

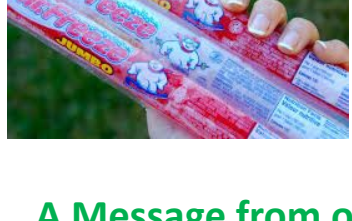
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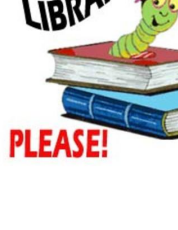
Daily Health Check It is important that parents **continue** to do a thorough **DAILY HEALTH CHECK**. At school we have always followed the same procedures regarding student illnesses - when children are sick and not well enough to be at school and participate **fully in all aspects of the day**, for 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.

Lost and Found Please pick up from our plethora of items as of June 18th along the lower hallway. Last day to claim items is Tuesday, June 25th. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity after June 26th.



Freezie Friday June 21st 2:40 Come support our Grade 7 Class of 2023 - 2024 as they hold their final Legacy Gift Fundraiser of the year. Freezies will be available after school for a Toonie. Cash only please! Thank you to all of the families who have worked to make this year's Legacy Gift Fundraising a success.

A Message from our Teacher Librarians Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. McKay Please help us to get all library books in. They were due Friday June 12th but we have a few outstanding. As the elementary school libraries wind down, the West Vancouver Memorial Library is gearing up with many fun programs and activities planned.



Registration is already open for the Summer Reading Club. Students can sign up in person at the West Vancouver Memorial Library (or your public library of choice) or **on-line** <https://westvanlibrary.ca/kids-teens/summer-reading-club/>. We encourage the students to sign up and start filling out their forms as soon as possible. This gives more flexibility in the summer for any missed days of reading. There are bragging rights too for the school with the most participants. Westcot lost out last year but prior to that earned the large school trophy three years running. Let's get reading Westcot!

CSL Reports/Family Portal (GR K-7) Next week, Final Term Communicating Student Learning Reports will be posted on the Family Portal. This **Summary of Learning – Final Report Card** is a written report that describes and summarizes student learning and growth across the year (not just learning that occurred in the Term Three). The Summary of Learning contains the same elements as the Learning Updates your child received at the end of Term One and Term Two (scale indicator, descriptive feedback, as well as self-reflection/goal setting). The descriptive feedback is reflective of the year and communicates strengths and areas for growth to prepare students for the next grade or course. **NO COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNING DOCUMENTS WILL BE SENT HOME IN PAPER FORM. (Please be sure to print a copy for your records.)** Our hope is to ensure that you are ready to access these documents by setting up your MyEd BC Family Portal now. The district has provided a great deal of useful information and has answered frequently asked questions about the Family Portal at this link: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/family-portal>

Troubleshooting Tips:

1. The portal will not work with a cell phone or tablet. You will need to use a PC or laptop.
2. The portal works best if you are using Google Chrome.
3. Don't copy and paste your username and password. You will need to type it in.
4. Enable pop ups.
5. [Video](#) instructions (4 min)
6. Families who have an existing Family Portal -When you log in it will say "Your password has expired. Please create a new password". Hit OK and follow the instructions on how to create a new password.
7. Click "I forgot my password" if you cannot remember your password – a reset link will be sent to your email as with other secure sites.

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

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 Last Day June 21st Hot lunch orders will conclude on Friday, June 21st. Thank-you for supporting Westcot PAC this year. Thank you to all of the volunteers who contributed to the success of our Fun Lunch program. Thank you Amin and Mr. Simpson for coordinating Hot Lunch delivery. Nick, we are grateful for your leadership and hard work with Fun Lunch. Stay tuned in September to order for the 2024 - 2025 school year.



If you have any questions, please email westcotlunch@gmail.com

District Events

Personal Digital Devices On January 26th, 2024, the Province announced three significant actions to enhance the safety and well-being of students in relation to digital technology, including the introduction of restrictions on the use of personal digital devices in schools (this would apply to cell phones, laptops, tablets, smartwatches, etc.). These updated policies will be in place for the 24-25 school year.

Most West Vancouver Schools already have technology guidelines in place. We recognize that the unregulated use of personal devices can be a significant distraction from learning. These devices can interrupt class time, interfere with student focus and disrupt the educational environment. However, we also understand that when used thoughtfully and with supervision, digital technology can offer valuable opportunities for our students. These tools can enhance the learning by enabling students to create content, communicate, collaborate and share.

Starting in September we will be refocusing our approach with personal digital device use in both elementary and secondary schools. In compliance with our technology guidelines, personal digital devices will only be used with the direct permission of the teacher and/or administrator, who will provide clear guidelines to ensure their use is intentional and purposeful in supporting student learning. Additionally, considerations will be made to accommodate students' medical and health needs, accessibility, and accommodation requirements.

Elementary Schools: Personal digital device expectations will be in effect throughout the full school day, including before school, after school, and during break times.

More detailed information about these new expectations will be shared at the start of the 2024-25 school year. In September, we will ask parents and guardians to support these guidelines by calling the Westcot Office at 604 – 981 – 1270 if they wish to connect with their children and refrain from making calls or sending texts to their children during school hours.

It is important for students to remain focused and engaged in their learning without the expectation of responding immediately to messages. We also encourage families to start thinking about how they can support these new expectations to ensure a smooth transition for everyone.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation as we work together to create a safe and productive learning environment for our students.

