

VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY WEEK AT A GLANCE



JANUARY
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Valley View Elementary School

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Highlights

Literacy week was a great success with so many students and families making time to celebrate the importance of reading. We had many special guests this week including members of the PAC, retired educators and staff from the school board office. Classes had guest readers as well as lessons in coding and orienteering. Thanks so much to all our special visitors for making this week so awesome.

The **Book BINGO Challenge** that runs for one more week and sheets are due to the library by Friday Feb 6. Donuts for completed book bingos will be ordered and delivered to students on Friday, Feb 13th.

The **Caught Ya! Reading Contest** runs until this Sunday Feb 1. Catch your kid(s) reading anywhere outside of school and send me a picture to enter them in a contest for awesome prizes!

Munchalunch is open now for Feb lunch orders. Remember it is a pay what you can model so make your child's order and enter any dollar amount, your payment is completely anonymous.

munchalunch.com/schools/valleyview

Upcoming Events

Monday Feb 2

- 2:30pm Girls basketball practice
- Book BINGO continues
- Cheese tortellini with pesto

Tuesday Feb 3

- 2:30pm Boys basketball practice
- Chicken ranch wrap

Wednesday Feb 4

- Girls away Basketball Game vs Queneesh
- Boys home Basketball Game @ Queneesh
- Taco bowl
- Candygrams

Thursday Feb 5

- 2:30pm Girls basketball practice
- Pizza Day
- Candygrams

Friday Feb 6

- 2:30pm Boys basketball practice
- Meatballs and mashed potato bowl
- Candygrams

Upcoming dates to note:

- Monday Feb 16th - Family Day, no school
- Tuesday Feb 17th - Pro-D Day, no school for students

Leadership Club Activities

Valentine's Day Candygrams - hosted by Leadership Club students at lunch recess February 4-5-6.

Cost: 1\$ per candy + card or 10\$ for a whole class. We will make sure there is a chocolate option and a candy option so that students can have some choice. Candy is purchased for delivery only. No cost for sending a card or several cards.

Candygrams and cards will be delivered on Feb 13 in the afternoon. No exceptions! We will split up the school into grade cohorts to create and post their cards on the following days:

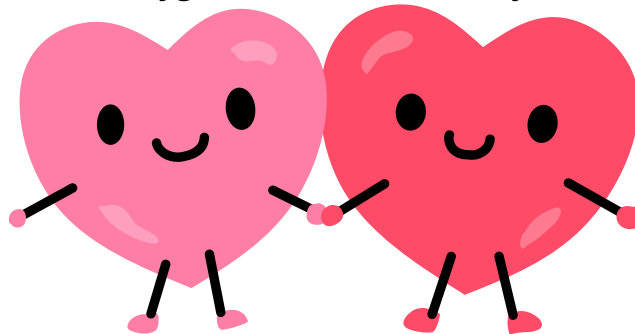
Wednesday, Feb 4: grades K/1

Thursday, Feb 5: grades 2-4

Friday, Feb 6: grades 5-7

Students will be hosting a Valentine's Day Face Painting activity at lunch recess on Thursday, Feb 12 and Friday Feb 13 in the pods. Face Painting is by donation - 1-2\$ is suggested.

Friday, Feb 13, we are asking students to dress up in their favourite red or pink outfit. Be creative and have fun! Candygram and card delivery in the afternoon.



Kindergarten Registration begins Tues Jan 20th

Starting Tuesday, January 20th, please register your child for Kindergarten for September 2026 by clicking the online registration form: www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration

For detailed information regarding Kindergarten registration, as well as programs of choice information, please see the poster attached as well as our district website:

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/kindergarten-registration/>

While most, if not all, students living in a school's local catchment will be accommodated at that school, they cannot be guaranteed placement in the catchment area school and may be required to go to the nearest school having space available.

Court is in Session



Super games were played this week against some really fantastic teams. Our students held their own, played hard and made some fantastic 3-point shots too! Well done!

The practices are girls on Monday and Thursday afterschool and the boys practicing on Tuesday and Fridays afterschool. Please try to make all the practices. Both teams have games every Wednesday.

This week we play against Queneesh with the girls at Queneesh and the boys at home.

The teacher sponsors for the girls team is Ms. Monita canda.montia@sd71.bc.ca and for the boys is Ms. Lehton yolanda.lehton@sd71.bc.ca feel free to contact them if you have any questions.

