

# THE WESTWIND WAVES NEWSLETTER

June 13, 2025

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## Final Countdown!

What a great Sports Day we had last Friday! A huge thank you to our amazing Sports Day Committee members: Mrs. Hayre, Ms. Brulhart, Ms. Nunn, Mr. McLeod, Mr. D'Avignon, Mrs. Carswell, Mrs. Chum, Mr. Victoria and our dedicated Grade 7 students who helped plan and organize fun station activities for another successful day together. Thank you to all for showing great Westwind spirit!

We're now looking ahead to two important events:

1. **Year-End Assembly on June 20th:** This gathering gives us a chance to celebrate our achievements, recognize the outstanding efforts of our student leaders, and say a heartfelt goodbye to staff who are leaving. The gym doors will open at 10:30am and the assembly will start at 10:45am. Hope to see you there!
1. **Grade 7 Farewell Assembly on June 26<sup>th</sup>:** This assembly will allow us to celebrate our Grade 7s before they move on to high School. Grade 7 families, save this date on your calendars... more details coming soon!

*We will  
miss  
you*

We will be giving fond farewells to the following Waves staff...

Ms. Hannah Calvert  
Ms. Louisa Chan  
Ms. Meinan Hao  
Ms. Silvia Miles  
Ms. Megan Moorehead  
Ms. Sharon Ng  
Ms. Kirsten Wilshire

... and a special send off to our special retirees:  
Mrs. Gail Chies  
Mrs. Servjit Hayre

We wish them all the best for the future!!



# SPORTS DAY 2025



## Bike Parade Champions 2025

Aqua Avengers - Wyatt & Reiko  
Golden Waves - Sophia W  
Great Red Sharks - Kendall & Sloan M  
Green Snapping Turtles - James S





# Principal and Vice-Principal for the Day

At the PAC Parent Dance, one lucky family bid on and won the “Principal for the Day” prize, which led to Principal London and Vice-Principal Hudson taking on the challenge of running the school last week! The eager admin team started the day with morning announcements, attended meetings, introduced the Band at **two** assemblies, and awarded popsicle treats to the winners of the Walk and Roll Wednesday contest. What a day! Congratulations to both students for being great leaders that day!



LIBRARY



**Library books are due back to Ms. Nunn today! Please return any books you might still have on Monday morning.**



## ***Signing in to the MyEducation Parent Portal Summary of Learning***

**Your child's Summary of Learning will be published in your MyEducation Parent Portal at the end of the day on Thursday, June 26.** The MyEd Parent Portal is used to view and access these updates. A quick link is available on our school website, as well as instructions on how to register for and access the MyEd Parent Portal. NOW is the time to try to log on to troubleshoot any issues before our Learning Updates are published in just a few weeks!

### **PARENT TECH SUPPORT**

If you need tech support with your MyEd Parent Portal account, please email the SD#38 parent tech help desk: [myedparentportal@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:myedparentportal@sd38.bc.ca)



Learning updates are  
only available on MyEd  
for a limited time.

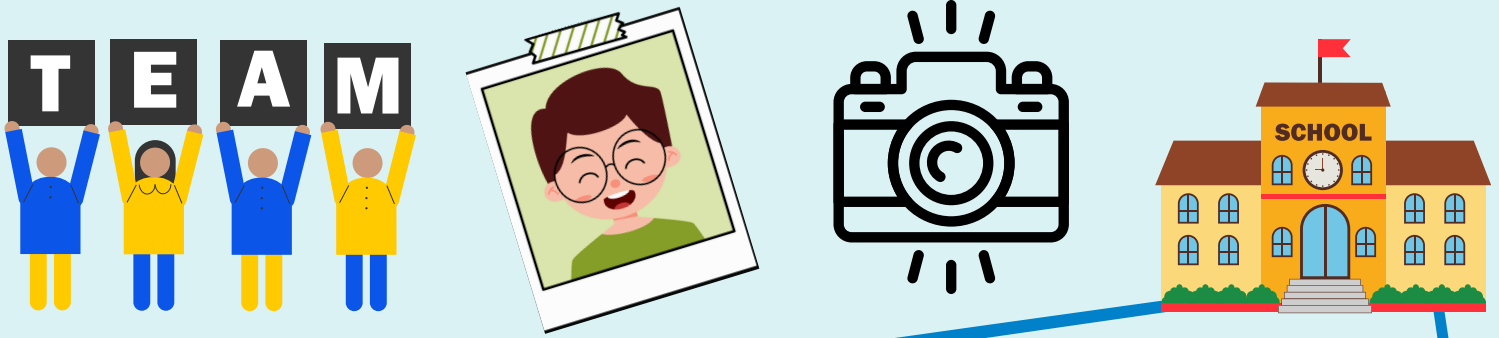
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save to your computer  
for future use.

## **NOTICE OF LATE RETURN – SEPTEMBER 2025**

Notice of Late Return Form 2025/2026 has to be completed and submitted to our office if your child(ren) will return to school **LATER THAN 12:00pm Wednesday, September 3, 2025, and ON or BEFORE September 10, 2025.** Please complete this form (attached and also found on our website) and return to the office before June 20, 2025.

