

Secord News

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SAFETY CORNER

Among other things, what is September known for at "back to school" time? Hectic, exciting.... and busy with traffic! For the safety of all, please check out page 4 for more safety info. See Page 4.

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Dates to Remember for the Fall

Friday, September 30 th	School not In Session- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Monday, October 10 th	Thanksgiving
Friday, October 21 rd	Professional Day. School not in Session



Welcome New Students... *Bienvenue!*

A warm welcome back to all of our École Laura Secord Elementary families and students

Special welcome to all the new families joining us!

All the staff are very excited to be back and to be with your children



And, Welcome New Staff!

September every year brings change, and that includes our staff. Phil Green our veteran intermediate teacher and sports organizer has move into an new phase in his life, Shaun Pletsch, Caitlin Feller, Emily Giroux have gone to other positions; Sarah El Sayed and Carley Romas have taken leaves. We wish them well in their endeavors.

We will also be saying a sad fairwell to Jesse Brown, he is off to be Principal at Tecumseh Elementary.

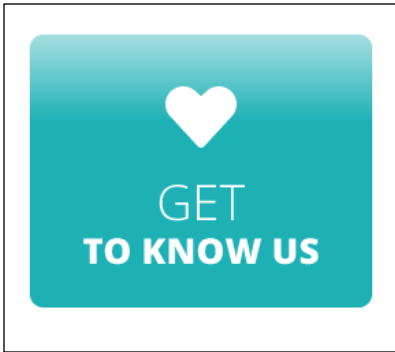
That, of course, leads to the introduction of our new staff! Please join us in welcoming the following new team members.

- Octavia Gordon – EFI Gr. 4/5
- Julia Colero – EFI Gr. 4/5
- Jillian Casper – EFI Gr. 4/5
- Tara Stipeć – EFI G.3
- Susan Biln – Gr. 6/7
- Duncan Coe – Gr. Gr.4/5
- Terra Paquette – Gr. 6/7



Reminder....

NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS:
September 30th Stat
October 10th Thanksgiving



I'm excited to join the Secord staff from McBride (11 years). I've been teaching in Vancouver since 1998 (Henderson 6 years, Emily Carr 5 years) and love being part of a team and working with kids. As a teacher most my experience is in Grade 6 & 7.

I enjoy the outdoors hiking, cycling, walking and traveling. Look forward to new professional development and continuing to build a strong community at Laura Secord by motivating kids in the classroom, and being active.

Thank you

Susan Biln



Stop Bike Thefts

Nearly 2 million bikes are stolen in North America annually - one every 30 seconds.

In Vancouver alone, 5-6 bikes are stolen every day on average, 9 per day in the summer. Unfortunately, Secord experienced an attempted theft in June last year.

So what can you do?

Secure It - the best way to protect yourself against bike theft is to park your bike in a secure bike parking facility, like many workplace bike rooms and cages, and the lockers and parkades provided at some TransLink stations. Other good choices include monitored parking facilities and locations, and high-visibility racks along retail store-fronts. See **Lock It Well** below!

- **Record Your serial #** - often on the underside of your pedal (crank) shaft - keep this number in a safe place
- **Register It** - use the free 529 Garage registry and app anywhere in Metro Vancouver. It alerts others that your bike is stolen and helps police recover and return it to you.
- **Lock it Well** - watch this helpful video by HUB (and this VPD video) to learn how to prevent bike theft with good locking techniques
- **Report Bike Theft** - if your bike is stolen, reporting it to your local police ASAP is your best chance for safe return (and to stimulate action by the local policing community).
- **Broadcast It** - social networks have been proven to increase the chance of recovery - post a photo and details of your bike theft experience on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
- **Look for It** - watch online marketplaces, and report or flag suspicious listings.

Police and RCMP advise you to not attempt a 'sting' operation of your own; while some have been successful, the potential risk to you is far greater than the benefit of recovery. **Always contact your local police for assistance.**

Log It, Lock It...Or Lose It and Free Bike Registry

Here is the VPD Log It, Lock It or Lose It campaign, and recommended bike registry app Project 529 Garage to make it harder for thieves to steal your bike. Project 529 also makes it easier for police to help get your bike back if it's stolen.