| Elementary Grade 6/7 Basketball Schedule 2026 | | | | |
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| | BOYS SCHEDULE | | GIRLS SCHEDULE | |
| Week | Home | Away | Home | Away |
| Week 1 January 21 | Aspen Park | Cumberland | Cumberland | Aspen Park |
| | Brooklyn | Robb Road | Robb Road | Brooklyn |
| | Puntledge Park | Huband Park | Huband Park | Puntledge Park |
| | Miracle Beach | Lake Trail | Lake Trail | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile |
| | Queneesh | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile | Gagardi | Queneesh |
| | Valley View | Airport | Airport | Valley View |
| Week 2 January 28 | Airport | Queneesh | Queneesh | Airport |
| | Cumberland | Valley View | Valley View | Cumberland |
| | Puntledge Park | Miracle Beach | Gagardi | Puntledge Park |
| | Huband Park | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile | Huband Park |
| | Robb Road | Aspen Park | Aspen Park | Robb Road |
| | Lake Trail | Brooklyn | Brooklyn | Lake Trail |
| Week 3 February 4 | Valley View | Queneesh | Queneesh | Valley View |
| | Miracle Beach | Airport | Airport | Gagardi |
| | Puntledge Park | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile | Puntledge Park |
| | Huband Park | Brooklyn | Brooklyn | Huband Park |
| | Robb Road | Cumberland | Cumberland | Robb Road |
| | Aspen Park | Lake Trail | Lake Trail | Aspen Park |
| Week 4 February 11 | Miracle Beach | Valley View | Puntledge Park | Queneesh |
| | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile | Robb Road | Robb Road | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile |
| | Queneesh | Puntledge Park | Valley View | Gagardi |
| | Airport | Aspen Park | Aspen Park | Airport |
| | Brooklyn | Cumberland | Cumberland | Brooklyn |
| | Lake Trail | Huband Park | Huband Park | Lake Trail |
| Week 5 February 18 | Queneesh | Huband Park | Huband Park | Queneesh |
| | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile | Miracle Beach | Gagardi | Au Coeur-de-L'Ile |
| | Lake Trail | Puntledge Park | Puntledge Park | Lake Trail |
| | Aspen Park | Brooklyn | Brooklyn | Aspen Park |
| | Cumberland | Airport | Airport | Cumberland |
| | Robb Road | Valley View | Valley View | Robb Road |

Here are the general guidelines for game play:

- All district players must adhere to the [District Student Code of Conduct](#)
- Participation and love of sports is more important than the score of the game!
- All players should be played equally
- Home teams provide a referee for the game
- Games times are 3:00 - 4:00 except at LT and Coeur de L'Ile which start at 3:15
- Games are played with size 6 balls and 10 foot hoops
- Half court defense only
- No ZONE defenses allowed

February lunch ordering is open now! Please connect with Ms Langan if you would like help setting up an account for your child(ren).



Valley View Elementary

Feeding Futures Universal Lunch Program

January 2026



A NEW UNIVERSAL LUNCH PROGRAM IS HERE!

Starting January 19, 2026, a universal lunch program will be available at Valley View Elementary, giving every student the opportunity for nourishing lunch, every school day, regardless of their ability to pay.

Lunches are a suggested price of \$4 each. With support from provincial Feeding Futures funding, we are offering a pay-what-you can model. This means you can pay the full balance, nothing, or anything in between, whatever works for your family.

Please welcome Amber Johansen who has been hired by Comox Valley Schools to coordinate Valley View's lunch program!

What is a Universal Lunch Program?

A universal lunch program ensures all students have equitable access to nourishing food, supporting better learning outcomes, focus, and overall well-being. By offering meals to all students, the program reduces stigma, encourages students to try new foods, and promotes food equity across the school community

How does pay-what-you-can work?

Payments are anonymous. All orders are processed together, and we only see the total amount collected – not individual payment amounts. While recovering food costs will support the long term sustainability of the program, the amount you choose to pay is entirely at your discretion.

How will it work at Valley View?

Monthly menus will be posted online around the middle of the previous month. (For January 2026, online ordering will open on Monday January 12). Families will create a Munch a Lunch account, select the meals their student would like, make a payment at their discretion, and that's it! Meals will be delivered directly to students in their classrooms on the days they've ordered.

If you need support to place an order, please contact Amber Johansen – amber.johansen@sd71.bc.ca

Do I have to pay with a credit card?

Yes, currently, we can only accept online orders paid by credit card. If using a credit card is a barrier, you can select \$0.00 as your payment amount. Cash or cheque donations can be made separately, but they won't be connected to your account or lunch order.

Questions?

Email Amber Johansen at amber.johansen@sd71.bc.ca

How do I place an order?

- Go to www.munchalunch.com/schools/valleyview to create an account.
- Click 'Register Here'
- Add each of your children and their classes (teacher name)
- Go through each menu day, making sure to 'Add' your selections to your cart.
- Click 'Finished' then 'Next' then 'Yes, this is correct' then 'Checkout'
- Complete the pay what you can page and submit your order



"Food insecurity can be silent, universal meals take away the stigma, allowing all children to have access regardless of socioeconomic status"
– Dr. Kimberly Montez



LEARN TO PLAY LACROSSE

FREE
FREE
FREE

LEARN-TO-PLAY SESSIONS

TRY LACROSSE FOR FREE BEFORE THE 2026 SEASON

WHERE

ECOLE PUNTLEDGE
PARK GYMNASIUM
401 WILLEMAR AVE.

WHEN

MONDAYS
FEBRUARY 2ND + 9TH
6 - 7:00 P.M.