Please attach a letter that contains an explanation of the **extenuating circumstances** for returning late in September.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ABSENCES AT THE START OF THE SCHOOL YEAR MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF PLACEMENT, AND YOUR CHILD(REN) MAY NEED TO ATTEND ANOTHER SCHOOL UPON RETURN.



## School Team Photos available here:

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## School Panorama photo available here:

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## SCHOOL NOTES

### 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.

### 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. Please make sure all caregivers in your household are aware of these guidelines.

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

### 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.

*As part of our ongoing efforts to keep students safe, we kindly remind all families to follow school zone and street parking rules at all times. Please be especially mindful during busy school hours. Drive cautiously, obey all posted signs, and avoid unsafe maneuvers — U-turns are generally illegal unless specifically permitted by a sign.*

*Thank you for your continued support and for helping us keep our school community safe.*





# IMPORTANT!

The Ministry of Education school calendar regulation requires the following information be made available to every parent of a student in our school.

## **DAILY SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

Welcome Bell - 8:40am  
Classes begin (attendance) - 8:45am  
Recess - 10:10-10:25am  
Lunch - 11:50-12:42pm  
Students dismissed - 2:45pm

## **REPORTING DATES 2025-2026**

Term 1 - Thursday, December 18, 2025  
Term 2 - Tuesday, April 23, 2026  
Term 3 - Thursday, June 25, 2026

## **OFFICE HOURS**

8:00am-4:00pm

Please see the next page for our 2025-2026 Non-Instructional and Early Dismissal days (some dates have been corrected and added).



# 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Standard School Calendar and Non-instructional days are below. Please check our website for calendar updates and ongoing school events and activities, and follow us on Instagram.

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Tuesday, September 2	First Day of School
Monday, September 22	Professional Development Day
Tuesday, September 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
Monday, October 13	Thanksgiving Day
Wed, Oct. 22 & Thurs, Oct. 23	Early Dismissal for Learning Updates (1:45pm)
Friday, October 24	Provincial Professional Development Day
Monday, November 11	Remembrance Day
Monday, December 1	Professional Development Day
Thursday, December 18	Learning Update #1 Published on MyEd
Mon, Dec 22 to Fri, Jan 2	Winter Vacation
Monday, January 5	Return to School
Monday, January 26	Professional Development Day
Wed, Feb. 11 & Thurs, Feb. 12	Early Dismissal for Learning Updates (1:45pm)
Friday, February 13	District-Wide Professional Development Day
Monday, February 16	Family Day
Mon, Mar 16 to Fri, Mar 27	Spring Vacation
Monday, March 30	Return to School
Friday, April 3	Good Friday
Monday, April 6	Easter Monday
Thursday, April 23	Learning Update #2 Published on MyEd
Friday, May 15	Non-Instructional Day
Monday, May 18	Victoria Day
Thursday, June 25	Last Day of School for Students
Thursday, June 25	Summary of Learning Published on MyEd
Friday, June 26	Summer Vacation Begins



# Significant Dates in our Community

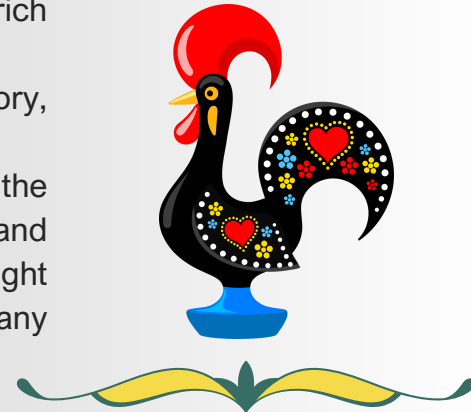


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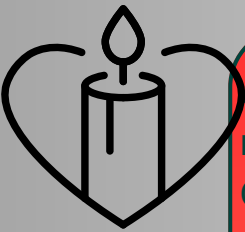
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**Pride Season Begins** Pride Season is a unifying term that refers to the period between June and September when 2SLGBTQ+ communities and allies come together at different times throughout the summer to spotlight the resilience, talent, and contributions of 2SLGBTQ+ communities in many Canadian cities.



**June 16: Guru Arjan Martyrdom** is A Sikh day of remembrance.

**June 21: National Indigenous Peoples' Day** is day to recognize the history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in Canada.



**June 23: National Day of Remembrance for the Victims of Terrorism** In memory of those who have lost their lives through acts of terror in Canada and around the world. The day was chosen to coincide with the anniversary of the Air India Flight 182 tragedy.

**June 24: St. Jean-Baptiste Day** - This day has roots in the Roman Catholic faith, but has shifted to be a day of celebrating French-Canadian heritage. In Canada, nearly 10 million people speak French. On Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day and the National Day of Quebec, Francophones across the country show their pride by celebrating their language and their traditions.

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HAPPY  
NEW  
HIJRI YEAR

**June 26: Islamic New Year**, also known as the Hijri New Year, marks the start of the first month of the Islamic lunar calendar.



**June 27: Canadian Multiculturalism Day** is a federally recognized day to discover and appreciate the wealth and diversity of Canadian society.






## IMPORTANT DATES 2024-2025

- June 20: Year-End Assembly
- June 26: Grade 7 Farewell Assembly  
*More info coming home soon! Grade 7 families,  
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- June 26: Summary of Learning Published on MyEd
- June 26: Last Day of School for Students



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*At Westwind, we show kindness to self, others and place.*