Welcome Back to School 2022

Dear Secord Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to 2022-2023 school year! I thought I would reach out to you before school begins to share information about the start of the school year. I look forward to meeting everyone and welcoming students, staff, and community!

I would like to pass on a little bit of information for the first day of school, on Tuesday, September 6.

On Tuesday, September 6, school will be in session from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

IMPORTANT: While Tuesday, September 6th is the first day of school for new and returning students going into grades 1 through 7, **our new kindergarten students will start the following day Wednesday, September 7th.**

All new kindergarten students in British Columbia will go through a gradual entry process during their first 5 days of school which allows for both the children and the teachers to become more familiar with each other thus creating a gentler, more natural transition into school. Parents of Kindergarten students will find specific information in the "Gradual Entry" letter sent in June 2022.

For Grade 1 to 6 students, please have your child go to last year's classroom (lining up as they did so last year- see map attached). Any new families will go to the school big gymnasium. Please look for the "New Students" sign but the field entrance on 10th Ave. Children will be with their previous year's teacher for a few days until the district has finalized organizations.

As you may have heard, the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health has not made any changes to the Health and Safety Protocols that were updated in the spring. Mask wearing continues to be a personal choice for students and staff and masks will be available to students from the office if they would like to use one. We will continue to practice good hand hygiene throughout the day, remind children not to share food items, and minimize congestion in the school as much as is possible. As a reminder, if your child is sick, they must stay home until they are feeling better and they are able to *fully* participate in the school day. The guidelines for illness relating to COVID remain in place as they were in April of last school year. It is likely the VSB's communicable disease plan will be updated shortly but, in the meantime, please refer to the plan that was revised in May, [here](#). COVID-specific guidelines start on page 12.

Shape of the First Week of School:

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Tuesday September 6, 202 – First Day for students (1 hour only)

8:55 - Warning bell

9:00 - Students will be picked up with their last year's class in last year's assigned line up location on the field and then transitioned to their classroom with their teacher from last year. (Please see attached map for locations). **New students**, including Late French Immersion students will meet by the field entrance on 10th Ave. entrance next to the "New Students" sign.

Please note the following exceptions to students with their teacher from last year:

-6/7 English Program Team: Ms. Susan Biln., Ms. Carolyn Garneau and Ms. Krista Forbes will be responsible for covering this year's Grade 7 and Grade 1 students of the English program for the 1st week.

-6/7 French Immersion Team: (Mme Joti Singh, Mme Morgane Pocard Mme Tania May, Mme Monique Hunter and Mme Octavia Gordon will be responsible for covering this year's Grade 7 and Grade 1 students of the FI program for the 1st week.

- Mme Danielle LaGrange will be covering Ms. Christina Tehennepe's class from last year.

- Mme Tara Stipeć will be covering Mme Carly Corrado and Mme Teghan McDonald's class from last year.

- Mme. Jilian Casper and Mme Julie Colero will be covering Mme Emily Cosentino's class from last year.

Students will be with their last year's teacher/ class until we move into new classes.

Teachers will cover the relevant Health & Safety information with their students on the first day of school.

10:00 - Student Dismissal – Parent/guardians are asked to pick up students at the same location as drop off as they did last year (see map as a reference).

Wednesday Sept. 7th - First Full Day for Students in Gr 1 - 7

Please help us by reminding your child/children that this is a full day, and they will need a snack and a lunch.

Teachers will continue to pick up the students at the same line-up areas for the week until we move into our new classes. Assigned line up location may be different starting on Sept. 12th. More information will be shared next week.

All students will return to the class they were assigned to on Tuesday until the district has finalized organization. Days will start at 9:00 am and end at 3:03 pm, according to 2022-23 bell schedule.

Important Procedures for Students New to Second

All students who are new to Secord including Grade 6 Late French Immersion Students will meet just inside Entrance D on the East side of 10th Avenue (see map attached and look for the “New Student” sign).

New students to Secord will be welcomed by our *Secord New Student Welcome Team* and be given an introduction and a tour of Ecole Laura Secord Elementary. After their tour on Tuesday, they will be assigned to a temporary, grade-appropriate classroom (except Grade 6 Late French Immersion students) until we move into our 2022-2023 classes. The new students will be shown their new pickup and drop off location for the week before re-uniting with their parents/guardians at the original entrance (D) on 10th Avenue.

