



Westcot Elementary School

Thursday, April 25, 2024.

Westcot Weekly Bulletin

School Website





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.

Elementary Band 2024/25 The online band registration form is now live and ready to accept our students wishing to be a part of Westcot's 2024 - 2025 Grade 6 and Grade 7 Bands under the direction of Mr. Mee. Westcot students currently in Grades Five and Six are welcome to register for next year's elementary band <u>here</u>. New this year, register before June 1st and there is a cost saving. The elementary band program is designed to develop musical instrument skills and complements the BC Ministry of Education's Music curriculum. Westcot band aims for all students to enjoy music and have fun playing their instrument in a happy and supportive environment. Payments can be made online through PayPal or by cheque (made payable to West Vancouver Schools).

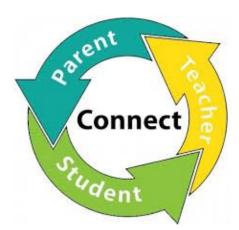




Musical Showcase Concert Grades 4 - 7 and Choir: Get Your Tickets Now! Our Westcot choir, Grade 6 Band, Grade 7 Band and Grades 4 - 7 classes will be performing 2 shows on Thursday, April 25th, one at 9:15 am and a repeat at 1:30 pm. If you have not purchased a ticket there will be tickets available at the door for \$5.00 cash.

Student/Family Learning Conferences Thursday, May 2 8:50 - 10:15

a.m. Officially, the Student-Learning Conference is the second informal report of the year, the first being the intake interviews Westcot holds in early October. Our Student Learning Conference process will once again be In Person - Open House style. There will be no sign-up; just come in any time between 8:50 - 10:15 a.m. There will be a set agenda involving our students discussing and reflecting upon samples of work from across the curriculum that they have previously chosen, all flowing through the routine activities of our Westcot morning schedule. We are looking forward to celebrating the learning with you.





WPAC Meeting is Wednesday, May 8, at 9:30am virtually. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Come to learn more about year end opportunities and to begin to plan for the 2024-205 school year. Learn more about Welcome to Kindergarten, Sports Day Plans, Our Spring Fling and exciting options for next year. Our West Vancouver School District Trustee Lynne Block will be in attendance at this meeting to talk about the role of the Trustee. The link will be available for this meeting in next week's Westcot Weekly.

Returning to Westcot for the 2024 – 2025 School Year? Planning your Summer Holidays? 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 continues to be open for hot lunch orders that will be delivered to school every Monday ~ Friday 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



2024 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2024.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on Monday, April 8 at 8:00AM.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (<u>elementary</u> or <u>secondary</u>) or on the <u>Summer Learning Website</u>.

Community Connections

Adopt-A-Fish: Salmon Release and Storytime Saturday, April 27, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Visit Swáý wi Temíxw (the Library's rooftop garden) to collect your Adopt-a-Fish certificate. Afterward, head to Memorial Park to release a juvenile Coho Salmon into the wild! Learn more <u>here</u>.





Reading Link Challenge The Reading Link Challenge is a reading trivia competition that hundreds of West Vancouver students in Grades 4 – 5 participate in annually. Since January, our students have worked in teams of six to read and study the six novels alongside our Teacher Librarian Mrs. Hunt Lise Nielsen, Youth Librarian at the West Vancouver Memorial Library, hosted a School-level Challenge in the Learning Commons on Thursday, April 16th. The competition was fierce. The winning team, The Return of the Dorritos will participate in the District-level Challenge at the West Vancouver Memorial Library for Tigers!

ACTIVITIES AT WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE/GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

Spring Term General Recreation Programs have begun:

Adult American Sign Language (NEW!), Beginner French, Indigenous Arts & Culture, Science, Chess, etc: <u>www.westvancouver.ca/learning</u> Music for Various Ages: <u>www.westvancouver..ca/music</u> Pro-D Day Camps (May 17): <u>Visit here</u>.

Important Dates:

Summer Camp Registrations Open on Wednesday, May 1st. www.westvancouver.ca/camps

Other Summer program Registrations open on Wednesday, June 19th.

Browse all your recreation activities and programs here: <u>https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities</u>

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us: www.westvancouver.ca/newcomers

West Vancouver Basketball Club Summer Camps The WVBC is proud to be offering its 16th year of summer camps this July and August. This year, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 8 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by former Canadian Men's National Team player and WVS Teacher/ Basketball Academy Head Coach Greg Meldrum. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to http://www.wvbc.ca



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