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There will be no school **Friday, April 18th (Good Friday)** and **Monday, April 21st** (Easter Monday). We look forward to welcoming students back on Tuesday April 22nd.

On the Radio - The Video You Have Been Waiting For is Here! Enjoy Westcot!

[Westcot On the Radio](#)

Thank you to Jim Kwan from [Creativ Music](#)

Elementary Band 2025/25 This is an opportunity you don't want to miss....

The online band registration form is now live and ready to accept our students wishing to be a part of Westcot's 2025 - 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 [here](#). **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.



Westcot Parent Advisory Council Meeting Our next WPAC Meeting is Wednesday, April 16 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 2025-2026 school year. Learn more about Welcome to Kindergarten, Sports Day Plans, Our New Kindie Outdoor Play Space, Our Spring Fling and exciting options for next year.

Microsoft Teams [Join the meeting now](#)

Personal Digital Device Expectations As we begin a new term, we'd like to remind students and families of our Personal Digital Device (PDD) expectations, which have been key to fostering focused and engaging learning environments. **Students are expected to use personal digital devices only with the explicit permission of a teacher or administrator, ensuring their use is intentional and supports learning.**

Families can continue to support this by:

- Encouraging balanced screen time at home.
- Avoiding calls or texts to students during school hours.
- Modeling mindful device use when on school property and at home.

Let's keep building on the success of this initiative and continue supporting safe, focused learning for all!

Please don't recycle your glass jars this April! Keep your pasta sauce jars, etc to make **Jolly Jars** for the **Spring Fling** on May 22nd!



Typing Pal K - 7 What is it? Typing Pal School Edition is a web-based application that encourages key-boarding practice for students, from beginner to intermediate. Our District is making this available to all students from Kindergarten to Grade 9.



Students should go to the unique url for our school: [Typing Pal](#) and choose "Log in with Google." If students have more than one Google account, they will be asked to choose their account - they should choose the school one.

When students first log in they are prompted to take a diagnostic type of test that will give the program an idea of where to start them. From there, the program will cater to each students' speed/ability. **Happy typing!**



"Extending a Hand Up, Not a Hand-Out"
"Helping Families in Need for 30 Years"

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

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| Canned Fruit and Fruit Cups | Toothbrushes (individually packed) |
| Peanut Butter & Spreads | Toothpaste (regular size) |
| Cookies, Crackers, Granola Bars | Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner |
| Coffee (1lb pack ground) | Toilet Paper |
| Flour, Sugar, Salt, Pepper (All 1-2lb packs maximum) | Feminine Hygiene Products |
| Oil, Vinegar (500ml) | Disposable Razors |
| Breakfast Cereals | Dish Soap |
| Soup Broth / Bouillon | |
| Rice (1lb bags) | |

Westcot Food Drive

In the spirit of giving and giving back our **Grade 7 and 2 classes will organize a FOOD Drive running from Monday April 14th until Wednesday April 30th** Non-perishable food items are being collected. Look for the bins in the main lobby. Each also grade has its own drop box outside their classroom as well. Please help us reach our goal of 1000 items!

Student Video Contest The 2025 Student Video Contest is now open for students at [westvancover.ca/studentvideos](#). This year's theme is **Reduce and Reuse**, and it challenges students to create short videos about the benefits of reducing waste and reusing items at home, at school, and in the community.

The contest closes on Monday, April 14, 2025. Good Luck Westcot! We have had winners from Westcot in the past and would love to see another Westcot winning video.

Returning to Westcot for the 2025 – 2026 School Year? As we are currently accepting new registrations for the 2025-25 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. If you know you will not be returning to Westcot please let Ms. Satchell know in writing as soon as possible. rsatchell@wvschools.ca **Please note that if you are planning to return to Westcot, students are expected to be present (at school) by September 4, 2025 to guarantee their spot for the 2025 - 2026.**

Fun Lunch Fun Lunch ordering at Westcot is open for hot lunch orders that will be delivered to school every Monday ~ Friday 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/ be available 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!

District Events

2025 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 2025.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on Monday, April 7 at 8:00 AM. PEN Numbers can be found on student report cards. Elementary registration closes on May 9. Secondary registration closes on June 13.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers ([elementary](#) or [secondary](#)) or on the [Summer Learning Website](#).

West Vancouver Basketball Club Spring Program The WVBC Spring Basketball Program begins after Spring Break and there are still some spaces available. This spring, the WVBC will be offering sessions for players in Grades 2-9. All sessions will be held at West Van Secondary. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

Registration is Open for the following West Vancouver Schools Academy Programs:

Basketball: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/basketball/>

Field Hockey: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/field-hockey/>

Soccer: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/soccer/>

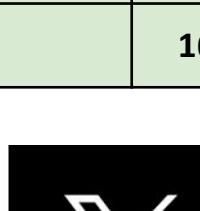
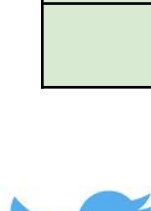
Tennis: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/tennis/>

Community Connections

All local programs, events, and resources can be found in one convenient location, accessible through this [single link](#) that our District will update each week.

All school-specific information will continue to be featured in our regular ebulletin.

April	16	WPAC Meeting 9:30 (Virtual)
	18	Good Friday (Schools Closed)
	21	Easter Monday (Schools Closed)
May	1	Student Led Conferences (8:50 am - 10:20 am)
	8	Welcome to Kindergarten 3:05 pm
	15	Sports Day (Early Dismissal 12:00)
	16	Professional Development Day (Students not in Session)
	21	WPAC Meeting 9:30 (Virtual)
	22	Westcot WPAC presents Spring Fling
	28	District Field Events (Grade 6/7) 3:30 pm
	29	District Field Events (Grade 4/5) 3:30 pm
June	5	District Track Meet
	16	Immunizations



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