Grade 6 Late Immersion Students will proceed to their classroom for the year on Tuesday Sept. 6th and released to their original spot of drop off in the morning with instructions on how to arrive the next day.

New Kindergarten students are not attending school on Sept. 6th. Their first day is Thursday, September 9th. According to the gradual entry schedule below:

Kindergarten Gradual Entry Schedule

*Please refer to Gradual Entry Parent Information Letter for additional details

Gradual A Schedule	Gradual B Schedule
Tues., Sept. 6: No school for new Kindergarten students	Tuesday., Sept. 6: No school for new Kindergarten students
Wed., Sept. 7 10:00-10:30 AM	Wed., Sept. 7 10:45 –11:15 AM
Thurs., Sept. 8 9:15 – 10:15 AM	Thurs., Sept. 8 11:05 AM – 12:05 PM
Friday Sept. 9 9:15 – 10:30 AM	Friday., Sept. 9 11:05AM – 12:20 PM
Monday, Sept. 12 9:15 – 11:15 AM	Monday., Sept. 12 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Tues, Sept. 13 9:15 – 11:15 AM	Tues., Sept. 13 9:15 AM – 1:15 PM
Wed., Sept. 14 onwards 9:00 – 3:03 PM	Thurs., Sept. 14 onwards 9:00 AM – 3:03 PM

2022-23 Staffing:

We would like to warmly welcome new staff members to the Secord team!

- Mme Julie Colero – EFI 4/5
- Ms. Susan Biln - 6/7
- Mr. Duncan Coe - 4/5
- Ms. Danielle LaGrande -4/5 (covering for Ms. Tehennepe’s maternity leave)
- Ms. Melina Consatino- Youth and Family Worker
- Mme Octavia Gordon EFI 4/5 (covering for Mme El-Sayed’s maternity leave)

We would also like to welcome back:

- Ms. Jilian Casper EFI Grade 4/5
- Mme Monique Hunter Prep teacher

September Enrollment and Reorganization

School organization was initiated last May-June based on the information available to us at that time. There are always new student registrations at Secord with new families moving into and out of the area. Schools often need to reorganize at this time of year based on new information received over the summer. We will be submitting our enrollment numbers to the District to determine if we have to reorganize the school classes and to determine how many classes and students that would affect. If indeed we must move teaching assignments and classes, we will address that in a separate letter to parents. Our goal is to complete that process as quickly and effectively as possible to promote stability. Please help us in reminding your child/children of this process.

Field Studies

As per updated District H&S Guidelines, local day and community outings are permitted by transit, school bus and walking. Destinations/operators must have a Covid-19 mitigation plan that does not contradict or conflict with the school Health and Safety plan. At this time, overnight outings are permitted and out of province outings continue to be discussed at district level.

Athletics

Extra-curricular athletics have been given approval to resume last school year. District guidelines have been created to ensure safety and they will be shared with the community in follow up communications.

School Calendar Update

Friday September 30th is now a statutory holiday - **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation** - so there will be no school for students and staff. We invite all members of our community to take the time that day to collectively reflect on where we are at along the continuum of learning and commitment to the Truth & Reconciliation commission. Calendars on both the District and our School website have been updated to reflect this.

Student's Passwords Reset

All students' passwords (to access their MS Teams, emails, Office Suite etc.) will be reset on September 2nd. Students will need to reset their passwords using the following link after the reset date: <http://studentpass.vsb.bc.ca>

We encourage your child to use a unique two-word phrase with spaces so they can remember it and keep it confidential.

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Lunch Time

ALL Students eat in their classrooms – this school year will start as we ended last year: eating time will be part of instructional time and supervised by teachers.

Homeroom teachers will decide what lunch time is best for their class (before or after lunch recess). Please see attached bell schedule. PAC Hot lunch program will resume and additional information will be shared shortly.

Life-Threatening Allergies

There are numerous students at Ecole Laura Secord Elementary School who live with severe allergies which can cause serious anaphylactic reactions. An anaphylactic reaction is an allergic reaction so severe that, in some cases, it can be life threatening.

