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## UPCOMING DATES

### October 4-7

Elementary Parent/Student Conferences - NO ELEM LIVE CLASSES!

### October 4-22

Gr 4 & 7 Students: Foundation Skills Assessment Tests (online & written)

October 8 High School Term 1 PR's Issued

October 11 Thanksgiving Day Holiday-No School

October 14 HS P/T/S Conferences in the Afternoon

October 25-29 West Coast Fall Spirit Week Organized by the Grade 12's MORE INFO TO COME

October 27 Reading Buddies Assembly @ 8:40am at this LINK



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Happy October, West Coast Community! This month brings with it so many beloved signs of Fall—brightly coloured leaves, crisp air, and maybe even some of the first skiffs of snow for the northern-most regions of our beautiful country. To me, this season has always represented the cycle of inevitable change in our lives. The falling leaves are a reminder that everything that begins must eventually finish, the crisp air and snow the gentlest of whispers about the coming biting cold that will surround us during the winter months, and also the promise of a new year and new growth in spring. It reminds me of this verse:

### "TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON, A TIME AND PURPOSE UNDER HEAVEN." -Ecclesiastes 3:1

Our world is filled with a lot change at the moment. We have just spent this past week commemorating Truth & Reconciliation in our country. To me, this event brings with it hope that times are changing for us-that, one day, we will be able to come together as people of different backgrounds, cultures, and histories with the united purpose of bringing about peace in our wonderful Canada. Orange is the colour of Fall leaves, but it is also the colour associated with this movement-and I hope that, in coming years, it will become a symbol of a deep understanding of each other's perspective and a renewed commitment to live in love. Change can be challenging, hard, and uncomfortable. It can even mean some missteps along the way. I want to thank our West Coast community for embarking on this journey of change with us, and for exploring new topics with an open heart and mind. We will continue to grow and develop in the years to come. As we do, friends, let's renew our commitment every day to treat others the way Jesus has treated us, with grace, love, and patience. This is the greatest testimony of His character that we can give to the world around us. The world is always changing, but God's love for us remains the same. — Mrs. Kartik

## **Truth and Reconciliation Week**

GENERAL ASSEMBLY SEPT 29 @ 8:40AM

**West Coast Every Child Matters Room** 

Thanks to all students, staff, and parents who participated in our Truth &Reconciliation Week 21/22. It was a great learning experience! You can visit the resources laid out in the Every Child Matters room any time, and continue to do the activities at your discretion throughout the year:

West Coast Every Child Matters Room Our Bricks of Belonging Wall Stained Glass Windows Post

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EVERY CHILD MATTERS.

West Coast Staff Truth & Reconciliation Stained Glass Window

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As a school community, we will continue in our quest to apply the First Peoples Principles of Learning to our instruction and curriculum. We are also committed to continuing to support and uplift the family unit as the primary and most essential mentor of the child.

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### Intermediate (3-5) "The Best Part of Me"





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## The BEST PART of ME!

The best part of me are my hands and arms. My arms and hands help me do the monkey bars. With out them I can't hold stuff, high five, and pick up my cat. I'm so happy I have arms and hands;

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#### Estrella, Grade 3

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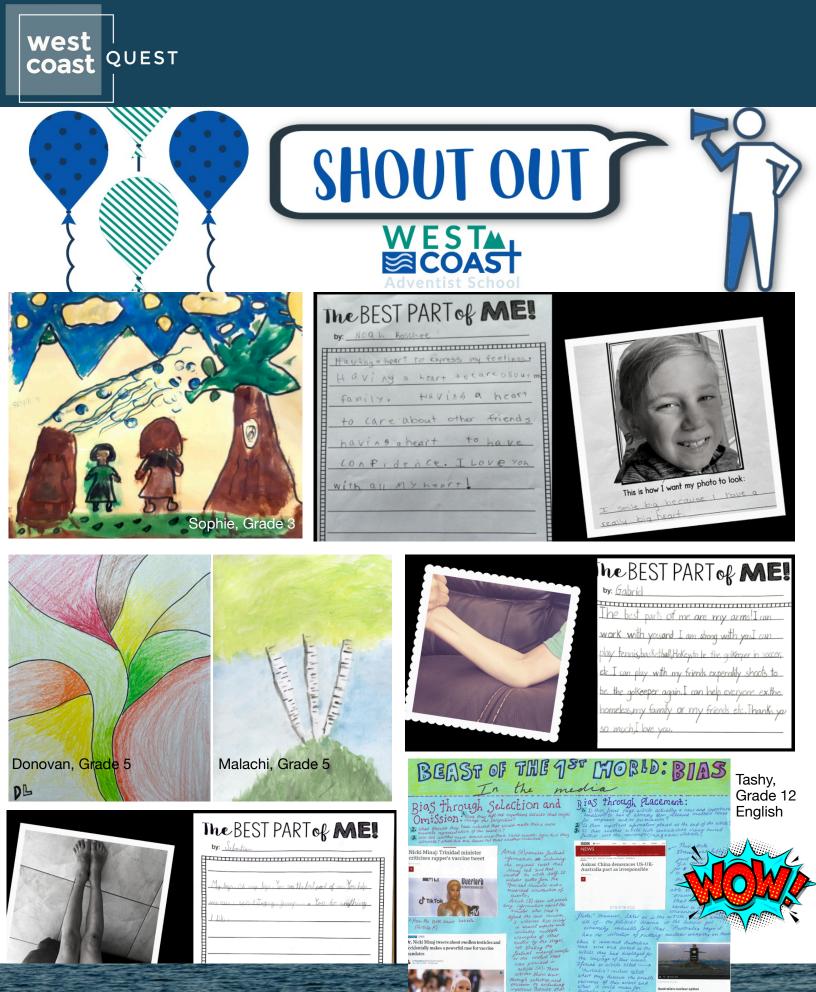
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### Jasmine, Grade 3



Dayana, Grade 12 Culinary Arts



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