

#### Westview Elementary School

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#### Bulletin for Thursday, February 4, 2016

#### **Important Reminders!**

Friday, February 5 - District Professional Development Day - Students do not attend.

Saturday, February 6 - Free Movie (Poster below)

Monday, February 8 - Family Day Statutory Holiday. School is closed.

Thursday, February 11 - The We Club hot chocolate & cookie sale was a great success. We raised \$132 for the North Shore Syrian Refugee Fund. Thanks for your participation in this event! Since the event was so popular, we will be having a "strawberry milk & valentine cookie" sale in the front foyer at 8:30am on Thursday, Feb. 11th. As before, the drinks & cookies are \$1 each. Proceeds will go toward the Cross Our Paws Animal Rescue.

Westview PAC event CAKE BINGO at 6:30pm (Flyer Below)

Monday, February 15 - 'Sounds Good' - A Practical Workshop for Parents Helping their Child Use New Speech Sounds. (Details below)

Monday, February 22 - Jesse Miller Student Presentation (Details below)

Tuesday, February 23 - Jesse Miller Parent Presentation at 6pm. (Details below)

Westview School's Kindness Project was mentioned in the Superintendent's Blog. For a link to Superintendent John Lewis' blog visit <a href="http://www.blog44.ca/superintendent/">http://www.blog44.ca/superintendent/</a>

Children with speech problems (articulation or phonological) benefit immensely from regular home practice in order to help the new motor/muscle skills they are acquiring become automatic.

If you have ever asked yourself the following questions...

- "My son can imitate the sound so why doesn't he just use it?"
- -"Isn't having help at school enough?"
- -"What can we do to make practice time more interesting?"
- -"With her academic homework and other activities, how can we fit in one more thing?"

If you would like some background information about the challenges of speech development plus wish to try out some new ideas and techniques to make helping your child both more enjoyable and effective we invite you to attend

#### "Sounds Good"

A Practical Workshop for Parents Helping
Their Child Use New Speech Sounds
Offered by SD#44 Speech Language Pathologists, Phyllis Ferguson and Nicky Braund.

### Monday, February 15 Westview School 7:45pm

Please register for this free workshop by calling (604) 903-3590 or by emailing <a href="mailto:pferguson@sd44.ca">pferguson@sd44.ca</a> to leave your name and contact information. Please feel free to invite others such as your child's grandparents and caregivers or the parents of pre-school children for whom this might be of interest.

**Important:** If fewer than 6 people have registered for the event by noon of the previous day, the event will be cancelled. <u>In the event of cancellation, all who have registered will be contacted.</u>

#### CAKE BINGO NIGHT



### Thursday February 11, 2016 at 6:30 in the Gym at Westview. To All Students and Families of Westview:

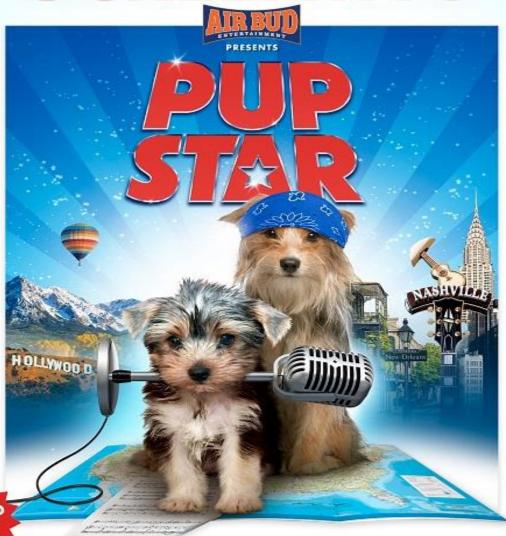
We will be holding a Cake Bingo on Thursday, February 11th at 6:30 p.m. We would appreciate donations of cakes, pies or cupcakes to make this a fun event with lots of cakes to win. You can bake a cake or buy a cake, pie or cupcakes and drop it off at Westview the morning of February 11<sup>th</sup> or after school, or bring the cake with you when you come to play. Doors open at 6:15 pm. Bingo begins at 6:30 pm. Bring your nickels, dimes or small tokens to use as Bingo markers.

Bingo cards will cost \$2.00 for 1 card or 3 cards for \$5.00. Thank you very much for your support. Westview Parent Advisory Committee



| Bring your Loonies and Toonies for Raffle Surprises!   |          |
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| Please return to the Westview PAC Box across from the office.  Yes, I will donate a cake, pie or cupcakes for cake Thursday, February 11, 2016 | bingo on |
| Student's Name:  |          |

# FREE MOVIE, POP & POPCORN! SCREENING



FEBRUARY 6TH 2016 at 12:30 PM

#### EXCLUSIVE QUESTIONNAIRE AFTER THE SHOW

SEND FEEDBACK DIRECTLY TO THE FILMMAKERS!

Families with children between the ages of 4 - 10

SEATING IS LIMITED

LANDMARK CINEMAS 6 ESPLANADE
200 West Esplanade
North Vancouver

**RSVP** Required

email: hdavies@airbud.com

phone: 604.873.9739 Ext. 200

DOORS OPEN AT 11:30AM

When: <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 23 @ 6pm</u>
What: <u>a PAC presentation by JESSE MILLER</u>
Who: <u>For all parents and caregivers</u>

## "Change your approach to Social Media" Social Media and Mobile Communications has changed the world - Are you keeping up?

As social media has embedded into our society, the trends and trials of online sharing have entered many different learning environments causing positivity for some and chaos for others.

Presentations designed for schools by Jesse Miller over the past 6 years have shaped how students use and communicate over social media websites and applications with the sole purpose of producing smart, aware and ethical social media participants who communicate an effective and positive message and build an online reputation that will help students into the next stages of life.

The parent event, Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm, will address the current climate of social media concerns in British Columbia but specific to our North Shore community, the presentation will highlight usage trends, mobile tech behaviours, techniques to introduce positive usage behaviours, and parenting tips to address the tech concerns within the home and from peer groups. After, parents can remain and attend the PAC meeting.

The presentations for each group of children taking place on **Monday, February 22**, will cover the themes of digital citizenship, internet safety and awareness specifically to social media, online video content, texting, and online gaming.

The Grade 4/5 presentation will not introduce the topics until the students volunteer their literacy with questions that are designed to assess their understanding and usage of mobile and static technologies.

The Grade 6/7 presentation will mimic the presentation seen by students in Grade 8 at the NVSD secondary schools - it will provide options to address their current usage, realities of current concerns and threats, concepts to help introduce appropriate digital citizenship to usage of mobile technology, and health and wellness options for school (study) and home (focus).