These children have severe allergies to:

- Eggs (egg salad, hard boiled eggs) or prepared food with eggs such as mayonnaise, baked goods containing eggs, candy containing egg such as nougat, creamy dressings, custard, quiche, etc.)
- Seafood
- Peanuts
- Tree Nuts (Please note: Some products claim to be peanut free but actually contain tree nuts. Please read ingredient lists carefully).

The best approach to creating a safe school environment for these children is prevention/avoidance and parents/guardians play a crucial role in this regard. While we recognize that parents are entitled to decide what goes into their child's lunches and snacks, we respectfully request your help in reducing the risk to our students with these allergies by refraining, wherever possible, from packing the above-named foods.

Student Absences

If your child is going to be late or absent from school, please send a note to the office ahead of time or call our Safe Arrival - Attendance Phone at **604-713-5159 ext. 74**. Calling this line ensures that absences are received and recorded in our student information system and allows us to account for all student's safety in a timely manner. The school office can be a very busy place in the morning and using the dedicated phone line ensures your message will be received and will allow us to focus our efforts on student safety and office procedures.

Secondly, if you are picking your child up early from school, we also ask that you send a note to the school in the morning. This process is helpful as we wish to minimize interruptions to classes by calling students out during instructional time and helps us get your child to you in an efficient manner.

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Our School PAC is an active and key part of the school community. We need your involvement to make the school PAC a success. It is a great group of people who

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care deeply about our school and our students. Please keep an eye out for and read the information that will be sent shortly by the PAC.

Connecting to the School

Please visit our school website so that you can receive current updates and information items at the following link: <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/laura-second/Pages/default.aspx> .

We also invite you to follow us on Instagram at laurasecord_vsb. Monthly Newsletters as well as Weekly Parent Updates are also emailed to parents/guardians on a regular basis. Please ensure that the school has your most up to date email and contact information so you can receive the timely communications from us.

We also encourage parents to keep in touch by talking to your child about what they are learning and by being involved in the school and keeping up-to-date with school happenings. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns you may have.

We are very excited to be welcoming our students back to school next week and looking forward to re-connecting and re-engaging with all members of our Secord Learning Community!

Sincerely,

Laurent Brisebois, Principal



School Bell Schedule

School Schedule 2022-2023

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8:55	Warning Bell	5 min.
9:00-9:50	Period 1	50 min.
9:50-10:30	Period 2	40 min.
10:30-10:50	Recess	20 min.
10:50-11:30	Period 3	40 min.
11:30-12:10	Period 4	40 min.
12:10-12:57	Lunch Recess	47 min.
12:57-1:32	Period 5	35 min.
1:32-2:12	Period 6	40 min.
2:12-3:03	Period 7	51 min.
3:03	Dismissal	

Bell times:

8:55 / 9:00
10:30/10:50
12:10/12:57
3:03

The Terry Fox run is back!

Keep your eyes peeled for more information.



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School Calendar

Ecole Laura Secord Elementary School Calendar 2022–2023

School Operation Overview

Number of Days in Session	185
Number of Days of Instruction	179
Number of Days of Non-Instruction	6 Non-Instructional Days; 1 Administrative Day (June 30)

Important Dates

First Day of School for Students	Tuesday September 6, 2022
National Day for Truth & Reconciliation	Friday September 30, 2022
Thanksgiving Day	Monday October 10, 2022
Remembrance Day	Friday November 11, 2022
Last Day of Instruction Before Winter Vacation	Friday December 16, 2022
Winter Vacation Period	Monday December 19, 2021 - Monday January 2, 2022
School Re-opens after Winter Vacation	Tuesday January 3, 2023
Family Day	Monday February 20, 2023
Last Day of Instruction Before Spring Vacation	Friday March 10, 2023
Spring Vacation Period	Monday March 13 - Friday March 24, 2023
School Re-opens after Spring Vacation	Monday March 27, 2023
Good Friday	Friday April 07, 2023
Easter Monday	Monday, April 10, 2023
Victoria Day	Monday May 22, 2023
Last Full Day of Pupil Attendance	Thursday June 29, 2023
Administrative/School Closing Day	Friday June 30, 2023

Professional Development and Non-Instructional Days (School not in session)

