

What's New on the Ridge

December 12, 2025



Term 1 Learning Updates (Report Cards): Your child's learning update (report card) is now published to their MyEd portal. Please sign in to MyEd to view the learning update: <https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>. If you need assistance, please contact lrichmond@sd43.bc.ca

Concert Dress Rehearsal Wednesday Dec. 17th: All classes will have a final concert rehearsal on Wednesday morning right after the start bell. Students must wear designated outfits for their performance, which teachers have already indicated to parents/guardians. If you are unsure of the outfit, please contact your child's teacher.



Festive Day & Holiday Sing-along Friday, December 19th: We invite students to wear something holiday related on Friday, to celebrate the last day of school before Winter Break. Some ideas: holiday sweaters, seasonal hats, red and green, something from your own family traditions. All classes will gather in the gym mid-morning for a holiday sing-along.



Winter Concerts: Parents/Guardians, please reserve Thursday, December 18th in your calendars. We will be presenting a school-wide Winter Concert, one performance in the morning with all classes performing, and a repeat performance in the afternoon with all classes performing. To meet gym capacity limits, we have once again assigned our audience into two groups. We appreciate everyone's cooperation:

Family Last Name: L to Z ~ 9:15am performance

Family Last Name: A to K ~ 1:15pm performance

*Please check your email for more details sent home earlier this week.

Music Performance: On Thursday, January 8th, students will enjoy "Blues Rocks" performance by The Blues Rocks Band. Through listening, singing, and clapping along students will learn to recognize the essential blues chord progression. By hearing everything from Robert Johnson to Elvis Presley, and Led Zeppelin to TV theme songs, students will realize that their favourite music is built on the blues.



Grade 5 Basketball: Practices will begin on Tuesday, January 13th. Please look for a permission form from our coaches Mr. Drake & Ms. Patrick. Practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays before school 8:15am. There will be a student information meeting in the library prior to practices starting. Please stay tuned for an announcement with day and time.



After School Programs

Eagle Ridge: Afterschool Programs (Winter 2026)

Go to www.DWUL.io, search "SD43 Eagle Ridge" or "Eagle Ridge" or click below.

[Eagle Ridge \[Wednesdays\] Explore Robotics:Gr4-Gr5](#)

[Eagle Ridge \[Thursdays\] Explore Robotics:Gr1-Gr4](#)

[Eagle Ridge \[Wednesdays\] Port Moody Soccer: Gr2-Gr3](#)

How to register: See the [Support Document](#), [60-second Video](#), or [Online Guide](#).

Programs are brought to you by different community organizations.

DWUL (Do What U Luv) provides registration support.

Note: If the links are not opening due to browser/firewall issues, go to www.DWUL.io first. Then, search "SD43 Eagle Ridge" or "Eagle Ridge" for direct access.

New Gr 4/5 Free After School Program

Gleneagle Secondary Leadership students are bringing an exciting after-school sports exploration program to Eagle Ridge Elementary for students in grades 4-5! With Team Talons, your child will dive into a supportive environment, play many different sports, build new skills, and elevate physical and mental confidence along the way. Each week will bring fresh, new experiences to keep the youth engaged and active – games designed and run by volunteers from the community with safety in mind. This program will be once a week, starting on Thursday, January 15th, from 2:45 to 3:45 for six consecutive weeks. This is the perfect opportunity for your child to stay moving and make friends; we hope to see your child there! 25 spots available for this **free** program!! Sign up on the form now!

[Sports Exploration Program Sign Up - Eagle Ridge – Fill out form](#)

REMINDERS

Westcoast Lunch and Recess We Are Going Outside to Play:

Students should be prepared to be outside each day at lunch and recess. We will only stay inside if it is extremely inclement weather. Proper boots, water-resistant jackets with hoods, and optionally umbrellas will help keep children warm and dry. Please send your child with a full change of clothing to be left at school. Students should also have an inside pair of running shoes. Please dress your child appropriately for the weather conditions. **We cannot call home for extra clothes.**



Eagle Ridge Elementary is on Facebook and Instagram.

We post ongoing Eagle Ridge information for parents/guardians on these social media platforms. It's @eagleridgeSD43 for both – please follow, like, and share.

School Calendar

Date	Activities and Events
<i>Wednesday, December 17</i>	<i>Winter Concerts Dress Rehearsal 9:10am</i>
<i>Thursday, December 18</i>	<i>Winter Concerts 9:15am ~ Last Name L-Z 1:15pm ~ Last Name A-K</i>
<i>Friday, December 19</i>	<i>Last day of school before winter vacation Festive Day – School Spirit Day Holiday Sing-along</i>
<i>Monday, January 5</i>	<i>First Day back</i>
<i>Thursday, January 8</i>	<i>Blues Rocks performance 11:00am</i>

Inclusive Calendar

Cultural	Changes Annually	Hanukkah Hanukkah is the Jewish eight-day, wintertime “festival of lights,” celebrated with a nightly menorah lighting, special prayers and fried foods.
Cultural	Changes Annually	Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib A Sikh holiday that celebrates with a procession of songs and hymns.
Anti-racism	18-Dec	International Migrants Day A day to honor the contributions made by immigrants across the world.
Anti-racism	20-Dec	International Human Solidarity Day An initiative taken by the United Nations Assembly to raise a concern about world poverty. This day is celebrated to eradicate world problems like corruption, terrorism, hunger, and illiteracy and establish world peace and harmony.
Cultural	21-Dec	Winter Solstice (Northern Hemisphere) The shortest period of daylight and the longest night of the year. This date is celebrated by, and has significance to, multiple cultures and religions.
Indigenous	24-Dec to 07-Jan	Qviasukvik Inuit winter feast and festival observed by the Inuit, Yupik, Aleut, Chukchi, Iñupiat, and NunatuKavut. Celebrates the coming year and placates the roaming spirits for good luck in the year to come.
Cultural	25-Dec	Christmas Day A Christian holiday commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ, usually observed as a religious and cultural celebration.
Cultural	26-Dec to 01-Jan	Kwanzaa Kwanzaa is an African-American cultural holiday that has been adopted around the world including in Canada to celebrate African family, community and culture.
Cultural	Changes Annually	Bodhi Day A Buddhist holiday that commemorates the day that Gautama Buddha (Shakyamuni) is said to have experienced enlightenment, also known as bodhi in Sanskrit and Pali.
Cultural	All Month	Tamil Heritage Month A month to celebrate the rich heritage and contributions of Tamil people in Canada.
Indigenous	01-Jan	Ochetookeskaw - Kissing Day – Hand Shaking Day (Métis) A Métis day of celebration.
Cultural	01-Jan	New Year’s Day A day to celebrate the first day of the year according to the Gregorian calendar.
Disabilities / Diverse Abilities	04-Jan	World Braille Day A day to celebrate Braille and what it means for the human rights of people who are blind or partially sighted.
Cultural	05-Jan	Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh A Sikh festival to celebrate the 10th Guru of the Sikhs.

NEWS FROM THE PAC

What's New with the PAC:

Join our monthly meetings to hear updates from the principal and voice any feedback.

All parents and guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The agenda will be posted on our website a week in advance. If you would like to add an agenda item, please contact us 10 days prior to the meeting.

*Our next PAC Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 20th @ 6:30 (school library)** If you would like to volunteer, join a committee, or have any questions please contact us at eagleridgepac@gmail.com*

Stay connected:

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