



WVSS Information Bulletin

A Weekly Update of School Information for Parents and Guardians

December 16, 2021

This information bulletin includes several updates for families:

1. Calendar Updates
2. Christmas Sales
3. International Travel Notice
4. X Block Opportunities
5. Graduation Assessments
6. Grad Photos - Book now!
7. PAC News
8. WVSS Clubs – on the WVSS App

1. Important Calendar Reminder - Early Dismissal tomorrow-Friday Dec 17th at 12:00pm

- **Friday December 17:** Last day before Christmas break. We will have an **early dismissal tomorrow at 12:00pm for all students**. Bowen students will be dismissed at 11:10am. **We wish everyone a happy and safe Holiday break!**
- Tuesday January 4: First day back after Christmas Break
- Monday January 24: Professional Development Day - classes not in session
- Friday January 28: Last day of Semester 1 regular classes

2. Christmas Card Sales

- Holiday Cards Sale – Please see [this attachment](#) for details.

3. International Travel

With international borders opening up families are reminded that **students who are not fully vaccinated cannot attend school for 14 days following their return to Canada**. The child is not required to quarantine but is not allowed to attend school. We encourage all of our families to carefully review the [Canada Border Services](#) information before you make your travel plans. **At this time, full vaccinated students can return to school as long as they have a negative test and their second vaccine at least 2 weeks prior to their return.** All travelers must follow the Canada Border Services requirements and Provincial Health Authority requirements. If you have any questions please contact our principal, Mr. Steve Rauh.

4. X Block Opportunities

Staff and students continue to make excellent use of X Block. As instructional time, it allows for and promotes flexibility in how and where students choose to make the most use of their time. Staff continue to develop, offer and promote opportunities and support that is timely and relevant to their students' learning. We continue to encourage students to plan ahead and use their time wisely. They can:

- Receive academic support from their teachers
- Use the Library for quiet study, reading and more
- Work on their group projects
- Take part in a workshop
- Complete all their homework before they leave for the day
- If students are unsure what to do, they are encouraged to ask their teachers! Staff emails can be found in the West Van App and on our website.

5. Graduation Literacy & Numeracy Assessments: Gr 10 and Gr 12 students

The following is an overview of our Graduation Assessment Schedule for 2021-2022. **Grade 10 students who currently have Math 10 will write Numeracy 10 in January.** Grade 11 students who missed their Literacy 10 or Numeracy 10 assessments will write in either April or June, 2022. Students will be advised by memo of exact date and time. Sample exams, videos and more information can be found here:

Literacy 10: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-literacy-assessment>

Numeracy 10: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-numeracy-assessment>

Literacy 12: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-12-literacy-assessment>

Results:

November Results will be released on January 17; January Results released on March 14th

April results released on June 13; June results released July 31st

Assessment	Class by Semester	Week of Assessment
Grade 10 Numeracy Grade 12 Literacy	Semester 1 - Math 10 Sem 1 & 2 – English 12	January 24-28, 2022
Grade 10 Literacy	Semester 2 - English 10 *Any Grade 11 who has not written	April 25-29, 2022
Grade 12 Literacy	Semester 2 - English 12	April 25-29, 2022
Grade 10 Numeracy	Semester 2 - Math 10	June 13-17, 2022
Rewrites /Missed – All Grad Assessments	All students who missed their assessment or needs to rewrite	June 13-17, 2022

6. Grad Updates

Group Grad Photos: now open for booking on December 17th, 2021 and on January 21st Please see [attached instructions](#) on how to book online. Grad buddy/groups are \$15 per person, per group. Maximum 8 people per group. Only one person per group will need to sign up and pay online. The other people in the group will have to pay the \$15 at the time of appointment and the grads will receive a digital download of their groups. All the sessions are held at Edge Studios, located at 15 Victoria Drive, Vancouver. If you have any questions, please contact Jordan Kirk at jkirk@edgeimaging.ca or **778-899-4116**

Grad Photos – Everyone should have booked their grad photos! Please click on [this attachment](#) for detailed instructions on how to book your photo session online (the website for booking is: <https://www.edgeimaging.ca/en/book-your-grad-session/>) You will be emailed a confirmation!

New! Grade 12 Parents ... Yearbook Editors are looking for information about Grads (Grad Quotes and Baby Photos). Please add what you would like to see in the yearbook to this google form <https://forms.gle/TYoz24KPDdaHgNs9>

7. PAC News

WVSS PAC Winter Fundraisers- Thank you!

The WVSS PAC thanks you for your support of our 2021 winter fundraisers. Our Lions Bay Coffee, Growing Smiles Winter Plants and WestCoast Soapworks skincare fundraisers were a great success. The funds raised will help to support our students and our school. Thank you so much for your support! ~WVSS PAC~

8. Clubs & WVSS APP – get involved today!

See the updated WVSS **Clubs List for 2021-2022** [HERE](#). The **WVSS APP** has the most up to date information on our clubs. In the WVSS APP, go to Groups, click on the “gear” and “subscribe” to get updates from the clubs and teams you are interested in! WVSS app information can be found here: <https://wvss.appazur.com/help/flyer> Here are a few of our highlighted clubs this week:

The Multicultural Club is looking for talents to audition for the Asian New Year 2022 concert!!! Singing, dancing, juggling, instrumental, you name it, we’re interested. Sign up by checking out our Instagram page: @wvssmulticultural. Deadline is December 10th.

GENERAL REMINDERS:

Health and Safety Guidelines: Masks & Daily Health Check

Students, staff and all visitors are required to wear masks while in our school building. Please make sure the **daily health check** is done and your child does not enter the building when symptomatic. The daily health check can be found [here](#) . As a reminder, all visitors must first sign in at the South or North Campus office. For additional information on public health services for youth please visit the school health manual online at: <http://www.vch.ca/public-health/children-youth-schools/school-health/north-shore-school-health-manual>

Attendance Notices: Email us at wvss@wvschools.ca

We are asking that student absences be communicated through email (wvss@wvschools.ca) where possible. This will allow staff to enter absences into the system faster. Please email wvss@wvschools.ca. If this is not possible, please call: 604-981-1100.

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and upcoming events. To see previous bulletins, please see our website, under publications <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/westvancouver-secondary/about-wvss/school-news-publications/>

Our Student absence system will make daily contact by telephone or email to alert parents of unexcused absences. Occasionally, we do send documents and information to homes by regular mail. To ensure that you stay informed in all of these ways, please email the school office at wvss@wvschools.ca and let us know if you change your email, phone contact information or move to a new address.

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