

# Capilano Elementary

Weekly Reminders – January 25, 2024



## IMPORTANT CAPILANO DATES

### JANUARY

Jan 15-Feb 29	Band and String Registration Open (see below for more information)
Jan 27	Family Literacy Day
Jan 29	School Based Professional Day – Classes not in session

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION



**Important Winter Weather Information** – We highly recommend that learners dress for the weather (**i.e. hats, gloves, scarves, winter coats and boots**) and keep an extra set of clothes at the school. Since we learn in North Vancouver, we go out on most days, so it is important to ensure we are ready for rain and/or snow.



Please take a few moments to read our [winter weather procedures](#). Weather-related updates will be posted to the school district website. Families: [sign up to receive text message alerts](#) regarding severe weather, power outages and other emergencies. Please check for communications prior to heading to school if it has snowed.

### **Band and Strings Registration - 2024/25 Elementary Band & Strings - Registration Opens January 15, 2024**

Registration for the 2024/25 Elementary Band and Strings program will open on Monday, January 15, 2024. The NVSD public webpage for the [Band and Strings](#) has been updated and now contains the information for the 2024/25 school year.

There are two registration options and fees for 2024/25:

- Registration between January 15 - February 29, 2024 – the fee is \$535 and can be paid through a monthly instalment plan that will be in place until September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Registration between March 11 - September 27, 2024 (Late Registration\*) – the fee will be \$600. No monthly installment plan is available for this option.

\* As noted below, low early registration numbers may impact the Late Registration option.

Families can withdraw their child from the program and receive a FULL refund up to June 14, 2024. After this date, a \$75 fee will be charged.

Applications for bursaries are available, please reach out to the school ([capilano@sd44.ca](mailto:capilano@sd44.ca)) if you require a form.



**Lost and Found** – Missing something? Please visit the **Lost and Found** area in the atrium during the family conferences on February 12 & 13. All items remaining will be donated on February 16<sup>th</sup>.



## LIBRARY INFORMATION

### Family Literacy Day – Saturday, January 27th, 2024

Hello from the library Capilano Families,

This year's theme is **Let's Have a Family Party**. Our hope is that you can find ways to celebrate literacy at home. See below for more details about this event!

Thank you, Ms. Farrell, Teacher-Librarian



### WEEKLY REMINDERS – JAN 25, 2024

#### 1. Hot Lunch:

- Order by midday on Fri, Jan 26 for the following Friday, or the rest of the Term. Get all the delicious details at <https://www.munchalunch.com>!
- Hot Lunch Coordinators Wanted for 2024-2025! After three fantastic years with Virginia and Carla at the helm, we're on the lookout for new Hot Lunch coordinators for the upcoming school year. Don't worry – our vendors handle the heavy lifting, and the streamlined process requires minimal volunteer input. The role mainly involves backend tasks, like student registration, taking about 45 minutes at the term's start and 1.5 hours on Fridays. Interested? Contact the PAC on [CapilanoPAC@gmail.com](mailto:CapilanoPAC@gmail.com).

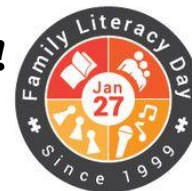
2. **Grade 7 Graduation Fundraiser:** Drop off recyclables at Donaghy or Brooksbank Return-It Depots using code 6049033370 to generate labels. At Brooksbank, scan the label beside the printer before dropping off, and at Donaghy, simply print and drop off—no scanner needed. Your efforts directly contribute to our Grade 7 graduation account.

#### Important Dates:

- Feb 6 – Capilano PAC Meeting.

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

# Family Literacy Day – Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024!



Hello from the library Capilano Families,

In 1999, ABC Life Literacy Canada held its first Family Literacy Day to “raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family” (ABC Life Literacy <https://abclifeliteracy.ca/family-literacy-day/>).

This year’s theme is **Let’s Have a Family Party**. Students will be actively engaged in literacy activities in library during the week before and our hope is that you can find ways to celebrate literacy at home as well.

Stories and texts have the ability to bring us together, develop knowledge and understanding of ourselves and the world around us to become global citizens. Our library unit of inquiry highlights this idea: *Exploring stories and other texts helps us understand ourselves and make connections to others and to the world.*

Looking for ways to celebrate your heritage and promote literacy? Check out these 10 different ways you can learn together. ([ABC Life Literacy Canada](https://abclifeliteracy.ca))

## 10 Tips for Celebrating 25 years of Family Literacy Day

Here are some tips to get your Family Literacy Day celebrations started.

	<p><b>1 Create your own invitations</b></p> <p>Make invitations to your party. They can all be the same or different. Send them to family and friends a few weeks before the big day.</p>	<p><b>2 Decorate your party room</b></p> <p>Draw pictures of your family’s favourite stories, books, and characters. After you colour them, use them as decorations for your party.</p>
<p><b>3 Make yummy party food</b></p> <p>Create a menu filled with fun party foods. Look in cookbooks, online, and talk with family about traditional recipes. Ask family members to help, and make your party foods together.</p>	<p><b>4 Sing and dance</b></p> <p>Make up a song or dance. Make a video while you perform for your party guests and watch it together afterwards.</p>	<p><b>5 Dress-up for your party</b></p> <p>Have fun planning what you’ll wear for the party. Will you dress as your favourite story characters or with a certain theme? Have fun and show off your individual styles!</p>
<p><b>6 Take pictures in your own photo booth</b></p> <p>Create a fun photo area. Gather fun and silly accessories to wear. Make party signs for people to hold. Set up your area with a colourful backdrop created by you!</p>	<p><b>7 Make a toast</b></p> <p>Write a toast to celebrate 25 years of Family Literacy Day and taking time to learn as a family. Your toast can talk about what you love most about learning or about the people at your party.</p>	<p><b>8 Play fun games</b></p> <p>Plan fun party games like BINGO, Go Fish, I Spy, Pictionary, or Memory. You could even make up a new game and teach it to everyone.</p>
<p><b>9 Eat cake to celebrate</b></p> <p>Lots of parties have cake. Bake something yummy as a family. Use a favourite family recipe or find a new one in a cookbook or online.</p>	<p><b>10 Thank your guests</b></p> <p>Everyone loves getting fun mail! Write and send a kind thank you note to each of your guests after the party. Share what you liked best, and make plans for the next get-together.</p>	

In addition, here is a link to an online activity booklet provided by ABC Life Literacy Canada if you are interested. <https://abclifeliteracy.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/FLD-2024-ActivityBook.pdf>

For more information about Family Literacy Day, please contact Mrs. Farrell at [sfarrell@sd44.ca](mailto:sfarrell@sd44.ca) or check out [ABC Life Literacy Canada](https://abclifeliteracy.ca)