

# WEST COAST QUEST

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I AM COME A LIGHT INTO THE WORLD,  
THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN ME  
SHOULD NOT ABIDE IN DARKNESS.

John 12:46



Welcome to April!

Like you, I have been eagerly anticipating the solar eclipse on April 8th! While most of us won't be on that path of a total eclipse, you'll most likely see a partial eclipse. This extraordinary event provides us with a special opportunity to reflect on our theme of shining the light of Jesus into the world. While a solar eclipse may seem contrary to this theme, stick with me.

Just as the moon momentarily obscures the sun's light during an eclipse, we've all faced moments where challenges overshadow our faith and goodness. But let's not forget that just as the sun emerges from behind the moon, the light of our kindness and faith ultimately prevails. Jesus continues to shine His light and does not leave us.

This truth was vividly illustrated through the story Pastor Kwak told us during our East assembly about April, a woman of remarkable faith whose cancer was miraculously healed.



Let this eclipse serve as a reminder that even in moments of darkness, our faith and kindness have the power to illuminate the world.

*Mrs Sutherland*

# HAPPENINGS

**APRIL 17**

HS Term 3 Ends

**APRIL 26**

Elementary & HS Report Cards

**MAY 6-10**

Spirit Week & Reading Buddies  
on May 8th

**MAY 17**

HS Progress Reports Published

**MAY 20**

Victoria Day School Closed

**JUNE 5**

End-of-Year Assembly

**JUNE 6**

Last day of Elementary classes

**JUNE 20**

High School Semester 2 Ends, all  
assignments due by noon

**JUNE 20**

Graduation, live stream 4 pm PDT

**JUNE 25**

K-12 Report Cards Published

## CHECK OUT THE STUDENT HUB



## WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back, everyone! We trust you had an amazing spring break, recharging your batteries and creating wonderful memories. As we return to school, let's carry that refreshed energy into our classrooms and activities. Let's work together to make the most of the time we have left this school year, embracing learning, growth, and fun experiences along the way. Here's to a fantastic journey ahead!

## SEEK & FIND



Search the WCAS virtual school for this potted flower and click it for a surprise!



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“The beautiful thing about learning is that  
no one can take it away from you.”

- B.B. King

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# WHAT WEST COASTERS WERE UP TO DURING

# SPRING break

“I had sleep/chill time.” - **Darius, 9**

“The Spring Concert Our church had with the Vancouver and Surrey SDA Church!!” - **Tysiana, 10**

“I spent time with my sister at her apartment and we played games.” - **Michael, 9**

“Gaming, And not having to be stressed about school” - **Jaxon, 9**

“Going to camp with my friends” - **Isabella, 8**

“I got to meet up with some friends who I haven't seen in about 2 years during a festival.” - **Laiba, 9**

“Hanging out with my friends. I got to drive to Alberta for the first time as the driver.”  
- **Mikayla, 12**

“For spring break, I was busy prepping and delivering a sermon and practicing a lot of parts for youth day, like special music.” - **Sarah, 10**



“Getting new puppies” - **Jakai, 11**

“Sleep” - **Ame, 10**

“Chilling and doing things I like to do without schoolwork on the back of my mind constantly.”  
- **Alide, 10**

“I got to see friends” - **Alyssa, 3**

“I went outside and used the time to draw, color and read.” - **Amy, 4**

“Going to arizona.” - **Addison, 8**

“In my spring break, we did lots of wall climbing!”  
- **Lee, 8**



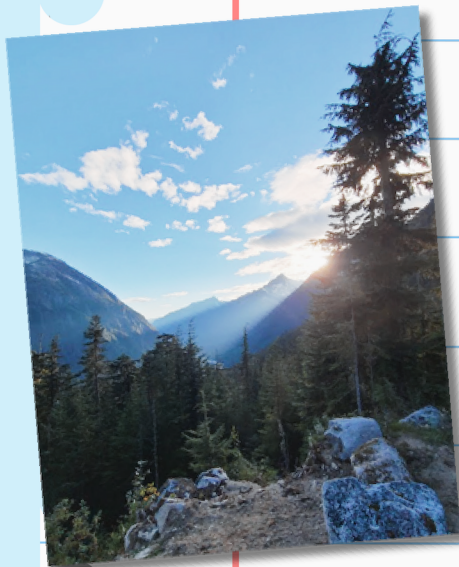
“Spending time with my family (and sleeping in)” - **Orly, 12**

“Easter, video games with my friends and an epic hike” - **Isaiah, 10**

“My team started playing baseball games.” - **Travis, 11**

“Easter, especially our Easter hunt.”  
- **Jaymie, 1**

“Working.”  
- **Lucas, 12**







“Doing fun activities like going to the pool, visiting Yellowpoint Farm, and getting my hair cut for the first time ever!” - **Jenna, 2**

“Riding the subway train and visiting the mall” - **Josiah, 4**

“Going to Vancouver International Car Show 2024” - **Josh, 8**

“Seeing my little cousins and second cousin.”  
- **Hadley, 5**

“Pathfinder Bible Experience.” - **Jacob, 7**



# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

— AT WEST COAST —

We are thrilled to announce the initiation of the Principal's List and the Honor Roll for all K-12 students, commencing at the end of April!