BRING

HOCKEY HELMET WITH
A CAGE, HOCKEY OR
LACROSSE GLOVES,
WATER BOTTLE

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

OPEN TO PLAYERS WHO ARE TURNING 5 TO 12 IN THE
CALENDAR YEAR. PARENTS/GUARDIANS MUST SIGN A
WAIVER AT DROP OFF FOR YOUR PLAYER TO PARTICIPATE



GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP 2026

Open to girls
grade 4-5

Coached by members of
the Isfeld Sr Girls
Basketball Team

2 SESSIONS
@ISFELD SECONDARY SCHOOL GYM

2pm-4pm

Saturday and Sunday

February 21

February 22

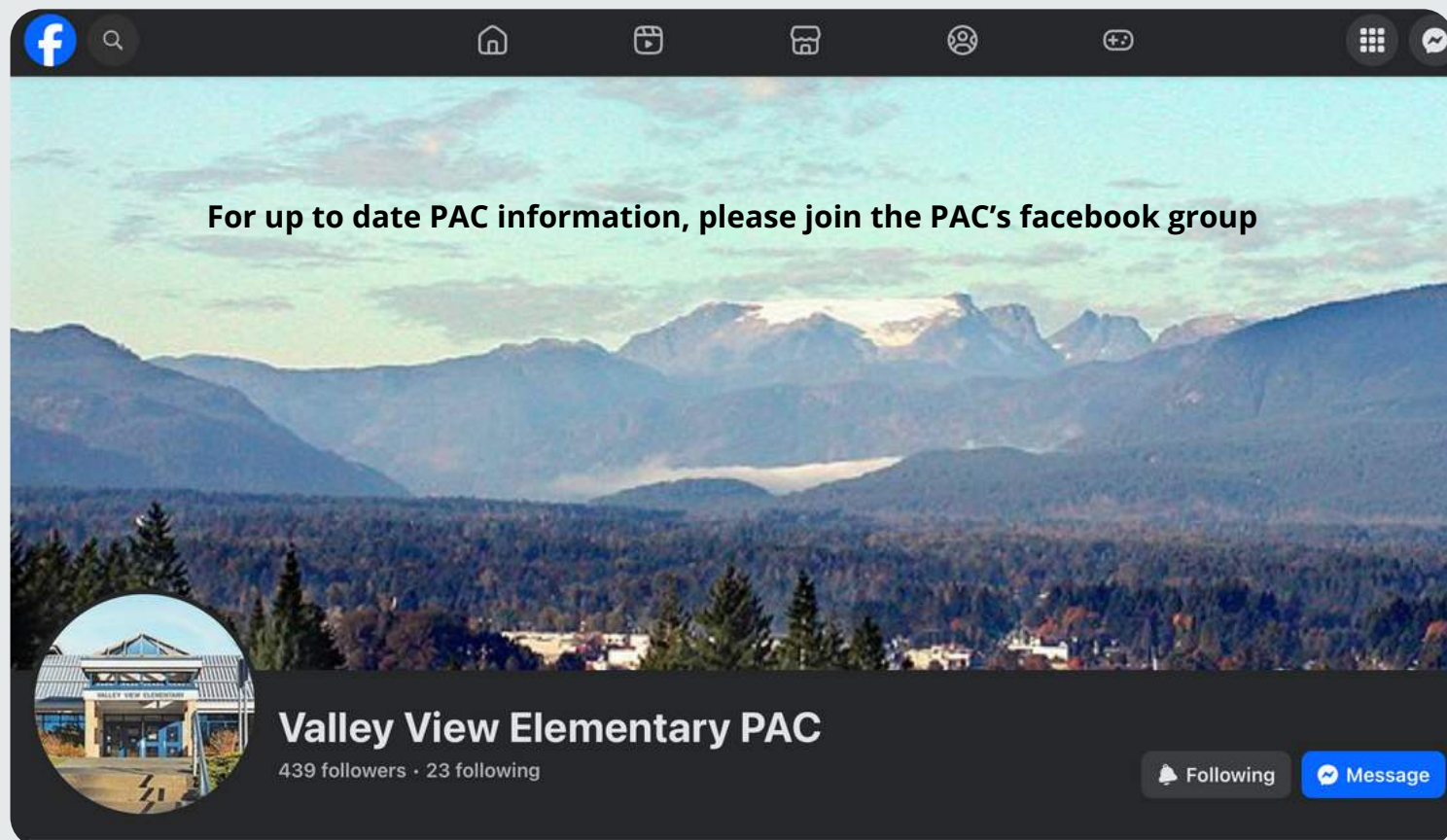
30\$ PER PLAYER

CAPSTONE PROJECT: ALL PROCEEDS GO TO
ISFELD SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM

REGISTER HERE: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe5V6tmcrZOIMMivQfUB5-slzFqBJZXW2c-kCvx_ePHLif2w/viewform?usp=dialog

(Limited Space Available)

Parent Advisory Committee News



Next PAC meeting:
Tues Feb 24th @ 6:30pm

Every parent/guardian is
welcome to attend the
PAC meetings

Come join us!

Camp Homewood Return-It Bottle Fundraiser

- Please continue donating your beverage containers using either the QR code and Return-It app, or the account: [Valley View Elementary Grade 7 grad fundraiser](#).



The grade 7's [thank](#) you for your support!