



GLENEAGLES CH'AXAY ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

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November 16, 2023

Student Learning Updates

Student Learning Updates (report cards) for all students will be published on December 8th. In preparation for this, parents are asked to log into their MyEd BC Family Portal account.

The Family Portal is where all parents will go to access their child's Learning Update as well as Individual Student Plans (IEP's), ELL grades (AIP's) and other student data which is part of our school database, MyEd BC. This is an important component of how our school delivers student information to parents and families and will be used all the way through high school. It is important that parents set up this account and save a pdf copy of your child's reports as hard copies will not be sent home and will not be provided from the school office.

New this year: all reports will remain in your Family Portal account until July 31st, 2024. This allows parents plenty of time to download and save a copy of their child(ren)'s report.

If you are a new family to our school District, you will have received an email from the MyEd BC server on November 15th inviting you to initialize your Family Portal account - you may need to check your junk folder if you do not see an email in your inbox. Please follow the instructions in that email carefully to initialize the account by replacing the temporary password. This must be done on a COMPUTER and will not work on a phone or tablet.

Parents are asked to familiarize themselves with the Family Portal site: MyEd BC Login

Many helpful resources which can assist you with this process are located here: [WVS MyEd BC Family Portal Guides](#)

Please contact Ms. Pistilli in the school office if you need assistance mapistilli@wvschools.ca.

In-School Tennis Program

Our school-wide Tennis program will start on **Monday, November 20th and run for two weeks through to December 1st**. This program will be run by instructors from [CJ Tennis](#) and will provide hands-on instruction in the fundamentals of the game.

All classes will participate in multiple sessions over the two-week period and the fee for this program is \$10.00/student. **Parents are asked to check their [School Cash Online](#) accounts for this item; please make all payments prior to November 20th**. Did you know that tennis is a good sport for maintaining health, fitness, strength, and agility? It is a family-friendly game that can be played at all ages. We look forward to welcoming CJ Tennis back at Gleneagles.



Lockdown Drill

Earlier today, all students participated in a lockdown drill, under the guidance of Gleneagles VP, Ms. Philip and members from the West Vancouver Police Department. This is a routine drill that is practiced each year and is designed to protect occupants from external harm or contain the movement of occupants when an intruder is present in the building. This is discussed with students in an age-appropriate manner and our community Police members are very adept at supporting this drill and answering questions for students.

The lockdown drill plays an important part of our Emergency Preparedness procedures at Gleneagles, along with routine fire and earthquake drills. The Emergency Student Release drill originally scheduled earlier this past month will be rescheduled in the Spring and a date will be shared with parents soon.

Scholastic Book Fair

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be here next week! **We are still looking for volunteers to help at the fair!** If you can help, even for a short shift, please sign up using this link: [Book Fair Volunteers](#). Thank you in advance!

Students will have an opportunity to browse and make purchases during their scheduled class time. The fair will also be open to students during morning and lunch recess times on Wednesday and Thursday only according to preset schedules, and this will be communicated with students during morning announcements.

Tuesday, November 21 st	8:30 to 9:30 am – parent only shop & mingle event 2:35 to 3:30 pm – parent/student sales
Wednesday, November 22 nd	8:00 to 8:30 am – parent/student sales 2:35 to 3:00 pm – parent/student sales 6:00 to 6:30 pm – parent Open House prior to PAC Meeting
Thursday, November 23 rd	8:00 to 8:30 am – parent/student sales 2:35 to 3:00 pm – parent/student sales



From the GEC PAC

The next PAC Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 22nd at 6:30 pm** in the school Learning Commons. This meeting will be preceded by a parent open house from 6:00 to 6:30 pm to preview the Scholastic Book Fair items, so come early and get a head start on your Holiday shopping! Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Please follow the links below for the GEC PAC Agenda for November 22nd. A vote will take place during this meeting on the proposed revisions to the existing PAC Bylaws (also linked below). We look forward to seeing many of our parents attend this meeting, if you have any questions, please contact Emily Gardiner at gecpacchair@gmail.com.

- [GEC PAC Agenda, November 22nd 2023](#)
- [Proposed Revisions to GEC PAC Bylaws](#)

Movie Fundraiser hosted by our GEC PAC

Join your GEC friends and families on **December 22nd** to watch “Trolls Band Together” at Cineplex Park Royal! Celebrate the start of Winter Holidays with this fun event. ***Note: there is an early dismissal at school at 12:15pm on this day.***

The cost is \$20 per student or sibling, and \$30 per adult. Tickets must be purchased in advance through the [Munch-A-Lunch website](#).