## **Honor Roll (Grades K-12)**

Grades K-8 students who are:

- Meeting Expectations in the majority of courses
- Up-to-date with monthly submissions and monthly reports

Grades 10-12 students who are:

- Achieving 73% or above in core courses
  - English, Math, Science and Social Studies
- Up-to-date in all synchronous courses

K-12 students must also satisfy the following additional criteria:

- Regularly attends live classes, including assemblies
- Participates in all live classes & school activities
- Communicates in a positive manner with classmates and teachers

## **Principal's List (Grades 10-12)**

- Same requirements as Honor Roll status
- Above 90% average across all courses

\*Students with submissions that include academic dishonesty will be disqualified.





# MRS. ERIN SUTHERLAND



## ABOUT ME:

My family and I are fully immersed in the West Coast lifestyle, residing on Vancouver Island and embracing online schooling with West Coast. My husband, Ben, and our children, Hadley and Mattias, are thriving while enjoying their studies and remote work from our dining room. My teaching journey was sparked by my experience as a student missionary in Costa Rica at the SDA University of Central America. Following that adventure, I pursued a BA in Geography and a PDPP in Education from UVic, and I've been at WCAS ever since!

## Fun Facts:

**Favourite colour:** "Greeny-blue" was what I always answered when my grandma asked what colour sweater she should knit for me each winter. Now I'd call it HEX#80ADAO

**Go-to snacks/drinks:** Donuts! (as if you had to ask) (I made the pink one in the photo)



**Favourite sports team:** Scuderia Ferrari Formula 1

**Hobbies:** Urban sketching, watercolour painting, and playing Irish tunes with my extended family. I'm currently working on mastering Butterfly, Irish Washerwoman and Drowsy Maggie on my tin whistle.

**Movies and music preferences:**  
Pride and Prejudice (2005 version)

**Random fact:**  
If I had a pet, it would be a donkey.

## What excites you about WCAS?

Being part of West Coast School is exciting because I see the big picture of all our West Coast families experiencing education in a way that meets individual needs while integrating Christian values. Witnessing students thrive academically and spiritually fills me with joy, knowing that our school is making a positive impact on their lives.





# TREASURE MAP GAME!

Solve maths problems and get to the treasure!

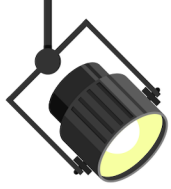




# WHERE DID BEAR GO?

Can you help Mrs. Wixwat find her dog, Bear?





# STUDENT

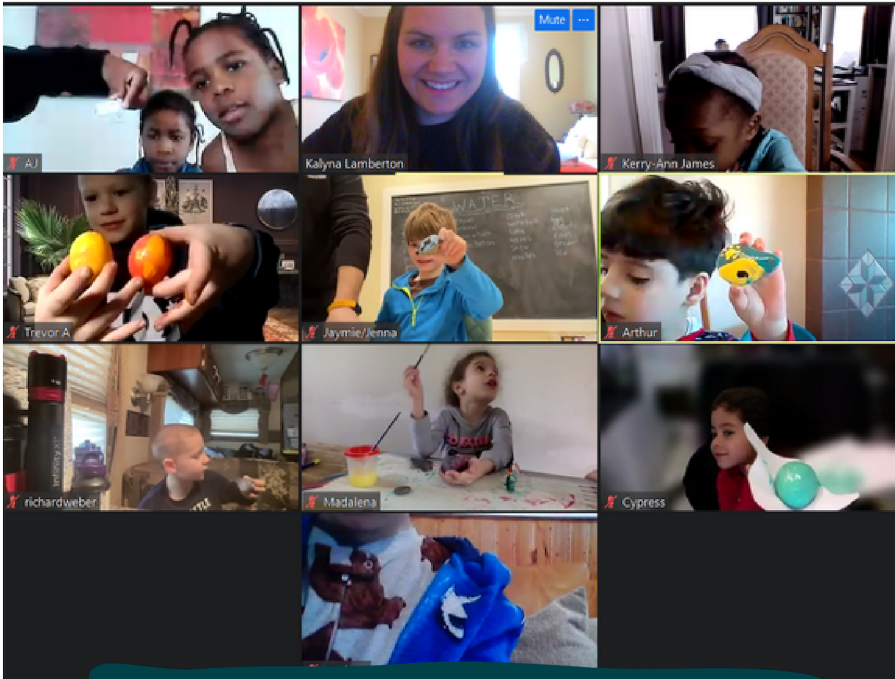
## Spotlight



Tyson did curling for PHE gr5 class!



