



# GLENEAGLES CH'AXAY ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

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 <p><b>WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS</b></p> <p><b>IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED</b></p> <p><b>RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS</b> Prière de les faire traduire.</p> <p><b>重要資料</b> 請找人為你翻譯</p>	<p>これはたいせつなお知らせです。 どなたかに日本語に訳してもらってください。</p> <p><b>알려드립니다</b> 어것을 번역해 주십시오</p> <p><b>CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG</b> Xin nhờ người dịch hộ</p> <p><b>ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ</b> ਜ਼ਰੂਰ ਆਪਣੇ ਜਿਲੇ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਬੱਚੇ ਨੂੰ ਭੇਜਣਾ।</p> <p><b>INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE</b> Busque alguien que le traduzca.</p>	<p><b>اطلاعات مهم و سودمند</b> لطفاً از یک نفر بخوانید که برای شما ترجمه کند</p> <p><b>ITO AY MAHALAGANG IMPORMASYON</b> Isalin sa wikang tagalog kung hindi maintutuhan</p> <p><b>يرجى ترجمة هذا معلومات هامة</b></p> <p><b>ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ</b> Переведите это, пожалуйста.</p>
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October 19, 2023



### Pro-D Day TOMORROW!

**Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>** is a Provincial Professional-Development Day in our province and all school will be closed on this day as our staff attend professional development sessions.

### Local Wildlife in our Neighbourhood

We have had several reports in the past few days of wildlife in the neighbourhood around Gleneagles. A bear was spotted early yesterday morning walking near the school grounds, as well as several sightings of a coyote in the skate park near the Gleneagles Community Centre area. Students and families should exercise caution when walking to school – students should be accompanied by an adult or walk in small groups.



It is important to note there is no present danger at this time; we are only asking for everyone to be aware. If you spot an animal in our neighbourhood that you feel may be unsafe, please report it to West Van Police Non-emergency line at 604-925-7370.

## Student Admissions

Gleneagles is now accepting registrations for September 2024 – registration is currently open for ALL Kindergarten students as well as in-catchment students entering grades 1 through 7. Registration for out of catchment students will open in mid-January.

Please visit the [West Vancouver Schools Admissions Page](#) to submit your application and for details regarding documentation.

Current grade 7 students who will be attending Rockridge Secondary in September 2024 are not required to submit an online application. Transfer forms will be provided in the spring to our grade 7 students. However, if your first-choice school for grade 8 is NOT Rockridge, then you must complete an online application according to these [student registration timelines](#).

## Individual Student Photo retakes

Photo retakes will be held on **Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 am**. If your child requires a retake photo, please ensure that they are made aware so that we can ensure that they visit the photographer.

## Fall Fair – please join us on October 27<sup>th</sup>!

Our GEC PAC is holding a Fall Fair after school in the gym on **Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** and everyone is invited to attend! This is an after-school event and will commence at 2:35 pm. ***Please note that tickets must be purchased in advance and children should be accompanied by an adult to attend this event.***

Come and enjoy the ‘Whittall Pumpkin Patch’, carnival games, yummy treats and more! Tickets are \$20 per child and include a pumpkin, hot dog, popcorn, and cotton candy. Additional food will be available for purchase, so please bring some toonies and loonies.

**All tickets must be pre-purchased in advance through [Munch-A-Lunch](#)**. If you don’t have a Munch-A-Lunch account and would like to buy a ticket, please email [gecpacchair@gmail.com](mailto:gecpacchair@gmail.com).

**Tickets will only be available for purchase until midnight on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.**

**We are looking for some volunteers to help with the Fall Fair! If you can spare some time and want to have fun, please follow this link to help out: [Fall Fair Volunteers](#)**

**We need help with face painting, food stands, our cake walk and much more! Thank you.**



### GEC Scares Hunger in support of the Harvest Project

Did you know that about 811 million people worldwide suffer chronic hunger? Approximately 50 million of these people are facing emergency levels of hunger.

We can do our part to help by collecting non-perishable food products to donate to our annual **GEC Scares Hunger** campaign. This event will run from October 23<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>. All non-perishable food items we collect will be donated to the Harvest Project.

