



WVSS Information Bulletin

A Weekly Update of School Information For Parents and Guardians

December 3, 2020

This information bulletin includes several updates for families:

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2. PAC Winter Fundraiser – Update
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1. WVSS Holiday Drive 2020 – Community Support Initiative

WVSS is continuing our Holiday Giving Initiative. This year will look a little different and we are asking for your help. Our Student Council has organized to organizations for WVSS to support this year; Toys for Tots and Stocking Stuffers for Seniors.

Our goal is to fill a bin with Holiday Fun and Kindness in our **First Block** classes!

Ways to give:

1. Drop off cash donations (**until Dec. 18**)
2. For the Christmas Bureau Toy Shop, donate unwrapped new toys (**until Dec. 10**)
3. For Senior Stocking Stuffers, donate new small gifts like *hygiene products*, treats like *chocolate or cookies*, food items like *canned proteins, nuts or teas*, and/or other gifts of care like *socks, slippers*, and mind engaging games like *jigsaw puzzles!* (**until Dec. 15**)

All donations benefit various groups in our North Shore community that need our support and care this holiday season!



2. PAC Winter Fundraiser – Update

PAC would like to send out a HUGE thank you to everyone who participated in our **Winter fundraiser “Upgrade/Modernise the Computer Lab”**. We raised approximately **\$1500**, well done WVSS and thank you for supporting our school!! In addition, we had a family donate **\$1000** to the Computer Lab, THANK YOU!

For those that still need to pick up your orders, please come to the main office in the North campus by Friday.

Please wear a mask, maintain 2 m of physical distance and follow the arrows and signage that will be set up.

3. WVSS PAC General Meeting – All welcome! - Tuesday, December 15, 2020 @ 7:00pm via Zoom

The WVSS PAC invites you to save the date for a general meeting on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 @ 7:00pm. The meeting will include two guest presentations:

Maureen Lee - Building Resilience During the Pandemic
Susan from Sequoia Solutions - Holiday Tree Gift Fundraiser

The Agenda, Zoom link, bios and additional information to follow next week.

4. Grade 7 Into 8 Parent and Guardian Information Meeting: Tuesday, January 12, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Parents and students entering Grade 8 in September 2021 are invited to this information meeting. Please help us pass this information along to other families who may not receive this information directly.

Event Link: [Click Here](#) (Select "Watch on web instead" if you do not have MS Teams)

5. \$25 PAC Optional Donation - School Cash Online

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) would like to thank West Vancouver Secondary School parents who make the annual contribution to WVSS PAC to support your children in both the classroom and in extra-curricular and sporting activities. The 2020/2021 PAC \$25 voluntary contribution will be available **Monday, October 12th** on the **School Cash Online**. Outlined in the attachment is a list of some of the things the PAC supported last year. To allow us to continue with this support this year, please include the \$25 PAC Optional Donation on your School Cash Online fee payment. Your donations enhance your child's school experience in so many ways. Your \$25 PAC donation works alongside the BC Gaming Grant funds that the PAC applies for each year.

For more information please read the following:

- [PAC Optional Donation Information \(English\)](#)
- [PAC Optional Donation Information \(Chinese\)](#)
- [PAC Optional Donation Information \(Farsi\)](#)

6. Counselling Corner: Post Secondary Virtual Visits

Gr. 12's please see your google classroom for the links

- Dec 4th-Carleton University Industrial Design Portfolio Days 10am-12pm
- Dec 5th SFU Preview Day 9am-4pm
- Dec 8th Education & Career Fair 9am-2pm
- Dec 9th-Western University 4pm-5pm, SFU Beedie School of Business Webinar 4pm-4:45pm,
- Dec 9th UVIC Business CO-OP 5pm-6pm, McGill Q & A drop in session 5pm-6pm,
- Dec 9th Grade. 12 Post-Secondary Covid Presentation 7pm-8pm
- Dec 10th-UVIC Science Spotlight, Chemistry, Biochemistry & Microbiology 6:30pm-7:30pm

7. School Cash Online

School fees are available online and we are asking fees to be paid online through School Cash. The direct link to the program is <http://westvancouver.schoolcashionline.com>

All parents/guardians were sent an e-mail with their student's PIN. If you did not receive the e-mail with your child's PIN, please contact [Mrs. Madill](#) so that you can access this program.

8. West Vancouver Seniors' Activity Center: Feed the Need Initiative

The West Vancouver Seniors' Activity Centre has received a matching grant from the West Vancouver Foundation. The Ian and Rosemary Mottershead Fund will match all donations up to \$100,000 to the Food Security Program for vulnerable seniors. Matching donations must be made before December 31, 2020. For more information [click here](#).

9. Stay Informed: Keep Your Address & Contact Information Up to Date!

All Parents and Guardians will receive this e-bulletin by email each Thursday and we hope you will make it part of your routine to browse through it and keep up to date on school information and upcoming events. In addition, the student absence system makes contact daily by telephone to alert parents of unexcused absences. From time to time the school will also send documents and information to homes by regular mail. To ensure that you stay informed in all of these ways, please contact the school office and let us know if you change your email, phone contact information or move to a new address.

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