Estrella made a drawing to demonstrate the benefits of drinking water (gr5)



Easter Rock painting in K-1 Foundations class - how fun!

Jaymie & Jenna learning about water during science class



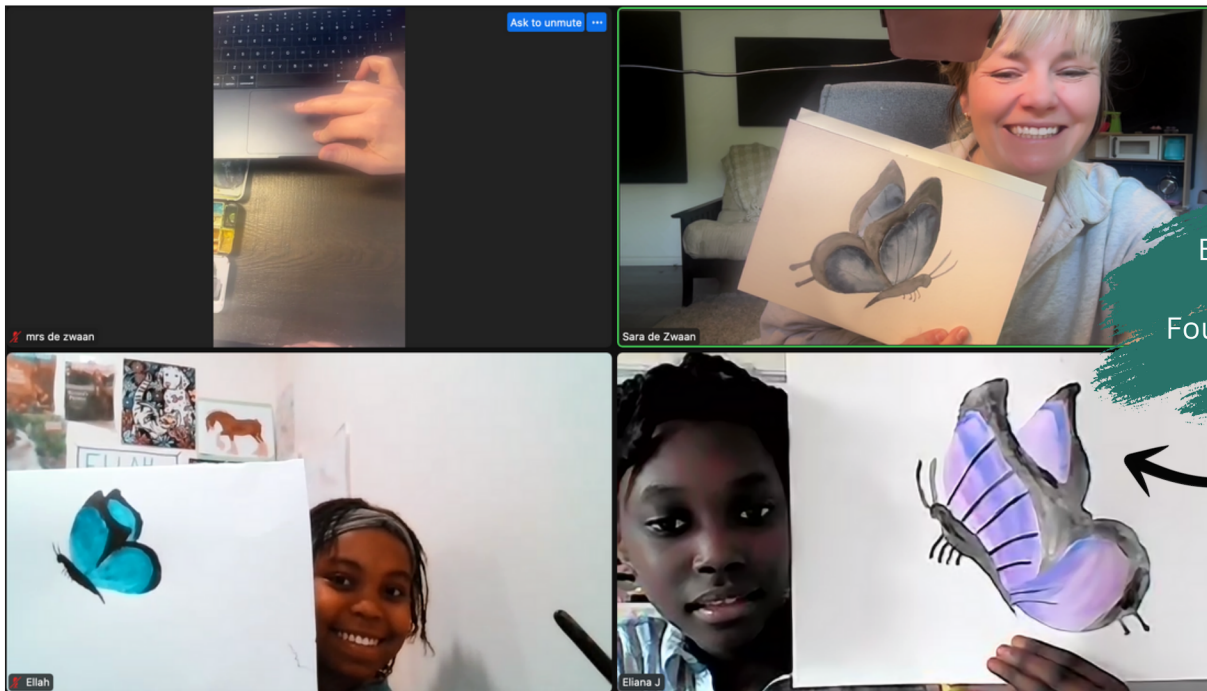




BC First Peoples 12 class made Bannock during live class



Easter lilies being made in the Foundations 3 class



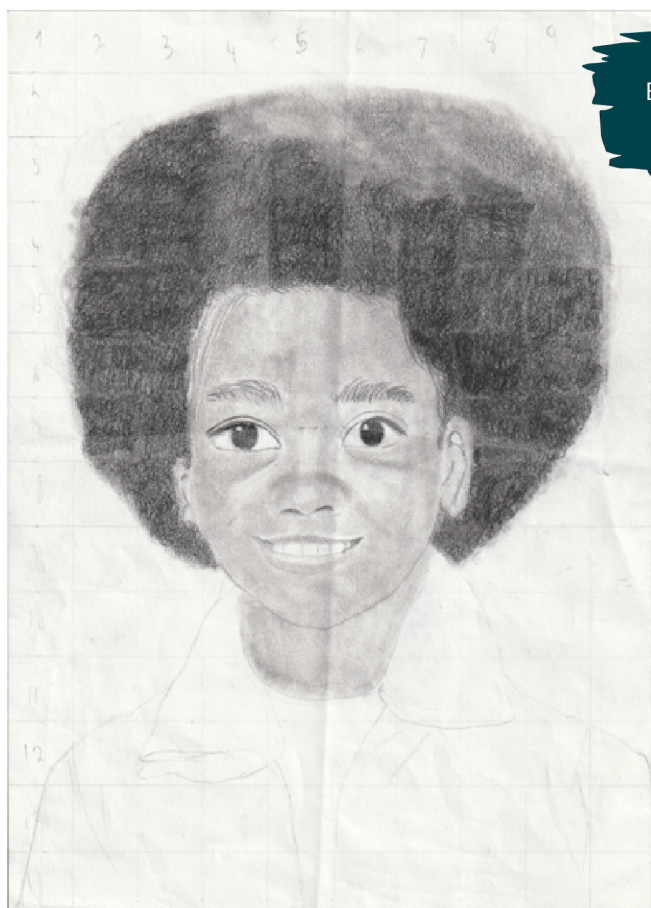
Butterfly water colours in Foundations 3 class







