



WEST VANCOUVER SECONDARY = E-BULLETIN

A Weekly Update of School Information for Parents and Guardians September 26, 2024

NEW UPDATES:

1. WVSS PAC Fundraiser

REMINDERS:

- 2. S.A.L.T.S. Trip 2025 Deadline to apply is Sept. 27!
- 3. D-Day & Liberation Tour of Europe 2025
- 4. Grade 8 Rugby
- 5. Safe Drop off at South Campus
- 6. Policy & Procedures
- 7. Personal Digital Devices

Calendar Reminders

September 26: Collaboration Day - Classes start at 9:30am

Friday Sept 27: Orange Shirt Day at WVSS – Wear Orange!

Monday Sept 30: Truth and Reconciliation Day – Classes not in session

October 9: Grade 9 Immunization

October 10: Clubs Day Extravaganza!

October 14: Happy Thanksgiving! Classes not in session



1.WVSS PAC FUNDRAISER:

We have added a fundraising campaign this year that runs throughout the year with Tru Earth. Please use the link to place your order:

https://tru-earth.sjv.io/westvancouversecondaryschoolpac

Simply enter the code FALL30 at checkout to receive 30% off your entire order (excluding Bundles and Subscriptions). Don't miss this limited-time offer—shop and save while supporting your cause! Your fundraiser will earn 20% on every sale made through your Tru Earth fundraising link.

2. S.A.L.T.S. Trip

Ahoy! We are pleased to share that WVSD is organizing a sailing and experiential learning opportunity aboard a tall ship with S.A.L.T.S. in May 2025! This adventure will be available to all grade 9-12 students across the district. Students will enjoy challenging and rewarding activities, from plotting navigational routes to exploring the biology of our coastal intertidal zone. Join the Google Classroom for more information (code: ym4riq2). See you there!

The deadline to sign up is Friday, Sept. 27! It's fast approaching so don't miss out!

3. D-Day and Liberation Tour of Europe 2025

The WVSS Social Studies department has planned an exciting learning opportunity for students in Grade 10-12 from April 24-May 5, 2025, and **there are still a few spots remaining!**

May 2025 marks the 80th anniversary of the liberation of the Netherlands by Canadian forces in WWII. The trip will follow in the footsteps of Canadian soldiers who were instrumental in the success of the liberation of Europe from Nazi occupation. The tour begins in London, followed by travel by sea from Portsmouth to Normandy, France, where students will visit significant historical sites such as Dieppe, Juno beach, and Dunkirk, while staying in the coastal town of Honfleur. They will then travel to Bruges, Belgium and finish in the Netherlands, visiting sites such as the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam and the Airborne Museum in Arnhem. Students will take part in a ceremony recognizing the Canadian contribution to Dutch liberation on May 4th, 2025. The tour also includes visits to popular sites such as Buckingham Palace, Camden Market and the canals of Amsterdam.

If you are interested in receiving more information, please contact Dr. Christine Paget at cpaget@wvschools.ca or Trevor Stead at tstead@wvschools.ca. You can also have your child join our Google Classroom using classroom code: nsrt6a7



4. Grade 8 Rugby

West Vancouver Highlanders would like to invite your child to join the school rugby team for a fun season of rugby this fall. **No experience is necessary** and for those who have never played a contact sport, we will ease them into developing contact skills. We believe that participating in school sports like rugby is such a good way to involve students in the West Vancouver community and make new friends.

Our practices will be Monday - Thursday from 3:00-4:10pm. Please join the Google class aluqk4i and meet us on the grass field in the south campus after school.

5. South Campus Drop Off / Pick Up:

Attention Parents: We have seen many families doing 10 point turns at the "top" of 17th where the construction fence stops access to parking/lower campus. This is very unsafe and not permitted! Please drop your child off safely along Inglewood between 17th and Sinclair Street. **Do not** enter the school property from Inglewood. Thank you for your consideration.

6. Policy & Procedure Form:

ACTION ITEM: Due ASAP - District Policies & Procedures Form - All Parents MUST complete a West Vancouver District Policy and Procedures online release form for each of their children within the district: Policies and Procedures Form | West Vancouver Schools

Questions, please contact Ms. Avotins at wvss@wvschools.ca



7. Personal Digital Devices:

Reminder: Cell phones are not permitted during instructional time. **FIT is instructional time** and therefore cell phones are not allowed during FIT.

Parents: please refrain from contacting your child during the school day. If it's an emergency, contact the school office.

When can students use cell phones?	When can students NOT use cell phones?
 ➢ Before school ➢ Between classes ➢ Lunch ➢ After school 	 FIT time In class without permission Washrooms Changerooms Assemblies/Presentations

GENERAL REMINDERS Stay Informed:

Keep Your Address & Contact Information Up to Date!