Friday, October 21, 2022	Professional Development Day (Province Wide)
Friday, November 25, 2022	Non-Instructional Indigenous Focus Day (District Wide)
Monday January 16, 2023	Professional Development Day (Date set by school)
Friday, February 17, 2023	Professional Development Day (District Wide)
Monday, April 24, 2023	Professional Development Day (District Wide)
Friday, May 19, 2023	Professional Development Day (Date set by school)

Student Conference Dates

Early Dismissal Times

Tuesday, November 08 th , 2022	2:00 pm dismissal
Wednesday, November 09 th , 2022	2:00 pm dismissal
Wednesday, March 08 th , 2023	2:00 pm dismissal
Thursday, March 09 th , 2023	2:00 pm dismissal



SCHOOL FEES for (2022-2023)

Important Information – Please Translate

这是一份重要信息 – 请找人为您翻译

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Mahalagang Impormasyon - Paki salin sa sariling wika

중요한 정보 - 번역 부탁드립니다

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Важная информация! Переведите, пожалуйста

GENERAL \$35.00 SUPPLY FEE



The Vancouver School Board offers the service of purchasing basic school supplies in bulk at wholesale prices and passing the cost savings on to families. The School Supply Fee for 2022 – 2023 is \$35.00 per student*.

This fee covers basic consumable school supplies used for students' personal use such as paper, writing tools, glue sticks, erasers, exercise books and art supplies. Supplies are provided for the full year.

SUPPLEMENTARY FEES

Student Agenda/Planner – \$7.00

Students Grade at Laura Secord will be using an Agenda/Planner in grades 2 – 7 and the English grade 1's. School agendas/planners are a valuable tool for teaching children how to organize and plan for school. While students are not required to have an agenda/planner it is designed to assist students with the skills of organization and time management and is a very useful communication tool often used between teachers and families.

Workbooks – To be determined (\$12.00 - \$30.00)

This year, students in **some** divisions will be bringing home Homework Books and/or working with an online subscription. This material supplements the classroom math program. **See the teacher for more information**

Students are not obligated to purchase the workbook and may opt to use their copy as a reference textbook instead, meaning the workbook will be returned at the end of the school year for another student to use in the future. Students opting to use the workbook as a textbook will be responsible for ensuring that it remains unmarked and in excellent condition in order to return the workbook at the end of the year.

Field Studies – To be determined throughout the school year at the classroom level

Throughout the school year your child's teacher may plan supplementary learning opportunities at locations outside of the school and request monies towards entrance fees, transportation or equipment rental. Your child's teacher will communicate this information to you directly. Secord has a long-standing practice of offering a 5-day Gr. 7 outdoor education/camp experience (\$275.00) as well as an 8-day Quebec exchange for our Gr. 7 French Immersion students (TBD)

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

As a reminder, the Vancouver School Board will not deny a child access to the school supplies required for his or her educational program because of financial hardship. Nor will any child be excluded from activities where a fee is charged. If at any time there is a financial challenge, please contact the principal. Students with financial hardship will be treated as follows:



VSB Grade 8

September 2023

PROGRAMS

All 18 secondary schools in Vancouver offer challenging and comprehensive programs. Many schools have developed their own school-based enrichment programs for a wide range of student interests and abilities. In addition to the neighbourhood school, District programs also offer a set of enrichment programs to meet the needs of students.

Information nights will be held in person and through online platforms. There is no District Wide Assessment/Test required for application.

Important Dates and Registration Requirements
General Registry: Apply to the District Mini School General Registry between November 7, 2022 - December 15, 2022 by 3:00pm
<https://govsb.ca/secondary-programs>

Complete Program Application Processes: Connect directly to each Mini School program site to submit required information and documentation.
Deadline: December 15, 2022 by 3:00pm

Check our website for the most up to date information
<https://govsb.ca/secondary-programs>

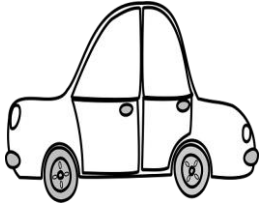


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Back to School Traffic Safety Tips

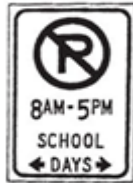
The first few weeks of back to school is always a hectic and exciting time. Traffic-wise, things can get particularly busy, especially near schools. For the safety of all children we are strongly encouraging everyone to drive carefully and obey traffic signs around school grounds. If possible, we are encouraging everyone to walk, cycle (remember to wear a helmet) or carpool to school. If you must drive, consider parking a few blocks away and walk the rest of the way.