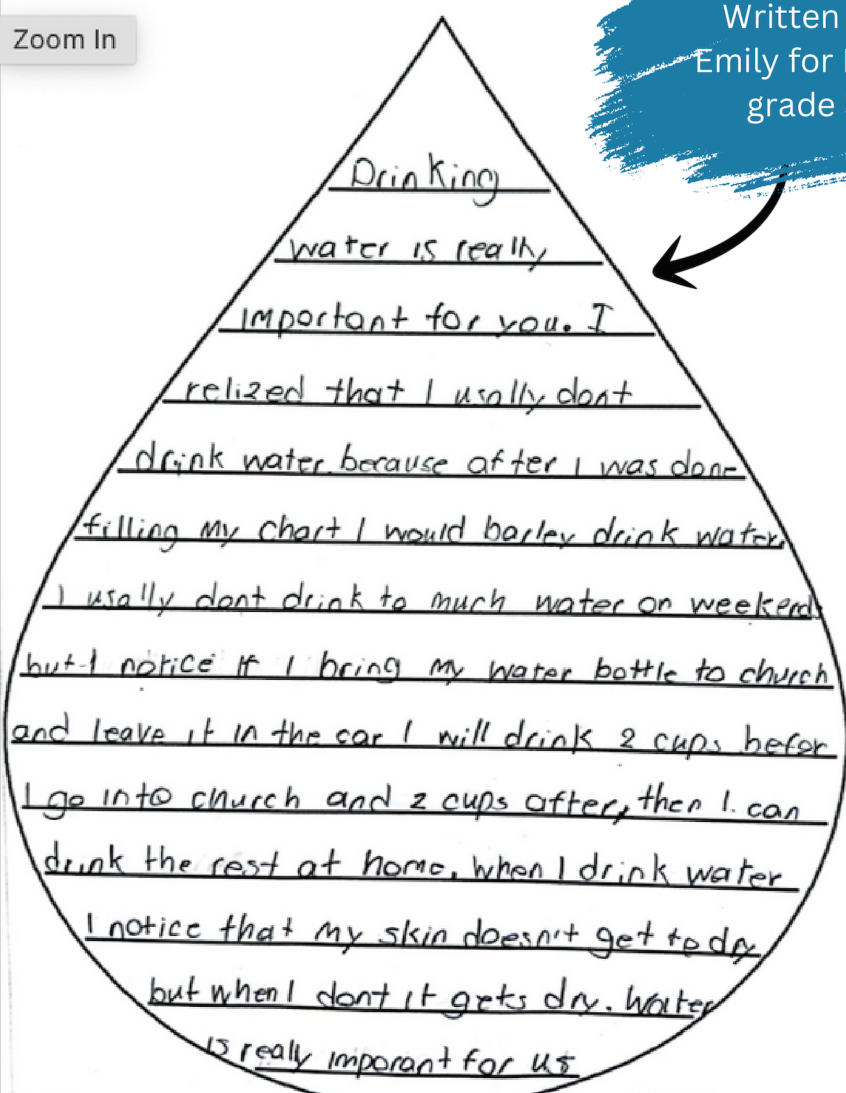
Ellah (gr6) did a drawing for art - great job!



Jenna and Jaymie at a reptile exhibit

Zoom In

Written by  
Emily for PHE,  
grade 5



## Hey West Coasters!

If you have pictures of school work you've completed, a family trip you've taken, a place you've visited, or something you've done in your community, send it to the email below to be featured here! We'd love to see!

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