community Connections

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. <u>ca/registration/</u> Early Bird discount of \$25 until December 15, 2023 COSTS A CONCERN? Check out for Athletics Kids www.a4k.ca North Shore **Baseball Association**



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Virtual Family Math Fair

Saturday Feb 24, 2024, 10:00am - 11:30am PT

Virtual through Zoom with

UBC Faculty of Education Graduate Students and Teacher Candidates



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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
March	8	Norooz Event Westcot Gym
	15	Last Day Before Spring Break Term 2 Reporting Update
April	2	School Reopens
	25	Grades 4 - 7 Musical Showcase *Note new date! Details to follow.
May	2	Student Led Conferences 8:50 - 10:15 am
	8	WPAC Meeting Virtual 9:30 am
	9	Welcome to Kindergarten Event
	16	Sports Day Early Dismissal 12:00 pm
	17	Professional Development Day (No school for students)
	20	Victoria day Holiday (Schools Closed)



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