



# WVSS Information Bulletin

A Weekly Update of School Information for Parents and Guardian

**February 2, 2023**

*This information bulletin includes several updates for families:*

1. WVSS Theatre Co “As if! A Clueless Makeover or Whatever” February 8-10
2. Grad Updates: Baby pics and Grad writes and more!
3. 2022-23 Yearbook For Sale
4. Graduation Assessments
5. WVS Carpentry Program: Youth Train in Trades
6. Parents as Education and Career Coaches - March 8<sup>th</sup>
7. PAC updates
8. Community Remodners

## **Important Calendar Reminders**

**Friday Feb 3: Grad Write ups and Baby Pics are due**

**Monday & Tuesday Feb 6 & 7:** Grad Photo retakes/ Missed photos

**Wed & Thursday Feb 8 & 9:** Grad Group / Buddy Photos

**Wednesday, Feb. 8 - 10:** WVSS Theatre presents “As if! A Clueless Makeover or Whatever”

**Thursday, Feb. 9:** Semester 1 Report Cards posted on-line

**Friday, Feb. 17: DISTRICT READING BREAK – School Closed**

**Monday, Feb. 20: BC FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY– School Closed**

**Friday, Feb. 24:** Grads Cap and Gown order deadline

**Monday, Feb. 27:** Informal Progress Report posted

**Thursday, March 2:** Linear Reports Posted

**Tuesday, March 7:** Parent/Teacher Conferences – On-Line

**Wednesday, March 8:** WVSS Spring Concert – 7:00pm– Kay Meek

**Wednesday, March 8:** Parents as Education & Career Coaches – 6:30 pm, online

**Monday, March 13 – Friday, March 24: SPRING BREAK**

**Thursday, March 30:** WV Zone Concert – 7:00pm – Kay Meek

## **1. WVSS Theatre Co Presents “As If! A Clueless Makeover or Whatever”**

**February 8-10** at the KMC Studio Theatre! Sixteen-year-old matchmaker and socialite, Cher, knows that navigating friendship and romance is fraught. Especially when she's surrounded by clueless people who desperately need her help. Based on Amy Heckerling's classic 90s rom-com *CLUELESS* (which was based on Jane Austen's 1815 novel *Emma*), the WVSS Theatre Company's coming-of-age adaptation *AS IF!* promises comedy, romance, great music and fashion, and overall spectacle! Some mature content, viewer discretion is advised. See the [“As If” poster](#) for all the colourful details!

\$15 tickets on sale Feb. 1st. Available during lunch in front of the cafeteria and at the door before the show. Reservations also available by calling the school.

## **2. Grad Updates: Grad Write Ups & Baby Pics Due Tomorrow!**

### **Grad Write Ups and Baby Pictures: DUE: Feb 3 (tomorrow!)**

Grad Write Ups for the Yearbook and Baby Pictures DUE on Feb 3rd on the Google Form given in grads' CLC class or can be found here: <https://forms.gle/NxKvhdRQUP7fqafi7>

### **Grad Group/Buddy Photos – Location: 15 Victoria Drive, Vancouver**

**February 8<sup>th</sup> and possible 9<sup>th</sup> only. No individual grad photos will be taken on these days.** Edge Imaging is hosting a graduate group/duddy photo day at our Vancouver studio. The photos are \$15 per person, per group. Payments will be taken at the studio before your appointment time. We can take cash, card, or cheque. Only one person per group needs to sign up and this person will receive an email with the digital download of all images for their group. A maximum of 8 people per group, no exceptions. Please arrive 15 minutes early for your appointment time. Late arrivals will not be photographed due to the time constraints. We are looking forward to seeing you and your friend groups for some fun and memorable photos! Please sign up by going to [bookmygrad.ca](http://bookmygrad.ca), using the QR code posted on the posters at your school, or by using this direct link: [Edge Imaging | Booking Your Appointment](#)

### **Grad Photos: Retakes and Missed Photos – Location: 15 Victoria Drive, Vancouver**

**February 6 and 7 only** Edge Imaging offers a multitude of backgrounds, posing, and props in our custom Vancouver studio. Please wear your favorite outfit. We encourage you to bring any personal accessories such as sporting equipment, musical instruments, etc. to commemorate this special milestone. For the formal grad portrait sittings Edge Imaging will provide the gowns, sash, and cap. Gentlemen, please wear a dress shirt and tie. Ladies, please wear a mandarin collar or a V-neck. Please take note that the gown colour is black, and the sash colour is red. Please sign up by going to [bookmygrad.ca](http://bookmygrad.ca), using the QR code posted on the posters at your school, or by using this direct link: [Edge Imaging | Booking Your Appointment](#)

**Grads: Cap and Gown – order deadline is FRIDAY February 24<sup>th</sup>** Grads: order your cap and gown today through your CLC google classroom. <https://forms.gle/jZNugXKqC6jBkyZU9>

## **3. Yearbook – a message from our Yearbook class!**

Parents! We're sure you remember your high school days, but especially cherish the stories, photos, and fun that are captured in your yearbooks. High school at WVSS is a special time in your children's lives, full of self-discovery and learning, and this edition of the yearbook had the added feature of being modelled on the yearbooks of the 90's —there is an awesome retro feel to every page. Buy your student the best reminder of their special time at WVSS. You can get your copy today through [School Cash Online](#). And for all proud grad parents, remind your students to think upon their yearbook quote, the submission deadline is nearing fast!

