

Parent News

Week of April 18, 2022

MONDAY, April 18, 2022

- Easter Monday - No school

TUESDAY, April 19, 2022

- Hub cycling for Grade 4/5 students

WEDNESDAY, April 20, 2022

- PAC mtg 7pm virtually on Zoom

THURSDAY, April 21, 2022

- Fire drill
- Red Fox Active Play 3:00-4:30

FRIDAY, April 22, 2022

- Earth Day



COMING UP

- **April 25:** Hub Cycling for Gr 4/5 students
- **April 25:** Rise Up 3:00-4:00 Gr 3-5 students
- **April 28:** Red Fox Active Play 3:00-4:30
- **April 28:** National Day of Mourning
- **May 2:** Rise Up 3:00-4:00 Gr 3-5 students
- **May 3:** Collaboration Day – Early Dismissal @ 12:24
- **May 5:** Red Fox Active Play 3:00-4:30
- **May 9:** Rise Up 3:00-4:00 Gr 3-5 students
- **May 12:** Red Fox Active Play 3:00-4:30
- **May 13:** Fire drill
- **May 16:** Rise Up 3:00-4:00 Gr 3-5 students
- **May 19:** Red Fox Active Play 3:00-4:30
- **May 20:** Non-instructional Day – no school

BELL SCHEDULE

- 8:50 a.m. Welcome Bell
- 8:55 a.m. Instruction
- 10:25 a.m. Recess
- 10:40 a.m. Instruction
- 12:24 p.m. Lunch
- 1:10 p.m. Instruction
- 3:00 p.m. Dismissal



2021-2022 SCHOOL GOAL

Our school goal this year is to build positive and caring relationships that strengthen school climate.

FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Westminster Schools recognizes and acknowledges the Qayqayt First Nation, as well as all the Coast Salish peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.



START TIME AND LUNCH UPDATE

Happy to announce we will be going back to our original bell schedule as of Monday, April 11th. We will no longer be having a staggered start time. The first bell is at 8:50am with the dismissal bell being at 3:00pm. Recess is still from 10:25 – 10:40 and lunch will be from 12:24 – 1:10 with all students eating at 12:24pm.



2022-23 BUDGET CONSULTATION

At New Westminster Schools, we're working on building our 2022-23 budget informed by the priorities set in our five-year strategic plan that was introduced in 2019. We want to know if you think we're on track. Please click on the link below to fill out the budget survey.

<https://forms.office.com/r/EiPEeVptpT>



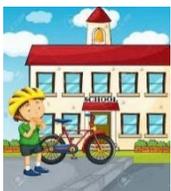
HOMESTAY FAMILY INFORMATION SESSION New Westminster Secondary School Grand Commons May 3rd, From 7:00 PM

Is your family interested in hosting a boy or girl in September for one semester or one year? The International Program requires host families for students ages 15 to 17. An information session will be held on Tuesday, May 3rd from 7:00 to 8:00PM. There will be current host families, current students as well as international education staff to answer all your questions. There will be prizes, coffee and of course donuts! Please preregister at iep@sd40.bc.ca. As well, you can call 604.517.6285 for more information.



WALK BYS

If you are walking by the school and would like to see your child(ren) please check in at the office instead of calling them from the street during school hours. We want to make sure that all our children are practicing safe strategies when outdoors on school grounds.



BIKE TO SCHOOL WEEK

Bike to School Week - Bike to School Week is happening from **May 30 to June 3**. Let's take this opportunity to encourage everyone to ride to school instead of driving.

	<p style="text-align: center;">PAC FUNDRAISER – GROWING SMILES</p> <p>Spring is in the air “finally!” Just look at what all that snow did to our once beautiful gardens, patios, porches. It’s time to roll up our sleeves and devote some time to the beauty of outside. We are happy to announce that we are running our spring Growing Smiles Fundraiser. Just enter the link below and happy shopping. The fundraiser runs from now till April 16th. Pick up will be Saturday April 30th. The time will be confirmed when final orders have been placed.</p> <p>https://lordtweedsmuir.growingsmilesfundraising.com/</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">REMINDER – UPCOMING SCHOOL CLOSURES</p> <p>School is closed on Monday April 18th for Easter Monday. We look forward to seeing the students again on Tuesday, April 19th.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">HOW TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL</p> <p>If you need to contact the school to let us know that your child(ren) will be absent you can either call the school at 604-517-6070 or email us at lordtweedsmuir@sd40.bc.ca.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">RAPID ANTIGEN TEST KITS</p> <p>This is a reminder to please make sure to pick up your child(ren)’s Rapid Antigen Test kits from the office. The kits will be handed out to an adult/guardian.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">LATE ARRIVALS</p> <p>If your child is arriving late to school, please bring them to the main office. Please do not bring them to their regular point of entry.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">WEATHER CHANGES</p> <p>Please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for the rainy weather. We always try to have the students enjoy outdoor recess and lunch as much as possible and the right outerwear makes a much more pleasant play time.</p> <p>Sending along a change of clothing (to keep in the classroom) is welcomed by teachers for those inevitable days when clothing gets wet and dry socks and pants are needed.</p>

LOST AND FOUND

- Please take a close look and collect anything that belongs to your child(ren). Thank you!
- Please mark your child's coats with their first name and initial so we can trace the owner quickly. This would help immensely in keeping our collection to a minimum.



