



Newsletter

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Message from the Admin Team

It seems like yesterday we were welcoming students back to school and now the month of December is upon us. It has been an action packed first term with many exciting learning activities and events taking place both in and out of the classroom. Please take a look at the December calendar below because it is going to be very busy month!

December 2022						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27 Field Hockey	28	29	30	1 CSL Written Update #1 Goes Home	3
3	4	5	6	7 Hanukkah Begins 	8 Spirit Day *Don't forget to wear red and festive headwear	9
10	11	12 PAC Winter Fair 3-7pm 	13	14 Pizza Order Cut-off	15 Spirit Day *Don't forget to wear a festive sweater Hanukkah Ends	16
17	18 Choir Concert 5:30-7:30pm	19 Winter Musical 2:15pm 	20 Winter Musical 9:15am 	21 Pizza Day PAC Meeting *6:30pm in the library	22 Spirit Day *Don't forget to wear your PJs PJ Dance Party 11am-12pm	23
24	25 Christmas Day	26 Kwanzaa Begins Boxing Day	27 Winter Break Students not in attendance	28	29	30 New Year's Eve

January 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 New Year's Eve	1 Kwanzaa Ends New Year's Day	2	3 Winter Break Students not in attendance	4	5	6
7	8 School Re-opens					

Food and Clothing Holiday Support

If your child(ren) and/or family could benefit from support with accessing food and clothing this holiday season, please let us know so we can help. All requests for support will be treated as private information and will only be shared with staff who need to know. You can let us know if your family would benefit from support by emailing the school principal (srondestvedt@vsb.bc.ca) and letting us know what you need help with.

December Spirit Days


Every Friday in the month of December we will be encouraging staff and students to join us in some special spirit days! On Friday, December 8 staff, and students are encouraged to wear red and festive headwear (headbands, hats, etc.). On Friday, December 15 staff, and students are encouraged to wear festive shirts/sweaters. And finally on Friday, December 22 staff, and students are encouraged to wear their PJs! There will also be a PJ dance party in the gym between recess and lunch with Dance PL3Y for all classes.

Bring on the Snow! Winter Musical

This hilarious variety show is chock-full of one-liners, wintertime puns, and even a few knock-knock jokes! Silly skits include a pair of wisecracking reindeer, a snowflake ballet class, "Freeze-Whiz" (everyone's favourite game show), and a directionally challenged family of geese. All classes will be participating in this 30-minute musical performed in the gym. There will be an **afternoon performance on Wednesday, December 20th from 2:15pm-3:00pm** and a **morning performance on Thursday, December 21st from 9:15am-10:00am**. Seating will be first come first serve with doors opening 15 minutes before the performance begins. *Please note we will have 9 pairs of reserved front row seats available in the silent auction at the Winter Fair for parents to bid on!



Candy Cane Sale!

Hello Hudson Parents, we would like to inform you that Division 2 will be selling candy canes to raise money for new technology at Hudson! It would be great if you  help us out. The candy canes will be sold starting November 30th until December 14th for \$2 each on SchoolCash Online. If you are feeling a bit generous, please donate extra. Thank you for your help and support!

-The Students of Division 2

It's Cold Outside! Rain or Shine We're Playing Outside



Our outdoor play is proving to be fun with students developing creative games during their breaks and getting lots of fresh air and exercise. The wet weather does encourage splashing in puddles along with the occasional slips and falls resulting in muddy clothes. Please send a set of clothes, including underwear, socks, and an extra pair of shoes (labelled in a bag) for your child to keep in their cubby in the event they require a change of clothes. With the colder and wetter days, it is important for students to be dressed warmly and appropriately. Rain jackets and warmer clothing are a “must have” for our “rain or shine” outside days. Please send your child to school with the appropriate outdoor clothing each day.

Communicating Student Learning Written Updates

Communicating Student Learning (CSL) written updates will be sent home at the end of the day on Friday, December 1st. Your child's progress report will include descriptive written comments addressing:

- Student learning strengths
- Areas for growth
- Ways to support learning

In addition, there will be a Student Competency Scale (your child's progress in relation to the grade-level expectations):

- EMERGING to acquire knowledge, skills, strategies, and processes
- DEVELOPING the ability to apply knowledge, skills, strategies, and processes
- PROFICIENT knowledge, skills, strategies, and processes consistently
- EXTENDING knowledge, skills, strategies, and processes creatively and strategically

We encourage parents to take an active part in giving feedback, setting goals, and supporting their child in their learning. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the classroom teacher directly.

