



Trudeau News

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February/March 2026

Important Dates to Remember

Feb. 3-5: StageCoach Theatre Workshops - Grade 3-7

Feb. 5- Mar. 5: Artist in Residence Program - Division 8, 9 & 10

Feb 13: Professional Development Day - class not in session for students

Feb. 16: Family Day - school is closed

Feb. 19: Books for Me (Primary classes)

Feb. 25: PAC Meeting at 3:30am - in person

Feb. 25: Pink Shirt Day - Assembly at 11:00am

March 5: Classes Photos in the morning

March 10: Learning Updates go home

March 12: Books For Me (Intermediates)

March 13: Last Day of School Before Spring Break

March 30: First Day Back after Spring Break



Your voice matters: Share your ideas for VSB's 2026-2027 budget



YOUR VOICE MATTERS:
Share your ideas for
VSB's 2026-2027 budget

The VSB is preparing its budget for next school year. Your input will help trustees make the best decisions about how to use funding to support students. Complete the survey and share your ideas

Survey link: <https://ca.research.net/r/FMG857B>

Learn about other ways to share your thoughts. See our [website](#) for more details.

ARTS UMBRELLA

Arts Umbrella is an arts education non-profit where young artists ages 2-22 cultivate their creativity in Art, Design, Dance, Theatre, Music & Film

Through Stagecoach theatre workshops, Trudeau students will be introduced to performing, theatre games and arts. Artist-Instructors will work with Grade 3 - 7 classes over three days in early February. Each class will have an opportunity to take a field trip to Granville Island in May for follow-up arts workshops.



Trudeau Athletics

Our basketball teams are continuing with their season. The coaches are impressed with the sportsmanship our players express while playing. It's nice to see how they encourage each other. We have a large number of students participating, which is nice to see. Open gym times for intermediate students are being adjusted so pay attention to announcements as to which times are available.

Remember that daylight savings time begins on Sunday, March 8th at 2:00am. Our time moves forward one hour. Therefore, be sure to check your clocks, watches, etc. to be sure it is the correct time!



Pierre Elliott Trudeau Code of Conduct Motto

Trust
Respect
Understanding
Empathy

Be true to yourself
Be true to others
Be true to the environment



Pink Shirt Day

Trudeau's 2026 Pink Shirt Design is here! Over 115 orders have been received.

Pink Shirt Day is on Wednesday, February 25th. Please join us at our assembly that morning in the gymnasium.

WHY WEAR PINK?

On February 25th we are encouraging everyone to wear pink! Even though we show our kindness every day and, in many ways, we wear Pink to symbolize that we do not tolerate bullying. Did you know that Pink Shirt Day originated in Nova Scotia? The movement was started by two high school students. Here is a snippet from a *Globe & Mail* article:



"David Shepherd, Travis Price and their teenage friends organized a high-school protest to wear pink in sympathy with a Grade 9 boy who was being bullied [for wearing a pink shirt]...[They] took a stand against bullying when they protested against the harassment of a new Grade 9 student by distributing pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school. 'I learned that two people can come up with an idea, run with it, and it can do wonders,' says Mr. Price, 17, who organized the pink protest. 'Finally, someone stood up for a weaker kid.' So Mr. Shepherd and some others headed off to a discount store and bought 50 pink tank tops. They sent out a message to schoolmates that night, and the next morning they hauled the shirts to school in a plastic bag. As they stood in the foyer handing out the shirts, the bullied boy walked in. His face spoke volumes. 'It looked like a huge weight was lifted off his shoulders,' Mr. Price recalled. The bullies were never heard from again."



Will you join in by wearing pink on February 25th?
Check out more information about Pink Day at pinkshirtday.ca

PAC Update

Thanks to the parents who attended the last PAC meeting. We thank all families, staff, and volunteers for their ongoing support and engagement in strengthening our school community.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend PAC meetings to support school programs, special events and build community. **Our next meeting will be on February 25th at 3:30pm in the school library.**
Babysitting will be available.

If you are interested in joining our team, please reach out through pierretrudeupac@gmail.com. Every bit helps!



All in-catchment Kindergarten applications to our school received **after** January 31st will be registered at Trudeau, **if there is space**, or added to the bottom of our existing waitlist and registered at a location that has space to accommodate them.

Please Note: There is no priority given to registrants with siblings already attending Trudeau who are registered after January 31st, 2026.

Cross Boundary Applications will be accepted online from February 1st - 28th. Cross Boundary Applications will be notified of their status by March 31st.

