

School Website

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Returning to Westcot for the 2025–2026 School Year - Making Summer Plans As you plan your summer holidays please note that school begins on **Tuesday, September 2nd** for all Grade 1 - 7 students. 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.**

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.cs if you need further assistance.

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



WVBC Basketball and West Van Volley Summer Camps The West Vancouver Basketball Club and West Van Volley are excited to offer 4 weeks of summer camps beginning on July 14th for students entering grades 2-12. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School. Students that enrol in a basketball camp and a volleyball camp will receive a 10% discount off both registrations. For further information, please go to <https://www.wvbc.ca> and <https://www.westvanvolley.ca>.



West Vancouver Memorial Library Summer Reading Clubs

Westcot, **registration is now on** for the West Vancouver Library's Summer Reading Program. While you can sign up in to July, registering sooner than later is preferred because students gain momentum towards their 49 day summer reading goal. There are also some limited spots in special workshops so definitely check out the offerings.

It's really easy. Either click on the handy dandy link on your computer or stop in at the West Van Library at the youth department to do it in person. It's free and it's great! Participants can read anywhere in the world and in any language. Audiobooks and being read to count as well.

If you live outside of West Vancouver, you can take part at any library. However, if you sign up with the West Vancouver Memorial Library, Westcot will earn points for the school and that could mean bringing home the trophy once again. (You can still do check ins for stickers at any branch in BC.) **We have won this trophy four times in the last six years including last year!**



When students sign up for the summer reading program, they get:

- A Reading booklet and bookmark to track reading progress throughout the summer
- A Starter Kit email explaining how the club works, plus graded book recommendations from WVML librarians
- Newsletter emails in July and August with the latest Library news for kids and families plus program highlights, book suggestions, and more
- Plus, registering gets your school closer to winning the SRC trophy!

No library card is required to register for SRC, but you can [register to get a card for your child](#).

K-5 (grade sixes may do this club or the teen club)

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

Students entering grades six and seven can sign up for the Teen Summer Reading Club

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

Adults, in case you're feeling a little cheated, there's one for you too.

<https://westvanlibrary.ca/books-media/adult-summer-reading-club/>



District Events

Parent's Guide to Roblox



Freemium

Roblox is a "freemium" app. This means that you can create an account and play for free but there are "premium" features and subscriptions that cost money.

Did You Know?

Experts who study sextortion and online predatory behaviour cite Roblox as a prime app for these "bad actors" to use to befriend victims. They will lure a child in by posing as a peer and then convince the child to "meet" them on another platform such as WhatsApp or Discord, where they can be more intimate. Boys between the ages of 9 and 15 are prime targets.

General Information

Roblox is an online platform where children can play a wide range of games, create their own virtual experiences and connect with other players from around the world. It is a mix of gaming, creativity and social interaction – all happening in a digital environment.

Roblox does not have a minimum age level to join, so students as young as Kindergarten could create an account.

Social interaction is a large part of Roblox's appeal. Players can text and voice chat with other players. The leads children to make connections with people they do not know in person. These people may lie about who they are as a way to engage with unsuspecting youth.

"Robux"

Robux is Roblox's own currency. It encourages players to level up their avatar and get game enhancements, among other things. Beware of scams where bad actors will try to get your child's Robux.

Roblox at School

West Vancouver Schools DOES NOT allow students to access Roblox while using school wifi.



Roblox uses these labels to indicate what type of content is in games.

Content Label	Content Description
Minimal	May contain occasional mild violence, light unrealistic blood, and/or occasional mild fear
Mild	May contain repeated mild violence, heavy unrealistic blood, mild crude humor, and/or repeated mild fear
Moderate	May contain moderate violence, light realistic blood, moderate crude humor, unplayable gambling content, and/or moderate fear
Restricted	May contain strong violence, heavy realistic blood, moderate crude humor, realistic themes, unplayable gambling content, the presence of alcohol, strong language, and/or moderate fear

Users under 9 can only play games labelled Minimal or Mild. However, the content in these games may still be inappropriate for your child.

Only available to 17+ users who have had their age verified

Main Roblox Concerns

- Game play can become addictive. Limit your child's screen time.
- Roblox is a prime location for predators to source victims.
- Roblox collects significant amounts of data from its users. Do you know where the data goes or who it is being shared with?
- Remind your child not to give out personal information - there are lots of scams on Roblox. No names, school or where they live.
- Young players could be exposed to inappropriate language and/or sexualized content that they are not ready for.

If Your Child Has Roblox...

- Make sure you sit with them while they make the account. You can step in at this point and change some of the settings to make it safer - watch [this video](#) for some pointers.
- Enable 2 Factor Authentication - this will help protect from scams.
- Make sure your child knows how to block and report users and content.
- Familiarize yourself with all of the settings and features then talk to your child about safety and your family values and rules.
- Remember, YOU are the adult. If your child is not using Roblox safely, you can take away their device or shut off their data.

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.

June	24	Grade 7 Clap out Dismissal 2:30 Send off for Grade 7 as they leave Westcot
	25	Grade 7 Farewell Ceremony 11:00 am St. David's Last Day for Grade 7
	26	Last day K - 6 Dismissal 12:00 Final Term Learning Updates posted
September	2	Grades 1 - 7 Opening Day 9:00 - 10:00
	3	Kindergarten Opening Day (see gradual Entry information)
	4	All students must be physically back at Westcot to be officially registered for the 2025 - 2026 School Year



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