School Closure Information

***Please do not call the school or media outlets to see if schools are open. Listen to a radio station, watch a local TV station and/or check the VSB website.** Information regarding school closures in the event of snow or other emergency situations, will be provided to the following local media stations by 6:00 am on the morning of the closure.

- CKNW (980 AM)
- CBC (690 AM, 105.7 FM)
- CJVB (1470 AM)
- CFHG (96.1 FM)
- CKWX (1130 AM)
- BCTV/Global (Cable channel 11)
- City TV (Cable channel 13)

In addition, information on snow closures will be available online at <https://www.vsb.bc.ca>



Field Hockey



This is Field Hockey *Vancouver Hawks Schools Program*

Dear Henry Hudson Elementary Parents and Guardians,

The [Vancouver Hawks](#) are very excited to be coming to Henry Hudson Elementary, the week of November 27th, to teach Field Hockey to your children.

Field Hockey is one of the most played sports in the world but often an unknown sport to many in Canada. The Vancouver Hawks is a non-profit, community club that believes that all children should have the opportunity to learn new sports and be inspired by our amazing coaches.

Your child will learn the fundamentals of Field Hockey, watch a skills demo and hear the individual sport stories of our University and National team players and coaches.

We know it will be a fun week for your children, as our coaches share their love of field hockey and movement. If you have never seen the sport of field hockey before here is a short intro [video](#) about the sport.

If your child is interested in playing Field Hockey outside of school, the Vancouver Hawks have an extensive [Junior program](#) for boys and girls (U5-U18). All levels are welcome to join at any age. The main season runs in the Spring, April to June. Spring **2024 registration opened on November 15th**. Please visit our website: www.vancouverhawks.com for all the details.

The Vancouver Hawks and KidSport Vancouver want to ensure that all children have access to our programs. KidSport Vancouver provides grants to help cover the costs of registration fees so that all kids aged 18 and under in Vancouver can play a season of sport. For more information go to [Home - KidSport Vancouver \(kidsportcanada.ca\)](http://kidsportcanada.ca). Financial assistance is also available through the Vancouver Hawks. Please contact info@vancouverhawks.com for assistance.

We look forward to our week with your school!

Sincerely,

Stephanie Nesbitt
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Vancouver Hawks Field Hockey Club
www.vancouverhawks.com



PAC Information

The next Parent Advisory Council meeting will be on **Thursday, December 21st at 6:30pm** in-person in the library and the focus of this meeting will be fundraising. All Hudson parents/guardians are welcome! There will be babysitting available as well as pizza, coffee, and tea. Please check the PAC website for more information on updates. [hudsonpac.ca](https://www.hudsonpac.ca)

Hudson PAC Winter Fair

Do you have items that you want to RE-GIFT?

The KIDS MARKET is a “SHOP” for the students to purchase gifts for their parents and other family members. In the past, parents have really loved seeing what their children have picked out for them. We have received many kid-friendly items and would love to see adult-friendly items, as well.

Suggested items to donate to the “Market”:

1. Specialty Teas/Coffees
2. Bath Products
3. Lotions
4. Ornaments
5. Candles
6. Ties
7. Unused Gift Cards
8. Chocolates or Other Treats
9. Home Decor Items
10. Gloves/Hats
11. Books
12. Any gift you’ve received in the past and haven’t used!

We have collected \$5000.00 in AMAZING SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE PRIZES! Items have been generously donated by such local businesses as Vessi, Sundays Furniture, Nightingale Restaurant, Melanie Auld Jewellery, Pyrrha Jewellery, Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, Cafe Au Clay, Antisocial Skate Shop, Okanagan Estates Wine Cellars, Cycle Collective, and many, many more. Make sure to invite your friends, family, and neighbours. Tickets are attractively priced and anyone can win!



Volunteers are still needed for help decorate, man the activity booths, sell raffle tickets the day of the Winter Fair.

Thanks!
Angela

