GLENEAGLES CH'AXAY ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

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Gratitude & Staying Healthy… a message from Mr. Campbell

We are grateful for the efforts all our GEC and Lions Bay families are taking to stay healthy and safe while living through the pandemic. On a recent Zoom call with some families in certain portions of Ontario, colleagues and friends were amazed by the fact that I was on the call from my school office and that my students had just left the building moments before. It made me quickly realize how much we may take for granted these days living where we do. Despite the endless hand washing, health checks, Groundhog Day moments, our efforts are making a difference. The ability to have our kids in school, practicing with their community teams, to have routines and freedoms that are not entirely locked down by the pandemic… has been a gift. The recent weather we have enjoyed, with clear skies and sunny days aren't anything to scoff at either. In short, my message is to continue exercising diligence, making those sacrifices and exercising caution. The light is beginning to shine at the end of this tunnel and with some luck and hard work we will manage to come out stronger.

Hot Lunch Orders

The Hot Lunch ordering system will be open for 4 days from **Thursday, Jan 21 to Sunday, Jan 24th (midnight)** to allow parents to make changes to an existing Hot Lunch order. Parents can also submit a new order during this time if you missed the previous ordering session. As the vendors require the orders 7 days in advance, any changes/new orders will only take effect from

February 2nd onwards. This will be the only time you will be allowed to make changes to your order for the Term 2 Hot Lunch session.

To Make Changes to an existing Order:

- Log in to Munch-a-Lunch at https://munchalunch.com/schools/gleneagles/
- Click "Edit" next to the order you want to change and follow the instructions.
- The system will remove "future dates" from your order and place the previously selected items back into your shopping cart, so you don't have to start from scratch. The system will take you to the lunch menus where you can add/remove items as desired.
- You must then go to the last menu > click Finished > Next > Next > Submit.
- **Please note that if you start the process of "editing" your order, you must finish it or your entire order will be cancelled (even if you decided not to change anything).**

If the changes you make result in a refund, you will receive a credit into your Munch-a-Lunch account that you can use at a later date. If the changes you make result in you having to pay more, you will be required to pay the difference. **Please note, that the amount owing will initially be shown for the entire order (not just for your changes) but the system knows you have already paid a portion previously so it will adjust at the very end and you will only be required to pay any difference in price.** Please check carefully to you make sure your order has been paid as any unpaid orders will result in your entire order being cancelled!

If you have any questions, please email Kirstie, our Hot Lunch coordinator, at **gechotlunch@gmail.com**.

Lockdown Drill

Students and staff discussed lockdown procedures today in their individual classrooms. Students viewed a short video about lockdown scenarios and then had an opportunity to ask questions and discuss this topic with their classroom teacher. Constable Braithwaite from WVPD also visited our school to answer any questions on this topic. Typically, a school lockdown is performed when there is a threat detected within the school or outside of the school building.

Throughout the school year, our students and staff practice fire drills, earthquake drills and a lockdown drill to be prepared in the event of any emergency. If you have any questions or concerns regarding lockdown procedures, please contact Mr. Campbell at acampbell@wvschools.ca .

After School program at Gleneagles Community Centre

The YMCA will be extending its Kids Club, a licensed after school care program at the Gleneagles Community Centre. YMCA Kids Clubs provide a healthy solution for families where kids (ages 5 to 12) enjoy quiet and active play, engaging activities and productive time outdoors, each day. In response to the current pandemic, the YMCA Kids Club program has implemented a number of health and safety protocols in accordance with public health guidelines, as the well-being of all participants and staff is the YMCA's top priority.

If you're interested in learning more about Gleneagles YMCA Kids Club or would like to apply for care, please email ymcakidsclub@gv.ymca.ca .

Daily Health Check

Don't forget to perform a Daily Health Check with your child(ren) prior to drop off each morning. Parents are asked to keep this form as a handy reference to be used each day. The digital form also contains links to the BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC) and is a helpful guide for everyone to consider if your child is presenting any symptoms. Please take a moment to read through the Daily Health Check and inform yourself as to the protocols in place.

We do our best to keep our community apprised of developments in the health and safety of all of our students, staff and families. However, GEC & LB school administration is under strict guidelines in regard to the communication around school community transmission of COVID-19. The Vancouver Coastal Health Authority investigates and confirms any possible transmission or infection that could affect our community. VCH is the only entity that will provide guidance and recommendations to the community via the school administration.

The WV Schools Covid-19 Protocols and Guidelines are located here for your reference. Thank you.

Dates to Remember:

Thursday, January 21st	Lockdown Review Circles program, Divs. 3 & 6
Thursday, January 28th	Circles Program, Divs. 3 & 6
Friday, January 29th	Pro-D Day
Thursday, February 4th	Circles Program, Divs. 3 & 6
Friday, February 5th	Spirit Day

Parent Evening Workshop – The Askable Adult
Thursday, January 28th at 6:30 pm
This workshop is available for all WVSD parents and will be facilitated by Jessica Wollen, certified Health Educator from Shift Education. Please refer to the attached document for detailed information and registration.

West Vancouver Schools continues to offer a variety of opportunities for our students. In preparation for the 2021-2022 school year, information will be provided to families very soon through video-recorded links on the district's website.
For more information, please see below:

West Vancouver Schools Ignite Your Passion (IYP) Programs
For a detailed list of the IYP programs being offered by West Vancouver Schools for the 2021-2022 school year, please see the link: https://westvancouverschools.ca/programs/ignite-your-passion. Beginning the first week of February, information links for each program's recorded presentation will be provided for parents and students on their respective websites. These recorded video presentations will enable parents and students to hear from our teachers, detailed information about each program along with the process for student registration.

West Vancouver Schools Premier Sports Academies and Premier District Programs
For a detailed list of Sports Academies and Premier District Programs being offered by West Vancouver Schools for the 2021-2022 school year please see the link: https://westvancouverschools.ca/. Beginning the first week of February, links to each academy or program's recorded presentation will be provided for parents and students on the respective websites. These recorded video presentations will enable parents and students to hear detailed information from teachers, coaches or instructors, along with the process for student registration.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this e-bulletin, please contact Mr. Campbell at acampbell@wvschools.ca .