

New Student Orientation Schedule

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Wednesday, August 26: Check-in and Fly Over Canada

8:30 AM (or earlier!) to 9:00 AM	Check-in: Kay Meek Theatre at West Vancouver Secondary School 1750 Mathers Avenue West Vancouver, BC V7V 2G7
Morning Activities	Welcome and Introductions by the International Office Classroom Activities led by the Orientation Teachers
Afternoon Activities	FlyOver Canada in Vancouver The Ultimate Flying Ride Walk on the Seawall
3:30-4:00 PM	Dismissal from WVSS (traffic dependant)
Please make sure to wear comfortable walking shoes. - We will be walking all afternoon and on the seawall. <u>Runners are the best to wear. Sandals and Flip flops are a very bad idea!</u> Dress for the weather - Rain means bring an umbrella and a raincoat. - Sun means don't forget to put on sunscreen! A hat would be an excellent idea as well! Bring the following items with you: - a snack, - a lunch from home - a water bottle	

Thursday, August 27: Metrotown Madness!

9:00 AM	Arrival and Attendance at West Vancouver Secondary School
All Day!	Learning public transit by using the Seabus and Skytrain. Home TransLink Exploring Lonsdale Quay and Metrotown !
3:30-4:00 PM	Dismissal from WVSS (traffic dependant)
Please make sure to wear comfortable walking shoes. - Lots of walking again today. Comfortable shoes are a must again today! Dress for the weather - Rain means bring an umbrella and a raincoat. - Sun means don't forget to put on sunscreen! A hat would be an excellent idea as well! Bring the following items with you: - a snack, - a lunch from home (or if you prefer, you can bring money instead and buy your lunch at the mall) - a water bottle	

Friday, August 28: Grouse Mountain

9:00 AM	Arrival and Attendance at West Vancouver Secondary School, load busses!
All Day!	Grouse Mountain Educational Programming Grouse Mountain - The Peak of Vancouver
3:30-4:00 PM	Dismissal from WVSS (traffic dependant)

Please make sure to wear comfortable walking shoes.

- More walking! We will be walking on uneven surfaces. No sandals or flip flops!

Dress for the weather

- The top of Grouse Mountain is often 10 degrees colder than at the bottom and even if it is warm at the base, bring a sweater for when you are on the mountain.
- Rain means bring an umbrella and a raincoat.
- Sun means don't forget to put on sunscreen! A hat would be an excellent idea as well!

Bring the following items with you:

- a snack,
- a lunch from home
- a water bottle

Have an excellent weekend and we will see you on Monday!

Monday August 31: Bowen Island Visit

8:45 AM	Arrival and Attendance at West Vancouver Secondary School (earlier today!)
9:00 AM	The Busses leave for the Ferry to Bowen Island . Don't be late, we can't wait!
All Day	Ferry, Bowen Island, Hike, Language Assessment
3:30-4:00 PM	Dismissal from WVSS (traffic and Ferry dependant)

Please make sure to wear comfortable walking shoes.

- If you didn't wear comfortable shoes yesterday, you really need to make sure to wear comfortable walking shoes today. We will be walking on forest trails. Flip Flops and sandals are not appropriate to wear.

Dress for the weather

- Rain means bring an umbrella and a raincoat.
- Sun means don't forget to put on sunscreen! A hat would be an excellent idea as well!

Bring the following items with you:

- a snack,
- a lunch from home
- a water bottle
- pencil and eraser

Tuesday, September 1: Classwork, Assessments and Community Walk

9:00 AM	Arrival and Classroom Attendance at West Vancouver Secondary School
Morning Activities	Classroom Instruction and Interaction
Afternoon Activities	A walking tour of the WVS Community. We will visit the community centre, the library and the police station. • West Vancouver Community Centre District of West Vancouver • West Vancouver Memorial Library - West Vancouver Memorial Library (westvanlibrary.ca) • West Vancouver Police Department West Vancouver Police (westvanpolice.ca)
3:30 PM	Dismissal from WVSS

Please make sure to wear comfortable walking shoes.

- Hopefully you haven't put away those walking shoes! You will need them again today. No sandals or flip flops!

Dress for the weather

- Rain means bring an umbrella and a raincoat.
- Sun means don't forget to put on sunscreen! A hat would be an excellent idea as well!

Bring the following items with you:

- a snack,
- a lunch from home
- a water bottle
- pencil, pen, and eraser

Wednesday, September 2: Presentations, Lunch and Celebrations!

9:00 AM	Arrival and Classroom Attendance at West Vancouver Secondary School
10:30 AM	Classroom Activities
12:00 PM	BBQ Lunch
1:00 PM	Student Presentations in Kay Meek Theatre
3:00 PM	Dismissal from WVSS

- Don't bring your lunch today! The International Office will be putting on a BBQ for you.
- Please bring a snack for the morning.

Thursday, September 3: Rest and Prepare

- Please do not come to the school today. There are no activities at the school.
- The teachers have a professional development day today!
- Rest up, catch up on your sleep and prepare for your first days at school!

Friday, September 4: School Tours

- These are organized by the schools. As soon as they tell us the time of their tours, we will let you know and post it in the google classroom!