The following are traffic signs that are typically posted around Vancouver schools.



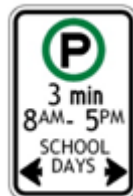
“NO PARKING 8am – 5pm SCHOOL DAYS”

These signs designate the zones for active picking up and dropping off of students. Do not park and leave the vehicle in these zones.



“3 min Parking 8am – 5pm SCHOOL DAYS”

These signs designate the zones for picking up and dropping off of students where parking is permitted for 3 minutes.



School Area Signs

This sign is used in advance of school to warn drivers that children may be walking along or crossing the road. On local streets 30 km/hr signs are posted and the speed limit is 30 km/hr from 8 am - 5 pm on school days.



School Crosswalk Signs





Wear Orange on September 30th

The Government of Canada is committed to reconciliation and ensuring that the tragic history and ongoing legacy of residential schools is never forgotten.

As you may be aware, the government recently passed legislation to make **September 30th** a federal statutory holiday called the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Like all Canadians, this day provides an opportunity for each public servant to recognize and commemorate the legacy of residential schools. This may present itself as a day of quiet reflection or participation in a community event.



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Dates/Times/Locations/Fees
Subject to change. E&OE

Celebrating our 26th year, over 36,000 boys/girls have played RBL Basketball

RBL Basketball Boys/Girls Fall 2022 and Winter 2023

General Information

- register online at RBLBasketball.com when registration is open, *fees indicated are what you pay*
- skill development programs are open to all regardless of skill level
- league players can register individually or with a team (reduced fee)
- all players may participate in RBL recreational leagues
- players new to RBL, registering as individuals, who wish to play in a competitive league should contact Richard to arrange for assessment
- many Winter programs resume the first week public schools are in session
- if the time of your program is not listed, you will be contacted **just prior** to the start
- RBL offers many, highly recommended, grade specific, one-week holiday camps which are the keys to our program
- Private/semi-private lessons - contact Richard (604) 269-0221

Kindergarten/Grade 1/2/3 Boys/Girls

(11)	Sunday - Skill Development	Sept 11-Oct 9	12:30-2pm (JCC)	\$150
(21)	Monday - Skill Development	Sept 12-Dec 12	5:30-6:45pm (BS)	\$300
(31)	Tuesday - Skill Development	Sept 13-Dec 13	5:30-6:45pm (BS)	\$350
(41)	Friday - Skill Development	Oct 14-Dec 16	5:30-6:45pm (BS)	\$225
(53)	Sunday - Skill Development (K/1)	Oct 16-Mar 5	11:30-12:45pm (JCC)	\$360
(52)	Sunday - Skill Development (2/3)	Oct 16-Mar 5	10:15-11:30am (JCC)	\$360
(54)	Sunday - Skill Development (K-3)	Oct 16-Mar 5	12:45-2pm (JCC)	\$360
(51)	Sunday - League (2/3) <i>selective</i>	Oct 16-Mar 5	9-10:15am (JCC)	\$360

Grade 4/5/6 Boys/Girls

(12)	Sunday - Skill Development	Sept 11-Oct 9	9-10:30am (JCC)	\$135
(13)	Sunday - Skill Development	Sept 11-Oct 9	10:45-12:15pm (JCC)	\$135
(22)	Monday - Skill Development	Sept 12-Dec 12	6:45-8pm (BS)	\$270
(32)	Tuesday - Skill Development	Sept 13-Dec 13	6:45-8pm (BS)	\$315
(42)	Friday - Skill Development	Oct 14-Dec 16	6:45-8pm (BS)	\$200
(81)	Sunday - League(competitive)	Oct 16-Mar 5	am/early pm (StPats)	\$290
(82)	Sunday - League(recreational)	Oct 16-Mar 5	am/early pm (StPats)	\$290

Grade 6/7/8/9 Boys

*Many Grade 6 & 7 teams will have a practice, often on Thursdays from 6-7 or 7-8 pm at St. Patrick's