- **Our goal: To collect 500 nonperishable food items!**
- **Most Needed Items include: Peanut Butter & Spreads, Canned Fruit & Fruit Cups, Granola Bars, Cookies & Crackers, Coffee 1 lb. pack ground, Flour, Sugar, Salt, Pepper (all 1 to 2 lbs. packs max.), Oil & Vinegar- 500 ml bottle, Pasta & Rice - 1 lb. pack, Canned Tuna & Salmon**



## Feeding Futures: Universal Snack Program (K-3)

The province's [Feeding Futures](#) program is a new Ministry of Education & Child Care initiative focused on investing, building, and expanding local school food programs by developing universal, barrier free access to nutritional meals and snacks to students at no cost.

As part of West Vancouver Schools Feeding Futures Initiative, a K-3 Universal Snack Program (USP) will be launching in all Kindergarten to grade three classrooms during the week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are excited a healthy snack will be offered to our primary students once a week. A letter with further details was sent home today to all families of our K-3 students.

## Halloween Costumes

All students at Gleneagles are welcome to come to school in costume on **Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**.

**Please adhere to the following guidelines around costumes:**

- Students should arrive at school in costume; no changing should be required
- Students should be comfortable in their costume choice and not restricted by their clothing. Clothing should not interfere with student learning.
- NO accessories of any kind are permitted (no wands, swords, weapons or other handheld items)
- Makeup must be kept to a minimum; consider a 'paired down' version of your child's costume
- NO costume masks are permitted, children's faces should be visible
- Costumes should be school appropriate for K to 7; and should be culturally respectful



Classrooms will be hosting a variety of activities related to Halloween. Our primary classes will continue with their tradition of "parading to the Community Centre". Please check in with your child's classroom teacher if you are unsure of the We are looking forward to a fun-filled day!

***Following Halloween, we ask families to use discretion in sending candy to school. We encourage students to bring a healthy snack and nutritious lunch each day. Candy should be enjoyed at home. However, should your child wish to bring a treat, we ask they follow our 2 treat maximum for 2 school days rule; no sharing of treats or food is permitted amongst students. Thank you for following this effort to enjoy our Halloween treats in moderation and prepare our students in the best way possible for learning at school.***

## Daily Health Checks

Parents are asked to do daily health checks of children before sending them to school. As flu and cold season is upon us, we ask for your assistance to ensure that your child is healthy and well

enough to participate in normal school activities. If your child is unwell, please report their absence through the school Call Back Line at 604-981-1360.

Parents are also reminded that communicable diseases should be reported to your classroom teacher or to the school office. This would include lice, chicken pox, measles, etc.

**TAKE A PEEK ONCE A WEEK:** We have had several cases of lice reported in our classrooms recently, and parents are reminded to continue doing daily health checks of your child’s hair and scalp before sending your child to school. Your assistance goes a long way in helping us to keep everyone healthy at school! Thank you for your assistance.



**Dates to Remember:**

Friday, October 20 <sup>th</sup>	Pro-D Day – school not in session
October 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 31 <sup>st</sup>	GEC Scares Hunger (food drive)
Tuesday, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	Gr 7 Volleyball game #2, 3:30 pm – Girls @ Bowen Island, Boys @ GEC
Wednesday, October 25 <sup>th</sup>	ELL Tea, 8:30 am Fieldtrip to Van Dusen Gardens, grades 1 & 2
Friday, October 27 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Day Photo Retakes, 9:00 am PAC Fall Fair, 2:35 – 4:30pm (Gym)
Tuesday, October 31 <sup>st</sup>	Halloween! Gr 7 Volleyball game #3, 3:30 pm – Girls @ GEC, Boys @....
Friday, November 10 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day Assembly, 10:45am
Monday, November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day observed – <b>School not in session</b>
Tuesday, November 14 <sup>th</sup>	District Wide Reading Break – <b>School not in session</b>

**WV Minor Hockey Girl Power**

West Vancouver Minor Hockey Association’s 3rd annual ‘Girl Power’ event is this Friday, October 20th from 1 - 4 p.m. at West Van Arena. This **FREE event** is open to all girls living in West Van from 5 - 18 years of age. No experience is necessary! There will be on-ice and off-ice sessions and even a pizza party! Gear will be provided for those new to the sport. That evening all interested girls can attend a UBC Thunderbirds female hockey game vs Trinity Western (transportation not provided). Tickets are free for Girl Power participants + 1 adult each! Please register [HERE](#) by October 16th or as soon as possible to secure your spot.

## Pumpkin Sale at Rockridge



## Special Offer from Kay Meek

Kay Meek Theatre is offering discounted tickets to the following concerts

- Trio Fibonacci – Apply code TRIOF5
- Serenades and Divertimenti – apply code VETTA

Link to the website: <https://kaymeek.com/events/triofibonacci-1022>