#### **4. Graduation Assessments**

**Literacy 12:** Any Grade 12 student who did not write the Literacy 12 Graduation assessment in January will be registered to write April 24-28. We anticipate the results from Literacy 12 in early April. Any student wishing to re-write should inform the office or email Ms. Kong [hkong@wvschools.ca](mailto:hkong@wvschools.ca).

**Literacy 10:** All Grade 10 students will write the Literacy 10 Graduation assessment April 24-28. More information as to date and time will be sent to student and parent emails.

**Numeracy 10:** Students who wrote Numeracy 10 in November can see their results in the family portal. Results of all grad assessments are found in the Family Portal under "Family Tab". The Family Portal link can be found here: <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspden/logon.do>. Need support with your family portal account? Please email us at [wvssportalhelp@wvschools.ca](mailto:wvssportalhelp@wvschools.ca)

#### **5. 2023-2024 CARPENTRY: YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES APPLICATIONS OPEN**

The West Van School District's Carpentry: Youth Train in Trades is for students who are keenly interested in acquiring industry recognized skills and certification in carpentry, construction and related trades. By completing this program students receive 16 credits (4 courses) towards high school graduation, in addition to Level 1 Carpentry Training. Students learn lifelong skills, participate in work experience, and have the opportunity to learn right on the job site!

To learn more about the program [visit this site](#) and to [apply click here](#). If you have any questions, email Parnaz Kashani: [pkashani@wvschools.ca](mailto:pkashani@wvschools.ca) & Akina Weitzel: [Aweitzel@wvschools.ca](mailto:Aweitzel@wvschools.ca)

#### **6. Parents as Education and Career Coaches – March 8, 6:30pm**

Please join Education Planner BC and WVS for a virtual evening of "Parents as Education and Career Coaches". This information will be especially helpful for families with students in Grades 10-12. Wednesday, March 8th 6:30 - 8 pm, Hosted on Teams. Contact WVS post-secondary advisor, Leesa Alldred [lalldred@wvschools.ca](mailto:lalldred@wvschools.ca) for any questions. See [this Poster](#) to register!

#### **7. PAC Updates: Optional Donation**

The 2022/2023 PAC voluntary contribution is available on School Cash Online. There is an option to choose one of three donation amounts: \$25, \$50, or \$75. Please see [this attachment](#) ([Mandarin version](#) & [Farsi version](#)) for a list of some of the things the PAC supported last year, as well as some

further details. To allow us to continue with this support this year, please include the PAC Optional Donation on your School Cash Online fee.

## COMMUNITY UPDATES

### Youth & Vaping: Information, Considerations, Impacts

Thursday February 9, 2023 7-9pm at Handsworth Secondary North Vancouver. Free parent community conversation with two keynote speakers Dr. Milan Khara and Lindsay Macdonald. More information can be found [here](#) . Please register at <https://youth-vaping.eventbrite.com>.

### Public Health Resources for Families

Please see the following attachments from our public health nurse: [Vaccine Catch-Up Poster](#) - where families can receive immunizations in the community. [Sick Children and School handout.](#) Please see [Poster 1](#) and [Poster 2](#) for information on the new dental benefit program for families of children under the age of 12 years.

### Spring West Van Little League Baseball! Registration NOW OPEN!

Spend your Spring playing West Van Little League baseball. Kids ages 5-16 are invited to play and all experience levels are welcome. It's a great way to develop new skills while having fun with old and new friends in the community. Registration is open [wvll.ca](http://wvll.ca).

## GENERAL REMINDERS

### Attendance Notices: Email [wvss@wvschools.ca](mailto:wvss@wvschools.ca)

We are asking that student absences be communicated through email where possible. This will allow for staff to enter absences into the system faster. Please email [wvss@wvschools.ca](mailto:wvss@wvschools.ca). If this is not possible, please call the school office at 604-981-1100. All student absences must be excused by a parent or guardian. Students not feeling well must report to the office before leaving the school.

### District Policies and Procedures Release Form: Please Complete 1 Per Child

All Parents (except for international students' families/ homestays) are required to complete a West Van District Policy and Procedures online release form for each of their children. For students to participate in field trips, and other activities, this form MUST be completed. **Parents and Guardians - Please [CLICK HERE](#) to access this form and complete as soon as possible.** Questions, please contact [wvss@wvschools.ca](mailto:wvss@wvschools.ca) or call 604-981-1100.

### School Fees – Online as of October 24

WVSS school fees will be available for payment through School Cash Online. If you have any questions about school fees or using [School Cash Online](#) please reach out to Jenny Madill at [jmadill@wvschools.ca](mailto:jmadill@wvschools.ca) or call 604-981-1100.

## **Stay Informed: Keep Your Address & Contact Information Up to Date!**

All Parents and Guardians will be emailed this e-bulletin weekly to keep you up to date with our school information and upcoming events. 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 these ways, please email the school office at [wvss@wvschools.ca](mailto:wvss@wvschools.ca) and let us know if you change your email, phone contact information or move to a new address.

## **Student Parking**

Students wishing to park in the WVSS student parking lot must complete a registration form and obtain a parking decal both of which can be found in the main office. Please note that there is a cost of \$10.00. Please see Ms. Madill in the office or at [jmadill@wvschools.ca](mailto:jmadill@wvschools.ca) with any questions.

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