For more information on kindergarten registration visit:

<http://www.vsb.bc.ca/kindergarten>

* Available Space includes physical capacity, resources, staffing, or educational programs available or planned for a school as defined by the District (Administrative Procedure 300)

Student Safety

While the school has a plan in place for student supervision both before and after school and at recess and lunchtime, it is good to talk and review with your children about personal safety.

In speaking with your children, the following key reminders are suggested:

1. Walk to and from school with a parent/caregiver, or friends
2. Avoid talking with adults who they do not know.
3. Always tell a trusted adult, such as a parent or member of the school staff, about any unusual or suspicious activities.



Parents wishing further resources or information can visit [Canadian Center for Child Protection](http://www.childprotection.ca).

Be Careful Around Unknown or Dangerous Items

- If you ever see something that looks unusual, unsafe, or like it might be connected to drugs—such as a strange container, vape, needle, or any item you don't recognize—**do not touch it**. These items can be dangerous, even if they don't look harmful. Instead:
 - **Leave it where it is**
 - **Move away from the area**
 - **Tell a trusted adult right away**

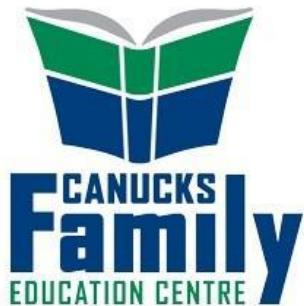
Your safety is the most important thing. If something feels unsafe or confusing, it's always okay to ask an adult for help.



Next Professional Development Day

~ Friday, February 13th ~

No school for students on this day. Staff will participate in workshops on literacy. The school is also closed on **Monday, February 16th** as it is Family Day.



Free English Classes in Vancouver

Canucks Family Education Centre (CFEC), in partnership with South Hill Education Centre (VSB), is offering **free English Foundations classes for adults** (refugee claimants, convention refugees, permanent residents and Canadian citizens).

Location: Britannia Secondary School, 1001 Cotton Drive, Room 109A, Vancouver

Schedule: February 3 - June 17, 2026
English Foundations 2-4

Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30 - 11:45 a.m.
English Foundations 5-7

Tuesday & Wednesday 12:15 - 2:30 p.m.

Pre-registration: <https://forms.gle/jfLDUJKuHgKHNPsn9>

For more information, contact Lina Arias at lina.cfec@gmail.com

Free and Low Cost Food Programs

https://maps.vancouver.ca/foodmap/?utm_source=ACCS+-+Food+Policy&utm_campaign=Food+Policy+Listserv&utm_medium=email



<https://vsbworld.sharepoint.com/sites/CommunityConnections/Lists/External%20Community%20Resources/Attachments/6/emergency-meal-program-map.pdf>

On Our Way to Kindergarten

DROP-IN PROGRAM

Caregiver Must Attend

Get to know our schools!



Inclusive Early Learning Experiences

FREE



Build Kindergarten Confidence

Join Us

Who: Pre-school age children

When: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Every Tuesday and Wednesday
from January 7 to March 3, 2026

Where: Wolfe Elementary 
Room 211

Explore

- Play-based classroom
- Social interactions
- Open-ended art
- Basic routines
- Circle time

Registration Not Required



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604-713-4445

Student Learning Survey - Parent Version

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link by selecting the school district and school name where your child attends school. The e-survey site will be open until May 1st.



Choose from a wide variety of sport, fitness, arts, education, and social activities for all ages and skill levels. You can join a class, register for a program, or just drop in to a facility near you. Swimming and ice skating are popular with kids.

<https://vancouver.ca/parks-recreation-culture/recreational-activities.aspx>

Click below a variety of VSB resources for students, their families and community members:

[Family and Community Information](#)



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[Raising Digitally Responsible Youth](#)

[Digital Literacy Parent Resources](#)





Programs that are coming up this winter at South Hill Library:

The following are on Wednesdays, from 3:30 - 4:30 pm:

February 11: **Osmos (Registration required).**

February 18: **Fun with Pet Rocks**

February 25: **Tracks and Trails**

March 4: **Digital Microscopes (Registration required).**

March 11: **Straw Connectors**

During Spring Break, we have a bunch of programs too:

Squish - Grossology

Wednesdays, March 18

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Join us for books, games and slimy creations as we explore the icky, sticky world.

Elephant and Piggie Party

Saturday, March 21

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Celebrate your favourite characters with fun crafts and games.

Screen Free Minecraft Party

Wednesdays, March 25

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Do you know your Creepers from your Endermen? We have crafts and screen-free games all inspired by the popular video game!

Make Do

Friday, March 27 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Drop in for some free-style building fun featuring Makedo ® cardboard construction.