****Please note that kids in Grades K to 3 must be accompanied by an adult.** Parents have the discretion of letting children in Grades 4 and above attend unaccompanied.

When: Friday, December 22nd

Time: 2:30 to 4:05 pm (doors open at 2 pm)

Where: Cineplex Park Royal



Grade 7 Fundraisers – place your orders now!

In preparation to say goodbye to Gleneagles Ch'axáy's grade 7 class of 2024, the grade 7 parent committee is launching a fundraiser to support their year-end celebratory activities which will be held in June. We have partnered with **Growing Smiles** to offer you Christmas seasonal arrangements. Please purchase items directly through the link provided below prior to **November 24th**.

Delivery is scheduled for Wednesday November 29th from 2-4pm in the school gym at Gleneagles Elementary School via the outside door. For those that are unable to pick up during this time frame, home delivery can be arranged at \$5/delivery. Delivery fees will be donated back to the fundraising campaign. To arrange delivery please contact Jill Fujibayashi at jillfuji@hotmail.com.

On behalf of the Gleneagles Ch'axáy Elementary Grade 7 class of 2024, thank you for your support! Please share this with your family and friends if they would like to make a purchase.

[Gleneagles Growing Smiles Fundraiser](#)

The second fundraiser in support of our Grade 7 Farewell is **Two Rivers Meats**. Stock up for winter with fine local meats that are free from antibiotics, hormones, and chemical feed additives. Please purchase items directly through the link provided below by **November 26th**.

[Two Rivers Meat Fundraiser](#)

Delivery is scheduled for December 7th from the exterior door located at the Learning Commons, in the front parking lot, or email Shevaun Brown at shevaun@thebrownswestvan.ca to request home delivery (\$5/delivery). Delivery fees will be donated back to the fundraising campaign.



Thank you for your support and please share these links with your family and friends if they would like to make a purchase.



Save The Date

Gleneagles Ch'axáy is pleased to announce that our winter concert will be held over two nights. Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, December 12th and Wednesday, December 13th**. Performances will begin at 6:30pm. Detailed information will follow in next week's bulletin – stay tuned!

Drop-off and Pick-up Reminders

A reminder for parents to follow the parking and traffic regulations in and around our school during drop-off and pick-up times, especially at the front of the school. Gleneagles is a busy place during these high-volume times and we appreciate your attention to the following:

- The speed limit for school zones is 30 km/hr
- Do not stop in the drive thru lane (1) at the front of the school, this is for thru traffic only
- Do not park in the pullover drop and go lane (2), this is for quick drop off only (ie. Kiss and Go)



- Please park in designated parking areas, do not block staff parking or neighbor parking
- Be alert and cautious; there are many children moving through these areas and it is quite dark during morning drop off
- Do not stop in pedestrian cross walks

District Food Security Plan

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare [Feeding Futures initiative](#), the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to their school principal if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect and confidentiality.

Winter Weather

Rain, Snow, Cold temperatures and Sun! This is a reminder as we head into fall/winter that at GEC we go outside for recess and lunch every day, RAIN or SHINE. Students are outside for at least 40 minutes each day and we want to make sure they are warm and dry.

Please ensure your child/ren come to school in appropriate waterproof clothing and footwear. It helps make our learning a lot more fun when we are dry, warm, and regulated! Thank you!



Winter Weather School Closures

Our school District endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including those with accumulating snowfall ([Weather Closures and Procedures](#)). Any decision to close schools will be made by the Superintendent and will be based on the safety of students and staff. **Please check the [school district website](#) for the most current information on school closures.**

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:

November 20 th to Dec. 1 st	In-school Tennis Program, all classes
November 21 st to 23 rd	Scholastic Book Fair in the Learning Commons
Tuesday, November 21 st	Gr 7 Boys Volleyball Jamboree at Rockridge, 1:30 pm
Wednesday, November 22 nd	Scholastic Book Fair Parent Evening, 6 to 6:30 pm GEC PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm
Thursday, November 23 rd	Gr 7 Girls Volleyball Jamboree at Rockridge, 1:30 pm
Wednesday, November 29 th	Plant Sale (fundraiser) pick in the gym, 2:30 to 4:00 pm
Friday, December 1 st	Roots of Empathy program, Div. 10
Monday, December 4 th	Pro-D Day (school not in session)

Bonfire at the Beach

CAROLING BONFIRE AT THE BEACH

LOCATION: EAST BEACH, BESIDE FERRY TERMINAL

DATE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8th, 6:30-8:30PM



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