



Important Calendar Dates

Jan 24	School-Based Professional Day – No School
Jan 27	Family Literacy Day
Jan 29	Lunar New Year
Feb 10 & 11	Student Led Conferences – 2pm Dismissal
Feb 14	Valentine's Day
Feb 14	District Non-Instructional Day – NO School
Feb 17	BC Family Day Statutory Holiday – NO School

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.

Foundry North Shore Free Virtual Event - Keeping Kids Safe Online

If you are interested, Foundry North Shore is presenting a FREE virtual event for parents and caregivers - Keeping Kids Safe Online - on Wednesday January 29th, from 6:30 - 7:45.

Key Note Speaker, Courtney Liem, from PLEA Community Service, will be delivering a 60-minute presentation designed for parents, caregivers and service providers to learn how to help children/youth stay safe online while using apps, social media, and gaming platforms.

Discussion points will include:

- Overview – discusses and defines different forms of online sexual exploitation, including sextortion and intimate image sharing, as well as red flags of luring and grooming.
- App Literacy – a review of today's most popular apps used by children and youth.
- Practical Conversations - how to talk children and youth about online safety and sexual exploitation.

If you are interested in attending, please follow this link: [Keeping Kids Safe Online Tickets, Wed, Jan 29, 2025 at 6:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

❄️ 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.

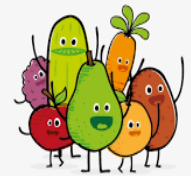
Dressing for the Weather



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 23rd, 2025

If you haven't yet enrolled your student in [FreshSchools](#) please do so ASAP. It is a great way to stay up to date on PAC activities, but if students are not automatically signed up with they start at Capilano. Instructions on how to access FreshSchools are on the [PAC website](#).

Here are some important PAC reminders for next few weeks:

Important Dates:

- **February 4:** Virtual Anti-Discrimination Workshop for parents and caregivers – a link will be shared closer to the event
- **February 13:** Save the Date – Valentine's Day Dance – Tickets on sale soon!

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