

# Upper Lynn e-News

December 17, 2023

## Important Dates & Reminders for the Week of: December 18 to December 22, 2023

Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22
Holiday Sweater Day  Hot Lunch Pizza		Holiday Hat Day  Hot Lunch Orders Close		PJ Day  Last Day Before Winter Holiday

## Upcoming Dates

- Monday December 18 – Holiday Sweater Day
- Monday December 18 – Hot Lunch – Pizza
- Wednesday December 20 – Holiday Hat Day
- Wednesday December 20 – Hot Lunch Ordering Closes
- Friday December 22 – PJ Day
- Friday December 22 – Last Day Before Winter Break
- Monday January 8 – School Reopens
- Monday January 8 – Hot Lunch – Well Fed
- Monday January 8 – International Tour: 1:30
- Friday January 12 – Hot Lunch – Magic Lunch Box
- Monday January 15 – Black Excellence Day
- Monday January 15 – Hot Lunch – Sushi
- Friday January 19 – Hot Lunch – Magic Lunch Box
- Monday January 22 – Hot Lunch – Cobs / TCBY
- Friday January 26 – Hot Lunch – Food Kids
- Monday January 29 – ULE PAC Meeting
- Monday January 29 – Hot Lunch – Well Fed
- Tuesday January 30 – K-3 Winter Concert; 6:30 (New Date)
- Wednesday January 31 – Gr 4 & 5 Winter Concert; 6:30 (New Date)
- Friday February 2 – Hot Lunch – Subway

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## Be a Santa to a Senior 2023 - THANK YOU!

We would like to say an ENORMOUS THANK YOU to everyone who donated items for the "Be a Santa to a Senior" project this year.

We had a record 10 divisions sponsor over 36 elders' "Wish Lists" along with hundreds more who will receive cards and homemade gifts from the classes. AMAZING!

The sponsoring organization, Home Instead, was able to add an entire Seniors' Home to their "gift list" because of Upper Lynn's generosity.

They extended a very grateful "HAPPY HOLIDAYS" to everyone. Thank you for bringing smiles to the most experienced members of our communities!!



## Spirit Wear

The current ordering period for Spirit Wear has ended. We anticipate distributing the items to families during the first week following the break. If you weren't able to place an order this time, rest assured, we'll be accepting new orders in late February or early March.

## Update to Concert Dates

Please update your calendars as we have changed our Winter Concert Dates. We apologize for any inconvenience.

January 23 (Now January 30, 2024)

### Primary Winter Concert

ULE gymnasium; Time: 6:30

Divisions 11-21 and Primary Choir

January 24 (Now January 31, 2024)

### Intermediate Winter Concert

ULE gymnasium; Time: 6:30

Divisions 6-10 and Intermediate Choir

## Lost and Found

Our school currently has an extensive collection of lost and found items. If your child is missing any items, it's highly likely that we have them. We have accumulated a considerable number of items spread across three tables. We encourage you to view the photos available [online](https://bit.ly/3RlX3JQ) (<https://bit.ly/3RlX3JQ>) to identify any belongings. We strive to return items with labels to their rightful owners. Additionally, this serves as a reminder for families to label their children's school items. Items that remain unclaimed after a certain period will be donated.

## Student Council Presents: Holiday Theme Days!

Get ready for Upper Lynn's holiday theme days!

### **Holiday Sweater Day - Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

Students are invited to wear any holiday themed sweaters they have to school. If your child does not have a holiday sweater, don't worry! They can simply wear red or green to show their holiday spirit!

### **Holiday Hat Day - Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

Students can wear a Santa hat, elf ears, or a holiday headband. No toques or baseball caps!

### **Pyjama Day - Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Students are invited to wear their pyjamas to school and can even bring a stuffie!