(23)	Monday - Skill Development	Sept 12-Dec 12	8-9:15pm (BS)	\$270
(33)	Tuesday - Skill Development	Sept 13-Dec 13	8-9:15pm (BS)	\$315
(43)	Friday - Skill Development	Oct 14-Dec 16	8-9:15pm (BS)	\$200
(44)	Friday - Skill Development HP	Oct 14-Dec 16	8-9:15pm (BS)	\$200
(45)	Friday - Skill Development HP	Oct 14-Dec 16	9:15-10:30pm (BS)	\$200
(71)	*Saturday - League (Gr. 6 comp)	Nov 12-Mar 4	after 3pm (JH)	\$240
(72)	*Saturday - League (Gr. 7 comp)	Nov 12-Mar 4	after 3pm (JH)	\$240
(73)	*Saturday - Rec League (Gr 6-9)	Nov 12-Mar 4	after 3pm (JH)	\$240
(74)	Saturday - League (Gr 8/9 comp)	Nov 12-Mar 4	after 3pm (JH)	\$240

Grade 8/9/10 Boys

*Optional drop-in practices are available on Thursdays, Sept 29-Oct 27 from 6-8pm at St. Patrick's

(61)	*Sat pre-season - Gr. 8 League	Sept 24-Oct 29	after 3pm (JH)	\$110
(62)	*Sat pre-season - Gr. 9 League	Sept 24-Oct 29	after 3pm (JH)	\$110
(63)	*Sat pre-season - Gr. 10 League	Sept 24-Oct 29	after 3pm (JH)	\$110
(43)	Friday - Skill Development	Oct 14-Dec 16	8-9:15pm (BS)	\$200
(44)	Friday - Skill Development HP	Oct 14-Dec 16	8-9:15pm (BS)	\$200
(45)	Friday - Skill Development HP	Oct 14-Dec 16	9:15-10:30pm (BS)	\$200

RBL Basketball black/white reversible jerseys available for sale at games \$25

RBL basketballs and designer camp t-shirts for sale (order through Coach Blake)

Gymnasiums:

- Jericho Hill Centre Gym (JH) - 4196 West 4th Ave (enter from 4th Ave)
- Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver (JCC) - 950 W. 41st Ave (east of Oak)
- Saint Patrick's Elementary (StPats) - 110 E. 12th Ave (just west of Main Street)
- Blessed Sacrament School (BS) - 3020 Heather Street (north of 16th Avenue)



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The East Vancouver Community Music School is excited to offer a monthly Suzuki Violin Group Class for students in Suzuki books 1-4. Playing music in a group is infinitely more fun than playing music by oneself! Our wonderful violin teacher Sarah Westwick will be hosting group Suzuki Violin classes at St Mark's Lutheran Church (1573 E 18th Ave, just off commercial) starting this September. Registration forms are available for those who are interested by contacting us at music@evcms.ca. These classes are open to all Suzuki students in the Vancouver area.

Classes are scheduled for Fridays at 4:00-5:00 pm on Sept 23, Oct 21, Nov 18 2022, Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 10, Apr 21, & May 19 2023: in person

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Hello and/or welcome back, Secord Families!

We hope you have all had a most rejuvenating and generative summer with your family and friends.

We are excited for what the 2022/23 school year will unfold.

Please see some upcoming events and offerings we have to kick off this new school year:

- **Welcome back Coffee:** get connected to the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) and see what we have to offer and how you can get involved to help cultivate the community we all want and need
 - Tuesday the 6th ~ 8:30ish - 9:30am, and
 - Thursday the 8th ~ 9:30 - 11:30am
- **The Laura Secord Anti-Racism Committee (ARC) wants to hear from you.**

Whether you are a new or returning family, you can help the ARC plan for the coming year, by taking 2 minutes to fill out this brief survey: <https://forms.gle/jnPurk8q3GRdmvCu9>

We want to know what you'd like to see from the ARC this year, including **ideas in connection to Sept 30 Orange Shirt Day/National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.**

- **First PAC Meeting of the year ~ save the date: September 28th, 7pm**
 - most likely will be a hybrid model - live & virtual - to accommodate everyone's schedules and comfort level
 - keep an eye out for more details in the upcoming weeks <3

We're very grateful for this wonderful community of staff, students, parents and caregivers and look forward to connecting again this year.