



Westcot Elementary School

Thursday, May 2, 2024.

Westcot Weekly Bulletin

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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.

Grade 2 Food Drive Why is it important to meet the needs of those who need help in society, and how can we help the people in our community? Last week our Grade 2 classes met with Joe McGuiness from the Harvest Project. Joe shared that our students could actively help save lives and improve the lives close to home. Joe shared that in the Spring and Summer months, The Harvest Project typically do not receive many food donations. Therefore, our Grade 2 class is excited to organize a school wide Spring FOOD Drive running from Monday May 6th until Wednesday May 22nd Non-perishable food items are being collected. Look for the bins outside each of our classrooms.





Westcot Parent Advisory Council Meeting Our next 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 our FESL Capstone 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.

Microsoft Teams

Join the meeting now

EduPac School Supplies for 2024-2025 By now you will have received an email about purchasing School Supplies through EduPac. You can also find the lists on the school website under "<u>Publications</u>". Our Westcot passcode is 4509. Ordering deadline is May 31st.



SPRING FLING UPDATE *WE NEED YOUR JOLLY JARS* What is a "Jolly Jar"? A Jolly Jar is a creatively decorated glass jar filled with a variety of fun items for kids that are sold at our Westcot June 13th Spring Fling for \$5 each. It can be filled with goodies like; wrapped candy/chocolate, unused small toys, new hair accessories, new stickers/erasers/pencils/pens/crayons – things you might find in a goody bag. Or it can be a theme or an activity like; Lego, arts & crafts, recipe with dry ingredients, art supplies for an instructional craft. They can also include some sort of surprise element, like hiding a special candy or something that is connected to the theme, in the middle of the jar so that you cannot see it from the outside. Please use new items and do not include any nuts. All Jolly Jars will be collected in boxes in your child's classroom during the month of May. Thank you to all families who have generously donated items for our Silent Auction as well. You can drop these at the office anytime!



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 not be returning to Westcot please let Ms. Satchell know in writing as soon as possible. rsatchell@wvschools.ca

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



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



2	Student Learning 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)
29	District Field Meet Grade 6/7 3:30 - 5:00 pm
30	District Field Meet Grade 4/5 3:30 - 5:00 pm
5	WPAC AGM June 5 9:30 am Virtual
6	District Track Meet SFU
13	Spring Fling
26	Grade 7 Farewell Ceremony 11:00am Last Day for Grade 7
27	Last Day of School for K - 6 Term 3 Reporting Update 12:00 Dismissal
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