## Staff Parking Lot

We'd like to remind everyone at ULE that the parking area is exclusively for the use of staff members and official District vehicles. Recently, we experienced an incident where a vehicle without authorization accessed our lot and collided with a staff member's car, causing damage to both the car and school property. Thankfully, there were no injuries, and material damage is repairable or replaceable. To prevent future occurrences, we are considering the addition of more signs at the entrance of our parking lot to better communicate the parking regulations.

## Stay Home When Sick!

It is cold and flu season. Please remember to stay home when sick to get better and respect the health of others. Thank you for your cooperation! For more information from Vancouver Coastal Health about when to stay home, click [here](https://bit.ly/3uXwy5Q) (<https://bit.ly/3uXwy5Q>).

## Snow Patrol – We are Growing!

Our team is expanding, and we're on the lookout for additional members. Recently, our school grounds underwent a thorough cleaning as our maintenance team dedicated four days to tidying up Upper Lynn. It was a stroke of luck that the cleanup happened earlier than usual this year, sparing us from the extra work of clearing both snow and fallen leaves together. Looking ahead to the upcoming week, the forecast doesn't predict any snowfall, but we still want to be ready for any surprises after the break. If you're willing to volunteer, please email Mr. MacLeod at [tmacleod@sd44.ca](mailto:tmacleod@sd44.ca).

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# PAC News

Thank-you for all of your support this term. None of it has gone unnoticed.

Three quick reminders:

## After School Program (Grade 4-7) “Inner warrior” – A 6 Week Yoga Program

Dates: Wednesdays, January 10, 2024- February 14, 2024

Times: 3:00pm- 4:15pm (75 minutes)

Location: Multi-purpose room

Cost: \$120/ Student (\$20 per session with \$5 of every lesson going back to ULE PAC)

Grades: 4-7. Spots Available: 25

Register your child and pay by credit card at link: <https://www.northshoreflow.ca/store-1>

Alternatively, you can email Rachel directly, ask any questions, and pay via e-transfer if that is more convenient. [Rachel@northshoreoutdoor.ca](mailto:Rachel@northshoreoutdoor.ca).

## Hot Lunch

Ordering CLOSSES at MIDNIGHT on Dec Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> ([munchalunch.com](http://munchalunch.com)) - No extensions or changes can be made after this time.

## Teacher and Support Staff Gifts

Please respond to the emails from your class reps regarding donations for teacher gifts.

For support staff, please e-transfer [ulpacfinance@gmail.com](mailto:ulpacfinance@gmail.com) (with "support staff" in the memo) and money will be divided between all of the amazing humans who educate and care for our students.

We wish you a wonderful holiday season and look forward to seeing you in 2024.

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# Reminders

## Learning Update is Now Available

The Learning Update for your child is now available for download. For guidance on how to view your child's Learning Update, please use the following [link](https://bit.ly/3RCK5cb) (<https://bit.ly/3RCK5cb>). The Learning Update will include proficiency indicators, and it is common for many students to be categorized within the "developing" range. This signifies that the child is showing consistent advancement in learning based on set standards. The restructured Update in British Columbia promotes the understanding of education as a continuous journey, focusing on enhancing the strengths of a child rather than just evaluating their knowledge. We suggest setting aside time to discuss the Learning Update with your child. Although the proficiency indicators are informative, it is also valuable to read the detailed comments to get an insightful understanding of your child's educational progress.

## Grade 4 & 5 SnowPass Program – Application Period Open

The Canadian Ski Council, along with many ski resorts across Canada, are eager to welcome students in Grades 4 and 5 to the slopes for the 2023/24 season. For \$29.99, Grade 4 and 5 students can ski or snowboard twice at participating ski areas. Applications will be accepted until the end of March 2024. For more information and to apply, visit the [SnowPass](#) website.

## Field Hockey

It is still not too late to register for the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club. We were very fortunate to have the WVFHC come to Upper Lynn and work with all our classes. For more information, please go to [www.wvfhc.com](http://www.wvfhc.com).

Have a wonderful week and a safe and restful holiday.

Tim MacLeod  
Principal

Lise Grendel  
Vice-Principal