

THE WESTWIND WAVES NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to Kindergarten: A Wonderful Morning of Discovery and Connection

We were delighted to welcome the newest members of our school community at our recent Welcome to Kindergarten event. Students and their families spent the morning exploring a variety of hands-on activities. The experience was filled with curiosity, creativity, and the excitement of new beginnings.

Families had the opportunity to meet staff, connect with one another, and get a feel for the warm, welcoming environment their children will soon be part of. We truly enjoyed sharing this special morning together and are thrilled to welcome these young learners and their families into our school community in September.





ZONE TRACK MEET 2026

This year's Zone Track Meet shone brightly as a celebration of student spirit and school community. With a brand-new format, our students stepped into the day with excitement, curiosity, and a willingness to embrace something different. Their enthusiasm for participating in each rotation, trying new events, and competing in the areas they chose, made the day truly special.

We are incredibly proud of our Westwind students for their openness, positive attitudes, and courage they brought to each activity. A heartfelt thank-you goes out to our dedicated Westwind staff who worked tirelessly to make this event meaningful and successful for every student. Their care and commitment is felt by our entire community. Way to go Waves!





Jurassic Park Sports Day: A Dino-Mite Community Celebration

Get ready for one of the most exciting days of the year, Sports Day!

This year's theme is Jurassic Park! Students are invited to be creative with the theme, dress in their team colour, and to decorate their bikes or scooters for what promises to be a fun-filled event. The day will kick off with a bike parade, followed by a rotation of games, challenges, and activities. There will also be a preschool race! All are welcome to share in the big day.

Our four colour groups voted for their favourite Team Name today and these are the final results:

- Yellow Prehistoric Chickens
- Red Raptors
- Blue Barnies
- Green Yoshis

We can't wait to see our field transformed into a prehistoric playground. Let the adventure begin!

2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Standard School Calendar and Non-instructional days are below.

Please check our website at westwind.sd38.bc.ca for calendar updates and ongoing school events and activities and follow us on Instagram: @westwindwaves

Tuesday, September 8	First Day of School
Friday, September 25	Professional Development Day (School Not in Session)
Wednesday, September 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day (School Not in Session)
Monday, October 12	Thanksgiving Day Holiday
Wed. Oct. 21 & Thurs. Oct. 22	Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal at 1:45pm)
Friday, October 23	Professional Development Day (School Not in Session)
Wednesday, November 11	Remembrance Day
Friday, November 27	Professional Development Day (School Not in Session)
Friday, December 18	Last day of School before Winter Break
Mon. Dec 21 to Fri. Jan 1	Winter Break
Monday, January 4	School Reopens after Winter Break
Friday, January 25	Professional Development Day (School Not in Session)
Wed. Feb. 10 & Thurs. Feb. 11	Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal at 1:45pm)
Friday, February 12	Professional Development Day (School Not in Session)
Monday, February 15	BC Family Day Holiday
Thursday, March 11	Last day of School before Spring Break
Friday, March 12	Day Off in Lieu of Good Friday
Mon. Mar 15 – Fri. Mar 26	Spring Break (including Good Friday on March 26)
Monday, March 29	Easter Monday Holiday
Tuesday, March 30	School Reopens after Spring Break
Friday, May 21	Professional Development Day (School Not in Session)
Monday, May 24	Victoria Day Holiday
Tuesday, June 29	Last Day of School for Students
Wednesday, June 30	Administrative Day



SCHOOL NOTES

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent or late, please phone the Early Warning phone number to leave a message (we cannot accept text messages at this time).

**EARLY WARNING VOICE MAIL:
604-668-6498**



Students who arrive late are asked to please sign in at the office upon arrival.

HEALTH CHECK: SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?



We appreciate your support in keeping your child home when they are not feeling well. If they have been vomiting, have had diarrhea or a fever, the recommendation from Vancouver Coastal Health is that they should be free of these symptoms for 24-48 hours before returning to school.

If your child is not feeling well, please continue to keep them home until their symptoms have resolved.

SCHOOL HOURS

Welcome Bell - 8:40am
Morning classes begin - 8:45am
Recess - 10:10-10:25am
Lunch (eat first) - 11:50-12:42pm
Students dismissed / parent pick up - 2:45pm

STUDENTS LEAVING EARLY

When possible, please send a note in your child's agenda and/or email your child's teacher in advance with the time your child needs to leave.

Classrooms are busy places and we request that you please allow enough time for your child to gather their belongings, walk down to the office and sign out.

As a courtesy to your child's teacher and classmates, if possible, please have your child leave at a natural break (recess at 10:10am or lunchtime at 11:50am) to limit disruptions to our learning environment.

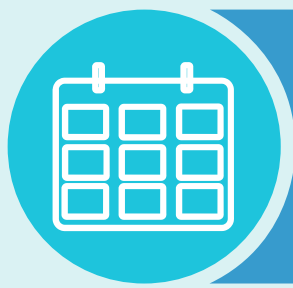
Thank you for your consideration.

PARKING LOT GUIDELINES

Your continued cooperation and attention to our important parking lot guidelines has been appreciated. Click [HERE](#) for a link to these guidelines.

We are asking now for drivers to please slow down in our parking lot.





Important Dates 2025-2026

MAY

Asian Heritage Month & Jewish Heritage Month

27: Grade 7 Fun Day @ SLSS

28: Spirit Day - Multiples Day

29: Grade 7 Fun Day @ McMath

JUNE

Filipino Heritage, Italian Heritage & Portugese Heritage Month

National Indigenous History Month

5: Sports Day

9: Band Performance for Div. 1-6 Families @ 1:15pm

12: Sports Day Rainout Day

18: Year-End Assembly @ 10:30 am

21: National Indigenous Peoples' Day

23: Grade 7 Farewell Assembly

23: Spirit Day: Formal Day

25: Year-End Summary of Learning Published on MyEd

25: Last Day of School for Students

26: Administrative Day, School Not in Session



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