



WEST VANCOUVER SECONDARY  E-BULLETIN

## WVSS is an IB World School



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**December 4, 2025**

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### **Important Dates & Calendar Reminders**

- **Tues. Nov. 25 - Dec. 6th:** Grad Photos - see below for more information
  - **Mon. Dec. 15:** Wonderville Evening Show | **5:30pm** | Kay Meek Theatre
  - **Tues. Dec. 16:** Wonderville at WVSS | 8:40am-2:40pm
  - **Mon. Dec. 22 - Jan. 2nd:** School closed for Winter Break
  - **Mon. Jan. 5:** School opens (Regular Day 1- 1,2,3,4)
  - **Tues. Jan. 6:** Grade 7-8 Parent Information Night | 6:30pm | Kay Meek Theatre
  - **Mon. Jan. 12-14:** Grade 10 Literacy 10 Graduation Assessments
  - **Mon. Jan. 19-22:** Grade 12 Literacy 12 Graduation Assessments
  - **Mon. Jan. 19:** I.B. Information Meeting | 7:00pm | Kay Meek Theatre
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## **NEW UPDATES**

### **WVSS Performing Arts Presents: WONDERVILLE '25 Concert**

**Monday, December 15, 5:30 PM, Kay Meek Grosvenor Theatre**

Please mark your calendar for Monday, December 15 for WONDERVILLE '25 - our annual festive concert before the winter break! (Please note the start time has changed from previous communication).

**5:30pm Part 1:** Groups performing are: Grade 8 Band, Intermediate Concert Band, Senior Concert Band and Orchestra.

**7:00pm Part 2:** Groups performing are the Concert and Chamber Choirs, the Dance Program, Jazz Band and Rock Band.

**Fine Arts and Applied Skills:** Guests can also view examples of student work from the Fine Arts and Applied skills programs that will be on display in the Kay Meek Lobby. This is always a popular show so get your tickets early.

**Tickets are \$5** and available from teachers (Mr. Daudlin, Ms. Fulla, Ms. Fulton, Mr. Mee) and at the main office starting next week. Tickets will also be available at the door of the show before each half. See you there!

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## **REMINDERS**



### **CHRISTMAS INITIATIVES**



#### **1. Winter Clothing Drive**

**Do you have clothes or care items you no longer need?** Students, teachers, and parents are invited to support our winter **Clothing Drive** beginning on **November 23**. Please check the [list](#) for accepted items.

Donations can be dropped off in homeroom boxes from **Nov 23–Dec 8**, at our main station in **C233**. All items will be donated to the Lookout Society, supporting shelters and people experiencing homelessness.

Thank you for helping us make a positive impact across the North Shore and beyond!

## 2. North Shore Harvest Project

WVSS Gives! We are supporting the **North Shore Harvest Project** again this holiday and are asking students to donate Food Goods and Cash/Grocery Store Gift Cards: [Donate - Harvest Project](#)

Items are collected in student **Homeroms (1-2)** with Student Council in partnership with The Good Guys Club appreciating all your support for this meaningful spreading of Christmas cheer! This time of year is full of family, gratitude and, of course, giving.

### 2025 MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

Canned Fruit and Fruit Cups Jams & Spreads (No Peanut Butter) Cookies, Crackers Coffee (1lb pack ground) Flour, Sugar, Salt, Pepper (All 1-2lb packs maximum) Oil, Vinegar (500ml) Soup Broth / Bouillon Rice (1lb bags) Shampoo Conditioner Toilet Paper Feminine Hygiene Products Dish Soap Laundry Soap Dishwasher Soap

Any questions and/or additional support please email [Jo-Anne Mckee](#) or [Jennifer Towers](#) (on behalf of the Student Council).

## 3. Holiday Hampers - Grade 8 Initiative

Grade 8 students and families! Our Senior Mentors are leading this year's **Holiday Hamper Campaign**. If your family is able, please consider donating an item from the list linked here: [Grade 8 Holiday Hampers 2025](#)

### Where to drop off gifts?

- **Gifts for either family:** Please place them in the decorated, labelled bins in either the North or South Campus offices.
- **Gift cards:** Please write the amount on the card and hand it directly to **Ms. Krieger** or **Ms. Avotins**.

**Deadline to bring in gifts: Monday, December 15**

**Festive Gift-Wrapping Lunch Hour: Wednesday, December 17** with Grade 8 volunteers and Senior Mentors. Stay tuned for details on how to get involved!



*Thank you, in advance, to the WVSS Community, for your help and support in making the holiday season that much brighter for everyone! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!*

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## Term 1 Learning Updates

The learning updates were posted on Friday, November 28.

### Family Portal Important Notes:

- Please be sure to logon to your **MyEd Family Portal** account so that you can access upcoming learning updates and other published reports. This will ensure you will be able to see your child's learning update when it is posted.
  - Family Portal Link: [MyEducation BC](#)
  - Logging-In Quick Guide: [Logging-In-Quick-Guide-Family \(1\).pdf](#)
  - MyED BC Parent Portal Tutorial [Parent Portal Tutorial](#)
  - Username/Password/Recovery – Please record your username and password. Furthermore, confirm you have set up your 'password recovery' function to allow you to reset your own password. [Log In/Password Recovery How To Video](#)
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## Grad Photos

**Grads! Don't miss out on your photos!** Edge Imaging team is excited to be photographing the grads at West Vancouver Secondary this year. Limited appointments are available so please book your appointment early to get the best possible time for you.

