



# WVSS Information Bulletin

## A Weekly Update of School Information For Parents and Guardians

March 1, 2018

### **WVSS Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting, March 6, 8:30-10:00AM**

Join us at the March General PAC Meeting on **March 6** from **8:30am to 10am** for a newcomer family panel and chance to learn how PAC can support newcomer families in navigating the school and parent involvement. We will hear from 2 newcomer parents who will share their experiences and the PAC Executive will take questions and share resources. Refreshments will be served.

Reports from the Executive will be presented and the budget will be presented for approval. To review the budget, see

<http://westvancouversecondaryschools.ca/westvancouver-secondary/parents/pac-events-projects-and-committees/>

### **Grade 9 Immunizations - Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup> : Authorization Form**

Grade 9 immunizations are scheduled for Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Individualized immunization authorization were mailed home and need to be signed by a parent/guardian and returned to the school so that students can receive these scheduled immunizations. Please contact school nurse Dana Sherman by email at [dana.sherman@vch.ca](mailto:dana.sherman@vch.ca) if you have any questions or did not receive the form.

### **GRADE 10 - SAFE TEEN – Tuesday, March 13th**

On Tuesday, March 13, 2018 **all Grade 10 students** will be participating in a dynamic workshop called *SafeTeen*. *SafeTeen* is an internationally acclaimed Violence Prevention program which has been endorsed by school districts, teachers' federations, psychologists, health professionals and parenting experts world-wide. The workshop will begin at 8:30 am and continue to 11:15 am. Students will be meeting in gender specific groups with facilitators and they will not be attending regular classes.

### **Date Changes for Term 2 Report Cards Online: Have You Initialized Your Account?**

Term 2 Report Cards will be published digitally through the parent portal on March 13<sup>th</sup>. If you have not done so already please see the attached document with instructions on registering your My Ed BC Parent Portal account.

### **McCreary Youth Health Survey 2018**

Prior to Spring Break, approximately twenty classes from grades 8 through 12 will be participating in the McCreary Youth Health Survey. Please visit [http://www.mcs.bc.ca/about\\_the\\_bc\\_ahs](http://www.mcs.bc.ca/about_the_bc_ahs) to learn more about the survey. For your convenience, the Parent Notification letters are available in several languages.

### **THEATRE PRODUCTION: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory**

#### **March 7-9, 7pm at the KAY MEEK THEATRE**

Tickets will be on sale February 21 at lunch in front of the cafeteria or by calling the school to reserve. Get yourself into a sticky-sweet mess of pure imagination! The West Vancouver Secondary School Theatre Company presents their original adaptation of Roald Dahl's classic tale, Charlie and

the Chocolate Factory at the Kay Meek Theatre. This playfully sinister family comedy stays true to what fans love about the story: wacky candy creations, deliciously dangerous misadventures, and of course, oompaloompas. Plus, the show will feature live music inspired by rocknroll hits performed by members of the WVSS rock band program. Travel in a world of our creation...

## **VIVACE! The WVSS Spring Music Concert: Tuesday, March 13, 7 PM, Kay Meek Theatre**

Celebrate the coming of Spring by joining us Tuesday, March 13 for **VIVACE!** - The 2018 WVSS Spring Music Concert featuring the Orchestra, Jazz Band, Concert Band, Chamber Choir and Concert Choir. This will be an evening of excellent music and an opportunity for students in our WVSS music programs to perform the repertoire they have been working on this term. Tickets are \$5 and available to order from students of these programs. Tickets will also be on sale in the Main Office. See you there!

## **Highlander Grad Off to Paralympics**

2017 WVSS Grad **Mollie Jepsen** has been selected by Alpine Canada to represent Canada at the 2018 Paralympic Games in PyeongChang, March 9-18. You can find out more about our 2018 Paralympic Team [HERE](#) You can support Mollie by giving her a vote at Alpine Canada's Ski Racing Awards - <https://alpinecanada.org/awards/voted/athlete/669>

## **School Safety – Student Drop-off & Pick-up**

In recent weeks we have received many calls from parents concerned with the number of cars U-turning in front of the school during Drop-off, Pick-up and throughout the day. We remind drivers to be thoughtful of student safety and be considerate of other drivers during these times.

## **HEY GRADS! Get Your Write-Ups and Baby Photos in the Yearbook Now!**

Grade 12 students are invited to provide a write up that will appear with their photo in the school yearbook. The Yearbook for a student's Grad Year will serve as an important keepsake for life. Deadline for Yearbook grad write-ups is **Tuesday, March 6th**. It's easy to submit a grad write-up. Just click the Google form link below to fill in the sections and submit.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1YKAXM4WsuZ1KJ\\_pW6gQqfDSO2SY94MalSrq63i5fJvA/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1YKAXM4WsuZ1KJ_pW6gQqfDSO2SY94MalSrq63i5fJvA/edit)

\*\*Email your baby photo to: [wvssgrad18@gmail.com](mailto:wvssgrad18@gmail.com). Please include your FIRST NAME, LAST NAME in the subject line of email.

Contact Ms. Zanrosso if you have any questions! [kzanrosso@wvschools.ca](mailto:kzanrosso@wvschools.ca)

## **Order the 2017-2018 WVSS Yearbook!**

Has your child bought a yearbook yet? A Yearbook is a priceless keepsake of the school year that students will value and appreciate having in the future. The Yearbook costs \$50 and can be ordered online. Click the link and [order online directly from Jostens](#). Don't miss out on your chance to get one of this year's books-they sell out quickly!

## **Get Involved at WVSS: Call for Parent/Community Coaches**

We are proud of our diverse and successful Athletics Program. We are looking for enthusiastic parents and/or community members to support our following teams. While past coaching experience is an asset, an interest in working with youth and athletics is most important.

- Grade 8 Spring Football – Assistant Coaches needed. The season runs from April 9 to May 17
- Mountain Biking – Coaches needed. 1 to 2 practices and 5 races from April 3 to May 15
- Senior Girls Soccer – Coaches needed. Practice and game commitment to be determined.
- Junior Boys Football – Coaches needed. Spring Season from June 1 to 15 and fall season beginning August 20

- Badminton – Assistant Coach needed for the Spring Season

Please contact Shawn Anderson [shawnanderson@wvschools.ca](mailto:shawnanderson@wvschools.ca) regarding football and Jo-Anne McKee [jmckee@wvschools.ca](mailto:jmckee@wvschools.ca) for Mountain Biking and Soccer.

## **Useful Links**

[WVSS Website](#)

[WVSS Counselling Page](#)

[WVSS Athletics Website](#)

[West Vancouver Schools District Website](#)

[School District Calendar 2017-18](#)



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