



Important Calendar Dates

Jan 14-17	Grade 6's to Cheakamus Center
Jan 15	Black Excellence Day
Jan 16	Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) Kindergarten Hearing Screening
Jan 24	School-Based Professional Day – No School
Jan 27	Family Literacy Day
Jan 29	Lunar New Year

Attendance

Attendance – Is your student leaving early, arriving late, or going to be absent? A reminder to families to please let the classroom teacher **AND** Capilano Office know of your child's absence by using one of the following methods:

- 1.) Using the [SafeArrival](#) system
- 2.) Calling (604) 903-3370, press '2' at any time to reach the absent line ***leaving a message is the preferred method when calling, as the office is extra busy in the mornings during attendance.**

Please provide the first and last name of your student, grade, and division, if known. **It is important to let both the office (using 2 methods above) and the classroom teacher know (by email) of any absences, late arrivals, or early departures.** Our school website (staff top tab) is updated with all of the current divisions and classroom teacher emails.

We ask that ALL visitors and parents come to the OFFICE to check-in regarding your visit to the school. For students' safety all other doors are locked before, during and after school.

STUDENTS ARRIVING LATE – If your student is late, please have them come to the office and sign in.

STUDENTS LEAVING EARLY – If you need to pick your child up early, please come to the office to sign your student out, and the office will call the classroom so the student can come down.

*Students must be picked up by individuals on their safe pick-up list (you provided this information on the Student Information Verification Form in the September Package), and cannot leave the school grounds by themselves between the hours of 8:45am – 3pm.

❄️ Winter Weather ❄️

As we enter the winter months, please familiarize yourself with the school district's [Winter Weather procedures](#). In the rare event of a school district-wide closure, the closure will be communicated via multiple channels, inclusive of Metro Vancouver media stations, school district and school website, SchoolMessenger notification for families, and communication to staff.

Student safety is of the highest priority and a shared responsibility. Families may choose to make alternate arrangements if they do not feel it is safe to travel to school during inclement weather. It is recommended families establish an emergency plan for potential school closures, delayed start times, or early dismissals.

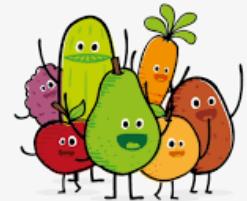
Dressing for the Weather



Please make sure your child/children are dressed appropriately for outside play. Students will be outside at lunch and recess **rain** or shine or **snow**. It is helpful for them to have an extra set of clothes at the school.

Extra Snacks and Water

We have noticed many children coming by the office to ask for extra snacks, as they are still hungry after eating their lunches. We kindly request that families add extra snack items in lunch kits. **Please remember to pack a water bottle and utensils too!**





Weekly Reminders – January 10th, 2025

Happy New Year!

Welcome back! We hope you had a great winter break and are ready for another term of events and activities!

Don't miss out on the amazing [PAC After School Programs](#) this term. **Now is the time to register** if you haven't already. These programs need more registrants in order to run. If you require financial assistance please visit the [Helping Hand Fund](#).

It's also not too late to order [Hot Lunch](#) for the rest of the term.

Here are some important PAC reminders for next week:

Important Dates:

- **January 14:** PAC Meeting – Capilano Elementary School Library 7 – 8 pm
- **PAC After School Program Term 2 Start Dates:**
 - BrainSTEM Academy – January 13
 - Lights Up Musical Theatre – January 7
 - Sports Explorers – January 15
 - Yoho Explorer Youth Academy – January 15
 - Paper Crow Creative – January 16
 - Tiger's Eye Karate – January 17
 - Method of Modern Movement – January 17

For any further information or inquiries, reach out to our dedicated team or visit [Capilano PAC's website](#), or follow us on [Facebook](#).

