

# Victoria West Elementary

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NEWSLETTER



February 7, 2025

It's hard to believe we're already in February! The past month brought us some snow, and it was wonderful to see students enjoying the winter fun together.

A quick reminder about our new **crossing guard program**: To help keep everyone safe, we ask families **not** to cross the intersection diagonally by Front Street. If possible, please use our designated crosswalk.

At Vic West, we continue to build a shared understanding of respectful and responsible behavior. Our current focus is on **"Treating others as you would like them to treat you"** and helping students reflect on their actions by asking, **"Am I making a silly choice or a sensible choice?"**

Lastly, a friendly reminder—if you need to pick up your child early, please **sign them out at the office** before leaving.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend!

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Greater Victoria School District No. 61

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# 1000X5

1000 Books by Age Five

Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

3 Books = 1 Gift  
The Challenge Continued

Every week 1000X5 Children's Book Recycling Project donates 800 of your books


**Join the hundreds of families who have taken the three book challenge.** As we head into the holiday season, many families appreciate a bit of help with gifts. And what can be a better gift than a bag of 3 books for babies and toddlers? Every month 1000X5 pops 2400 books in 800 gift bags. In the last three weeks, hundreds of books have arrived for the weekly Wednesday sorting by 10 dedicated volunteers.

Drop your books for babies and preschoolers off in the pink bin, inside the main front entrance.

Thank you! Donations are greatly appreciated.



TIME TO START PLANNING YOUR GARDEN



**West Coast Seeds**  
**PAC Fundraiser**

For the month of **February** West Coast Seeds is supporting our school.  
We earn 40% back on every packet of high quality seeds sold through their fundraising page.

GO TO THEIR WEBSITE  
**FUNDRAISING.WESTCOASTSEEDS.COM**

**SELECT  
VIC WEST ELEMENTARY**

ENCOURAGE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS TO  
PLACE AN ORDER UNDER OUR SCHOOL

ORDERS WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE SCHOOL MID MARCH



FOR YOUR SAFETY!



**Student absences:**

Please email the school [vicwest@s61.bc.ca](mailto:vicwest@s61.bc.ca)

Or leave a message by calling 250-382-9131, select option 1

Please clearly state the child's first and last name.

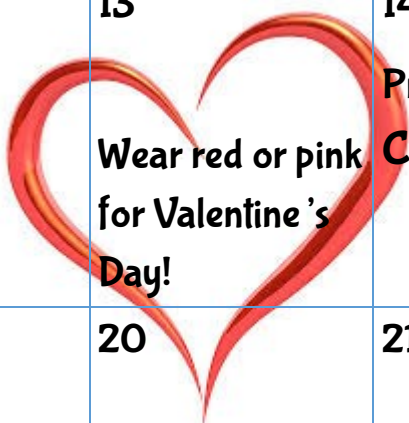
**Students late or leaving early:**

Please make sure the student is signed in at the office and has a welcome slip for the teacher.

When picking up please come to the office to sign out the student, the office will call them to the office.

Thank you for your cooperation!

# FEBRUARY 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Div 3 to Archie Browning	4	5	6	7
10	11	12 PAC mtg	13  Wear red or pink for Valentine's Day!	14 Pro D Day—NO CLASSES
17 NO SCHOOL Family Day	18 Div 16 to Swan Lake	19	20	21
24	25	26 Pink shirt day! KINDNESS GROWS	27	28
<div>Upcoming in March: Spring Break March 17 to March 28</div>				