Please arrive 10 minutes early for your appointment time. Formal Portraits ---Personal lifestyle photos will be available if you wish in addition to the traditional grad portraits. 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. Traditional Portraits --- For the traditional 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.

**Here is the link for the in-studio days: November 25<sup>th</sup> - December 6th.**

[Edge Imaging | Booking Your Appointment](#)

Please note that the address of the studio is 15 Victoria Dr, Vancouver. Due to a recent increase in crime in the downtown area, students are advised not to travel there alone.

**Here is the link for the two in school (WVSS Cafeteria) photo days: December 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>.**

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## **Athletics:**

**Winter Sports season is in full swing!** \*Updated team lists and practice/game schedules are posted in the Main Athletics Board between the New and Old Gyms. Student athletes should check it regularly. Information may also be found in the school announcements and @wvss\_athletics Insta

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## **Graduation Assessment Dates**

Please note that these Graduation Assessments are **required for graduation purposes**.

**Parents/Guardians:** Please avoid booking appointments during school hours during these assessment dates as they can only be completed during designated ministry time slots. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Ms. Frith at Sofia Frith

**January 12-14, 2026:** Grade 10 students write the *Literacy 10* assessment.

**January 19-22, 2026:** Grade 12 students write the *Literacy 12* assessment.

**June 8–12, 2026:** Grade 10 students write the *Numeracy 10* assessment.

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## **2026-2027 Admissions**

**Admissions for the 2026-2027 school year are open for all Kindergarten students and all Grade 1 –12 In-catchment students.** Admissions for Out-of-Catchment and Out-of-District students opens at 8:00am on Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026. For more information about admissions processes, dates, guidelines, and information, please visit [Admissions | West Vancouver Schools](#)

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## Clubs 2025-2026

There are 65 clubs to choose from! Sign up in the coming weeks and join a group of students with similar interests to yours! [CLUBS 2025-26](#)

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## Collaboration Time 2025-26

Please note that classes begin at **9:30am** on Collaboration Days. **Next Collaboration date is January 29, 2026**

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## Optional Accident Insurance for Families

West Vancouver Schools reminds families each year that personal injury or accident costs are not covered by the district or its insurance provider. To help protect against expenses from accidental injury, unexpected medical costs, or critical illness, families have the option to purchase voluntary accident insurance plans. A variety of providers offer different levels of coverage, so families are encouraged to review their options carefully and choose a plan that best meets their needs.

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## WVSS APP

Students and families can use our WVSS APP to see their daily schedule, see a map of the school, obtain school announcements, see all calendar events and so much more!

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## Google Calendar Link

The WVSS google calendar for students includes the days (regular, FIT, Collab and the block rotation) plus significant student events. If you would like to subscribe to this calendar, please follow this - [WVSS Student Calendar](#) and add it to your Google calendar. If you'd like to open it in Outlook or other applications, use [WVSS Student Calendar](#)

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## Attendance Notices

**Student absences** should be communicated through email at

**West Vancouver Secondary School**

- ★ 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.
- ★ If students are unwell during the day, they must report to the office before leaving the school.

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## Extended Absence Forms

This is a reminder to families that if a student is missing 4 or more days due to an extended absence, they must have this [Extended Absence Form](#) completed and signed by all their teachers and an administrator. Copies are available for pick up at the north campus and south campus offices. Thank you for your attention to this.

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## SMS for Parents/Guardians

Option to receive text message for school emergencies or other important alerts: Part of the SD45 communication system allows families to opt into receiving important information additionally by text. For parents/guardians who would like to be notified of a school emergency such as power outages, severe weather or safety alerts via SMS **please text a "Y" or "Yes" to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.**

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## PAC News and Parent Education

### WVSS PAC Update



### PAC Donation - School Cash Online

The 2025/2026 **Optional PAC Contribution** is available on School Cash Online. You have the option to choose one of three donation amounts: \$25, \$50, or \$75. You can contribute more than once and at any time throughout the year!

Please see this link, [PDF PAC Optional Donation 2025-26.pdf](#), which highlights some of the things the PAC supported last year, as well as some further details.

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## Parents guide to Social Media and Digital Devices:

[Parents Guide to Social Media and Digital Devices](#)

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## Physical Activity and Physical Literacy: Children and Youth Ages 5-17


For detailed information, please see the link [HERE](#)

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## **Additional Notices**

- **Safe Driving Around WVSS:**
    - Parents and students are reminded to drive **safely and legally** around campus. Please avoid U-turns, speeding, and stopping in the middle of the road for drop-offs.
  - **Homestay Families Needed:**
    - WVSS is looking for families to host international students. If interested, contact **Homestay Coordinator** or visit [West Vancouver Schools International](#)
  - **Community Connections and Events:**
    - Stay engaged with the community by visiting [Community Connections and Events](#)
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## **Useful Links**

 **Reporting Absences/Lates:** West Vancouver Secondary School

 **WVSS Website:** [West Vancouver Secondary School](#)

 **Counselling Page:** [West Vancouver Counselling](#)

 **Athletics Website:** [Athletics](#)

 **West Vancouver School District:** [West Vancouver Schools](#)

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***Please keep your contact information up to date to receive important school updates.***