



# Newsletter

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With the month of November comes the beginning of our rainy season. Please see message below about helping your child dress appropriately for the weather. Also, we could really use some help with parents walking their children around the building to the inner courtyard instead of cutting through the foyer in front of the office. This is becoming a heavy traffic area and causing some congestion in front of the office, making it difficult for Miss Jelena and Miss Ida to answer the phones and help families.

November 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3 Daylight Savings Turn clock back 1 hour	4	5 Immunizations (K & Gr. 6)	6 Photo Retake Day	7	8 Indigenous Veterans Day	9
10	11 Remembrance Day Students not in attendance	12	13	14 Grey Cup Festival 12-3pm	15	16
17	18	19	20 *Pizza Day cutoff in SchoolCash	21 PAC Meeting 6:30pm in Library	22 Professional Development Day Students not in attendance	23
24	25	26 Bollywood Dance Workshops	27 Bollywood Dance Workshops Pizza Day 	28 Bollywood Dance Workshops	29	30

# Photo Retake Day

Photo retake day will be on **Wednesday, November 6** for any students who missed photo day in October or who would like a retake.

# Dressing for the Weather

At Hudson, students are outside for ALL recesses. It is important that students dress for the weather. This includes having jackets, water-proof gear, and boots when it rains, and sun protection for sunny days. Please try to send your child with their weather appropriate gear when they come to school to avoid calling the office to arrange for delivery to your child throughout the day. Some teachers will ask students to have two pairs of shoes and a change of clothes at school.

# Kindergarten Registration



## Kindergarten registration for children born in 2020 begins on November 1

All kindergarten applicants are required to complete an online application for their English catchment elementary school. This includes families who wish to apply for District Choice programs (Early French Immersion, Montessori, Indigenous Focus School, Early Mandarin Bilingual, Nootka Fine Arts) and/or make a cross-boundary application to attend a non-catchment school. The priority registration period for kindergarten opens on **November 1** and closes on **January 31**. Students who submit an online application within this priority period will be accommodated before late applicants.

Applying for kindergarten is a **2-step process**:

**Step 1:** Online Application (ApplyNow)

- Completion of an online application form (<https://applynow.vsb.bc.ca/>) school year **2025-26**

**Step 2:** Verification of documentation

- Contact your English catchment school office to set up an appointment your supporting documentation
- Bring supporting documentation to your English catchment school during your scheduled appointment

Supporting documents needed:

1. Proof of residence in Vancouver
2. Child's birth certificate
3. Immigration documentation (if applicable)
4. Immunization records
5. Court orders/documents (if applicable)



1 Apply Online

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2 Visit your catchment school with necessary documents

If you want to apply for a District Choice Program or cross boundary, you must **first apply to your English catchment elementary school**. District Choice Programs and cross boundary applications will be accepted in early 2025. For more information, go to: [govsb.ca/kchoice](https://govsb.ca/kchoice) and [govsb.ca/crossboundary](https://govsb.ca/crossboundary)

In the event there are more in-catchment applicants than available space\* at the school, the following process will be used to prioritize enrolment:

### Kindergarten Applications Received Between November 1 and January 31

1. **In-catchment** kindergarten applicants with siblings in attendance at the school (and who will be attending next year) will be placed first.
2. The names of all other in-catchment registrants will be entered into a **random draw** for the remaining kindergarten spaces.
3. Students who cannot be accommodated will be placed on a waitlist in the order in which their name was drawn.
4. Between January 31 and the second Friday in June students on the ordered waitlist will be accommodated as space becomes available.
5. In the event there are more in-catchment registrants than can be accommodated at either catchment site, students will be placed at a neighbouring school until space becomes available.

### Kindergarten Registrations Received AFTER January 31<sup>st</sup>

In-catchment kindergarten students who apply **after** January 31 will be accommodated if there is space. If there is no space, their names will be added to the bottom of the existing waitlist.

**Note:** There will be **no priority** given to registrants with siblings if they register after January 31.

In the event there are more in-catchment registrants than can be accommodated at either catchment site, students will be placed at a neighbouring school until space becomes available.

For more information on kindergarten registration visit the VSB website: [govsb.ca/kindergarten](https://govsb.ca/kindergarten)

\* Available Space includes physical capacity, resources, staffing, or educational programs available or planned for a school as defined by the District (Administrative Procedure 300).

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# Henry Hudson Parent Advisory Council Info

## Next PAC Meeting

The next PAC will be held on **Thursday, November 21** from 6:30pm to 8pm in the school library. All parents are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. Children are welcome and babysitting will be provided by Petit Cafe. We look forward to seeing you all there!

## Mitchell's Soup Fundraiser

Family and friends can place an order directly through our link and orders will be distributed after the campaign is over. All orders will be fulfilled by the winter break for those looking to purchase as gifts for the holiday season. The campaign will run from October 9 - November 15. 35% of each sale goes directly to the Henry Hudson PAC. Please see attached flyer and QR code.



Our link is: <https://raise.mitchellssoupco.com/henryhudson elementary/henryhudson elementaryf24>