Community Connections



West Vancouver Otters Swim Club Summer SWIM CAMP

Summer fun for kids ages 6-17 for OSA to YDGA and equivalent groups!

WHY JOIN THE OTTERS SUMMER SWIM CAMP?

Our swim camp is a great summertime adventure for your kids that are sure to enjoy. Campers will be training with high level trained coaches where they will swim with friends and meet new ones!

TIME TRIALS

Time trials (mini swim meets) will be held at the end of Sessions 4 and 8 on July 19 and August 23. No additional fees for campers enrolled in two of the preceding four weeks. Swimmer times will count towards group placement for the 2023-2024 season.

SESSION DATES

JULY 03	JULY 08
JULY 15	JULY 22
JULY 29	AUGUST 07
AUGUST 12	AUGUST 19

Otters and Non-Otters are welcome to sign up for summer camp!

3 X 1 HOUR SESSIONS PER WEEK

Please contact Laura Fleury at otters.registrar@gmail.com or Coach Janusz at (604) 505-7946 for any questions

2121 Marine Drive
West Vancouver,
BC V7V 4Y2

Non-Otters members must contact Laura Fleury for an assessment prior to registering for any summer camp session.

Register Here

<https://otters.uplifterinc.com/>

Summer Camp Registrations are Now Open: www.westvancouver.ca/camps

Summer Music & Language Program Registrations open on Wednesday, June 5th
Private lessons, group guitar, music theory intensive, adult French classes, preschool weekly music class, etc...

Other Summer Program Registrations (Gymnastics, Swimming, Sports, etc) open on Wednesday, June 19th.

Live! Music Series Returns on June 12th, 4:30-5:30pm at WVCC Atrium. Free. Everyone Welcome!

Summer Fun Fest at West Vancouver Community Centre, on Saturday, July 20th.

Browse all 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:

www.westvancouver.ca/newcomers

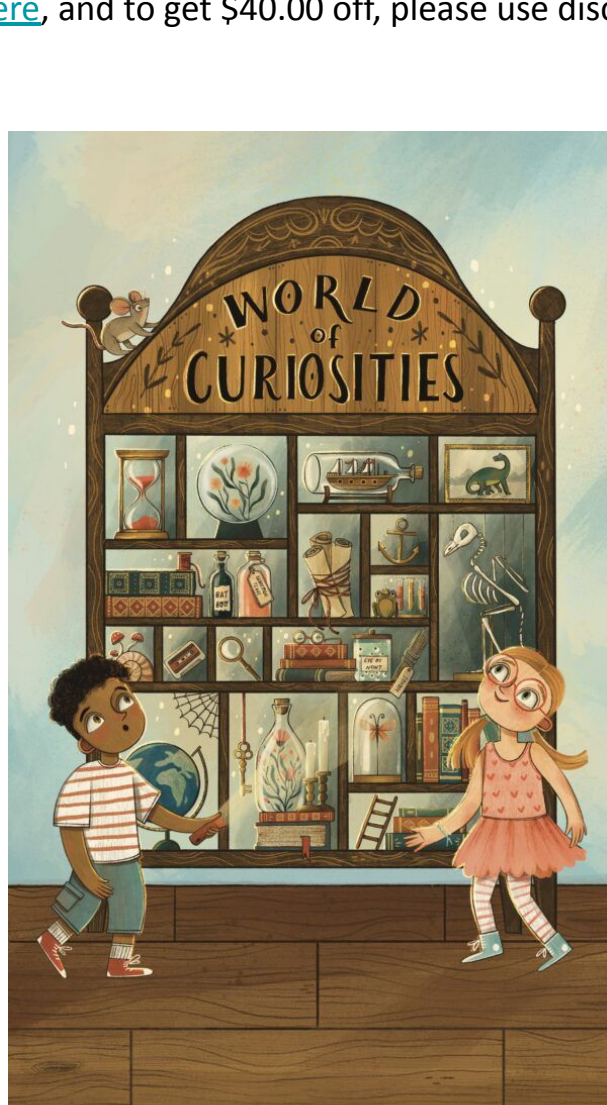
Elevate Your Summer with Ultimate Camps Are your kids looking for the "Ultimate" way to stay active this summer? Elevate Ultimate is the leader in youth Ultimate Frisbee and Disc Golf. We pride ourselves on teaching students a variety of life skills such as conflict resolution and teamwork through this self-refereed sport. There is a Summer Camp near you, and we have a variety of programs available for all skill levels. For more information and to register to hold a spot for your child, [check out their programs here](#), and to get \$40.00 off, please use discount code: **Welcome40**

Summer Reading Club - West Vancouver Memorial Library Join the Club! Calling all students in grades K-6. We challenge you to read this summer for 15 minutes a day for 50 days or more! You can read whatever you want, wherever you want, and however you want! Books, comics, non-fiction, novels, audiobooks, ebooks, magazines—in any language! The Kids Summer Reading Club is for kids

Summer Reading Program is now open. Parents can register on-line or by stopping by the West Van Memorial Library.

Here are the links

<https://westvanlibrary.ca/kids-teens/summer-reading-club/>



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>



June	21	Freezie Friday \$2.00 2:40 pm	Grade 7 Legacy Gift Fundraising
	25	Grade 7 Last Day 2:35	"Clap Out Dismissal for the Class of 2024"
	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
September	3	Opening Day 9:00 - 10:00 am	Courtyard Community Coffee
	4	First day for our Kindie Class of 2024 - 2025	

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Instagram:



https://www.instagram.com/westcot_elementary/

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