



GLENEAGLES CH'AXAY ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

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December 21, 2023

Winter Break



A reminder for families that tomorrow, Friday, December 22nd is the last half day of school prior to Winter Break. Early dismissal is in effect on this day at 12:05 pm and the Lions Bay bus will be departing GEC at approximately 12:15 pm.

From the Desk of Mrs. Evans



As we head into our Winter Break, I want to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to the entire Gleneagles Ch'axáy community. We are so fortunate to have such connected and caring partnerships with our families. From sharing a meal together at the Welcome Back Open House in September, to the Fall Fair

hosted by our PAC in October, our recent Winter Concert in December, and all of the many, many wonderful events in between, it has been an amazing fall. Thank you for your support and kindness; whether it be volunteering in classrooms, on fieldtrips, or as a member of our PAC executive, providing lunch for the staff, or hosting a book fair, we are incredibly appreciative and grateful for all you do.

This Winter Break, I hope you find and embrace the gift of time and togetherness with your family. Whether it be cozing up by the fireplace, playing boardgames, watching holiday movies, travelling

to a far off destination, or staying close to home, I hope you are able to take time to slow down and find joy and comfort in the simple moments.

On behalf of the Gleneagles Ch'axáy staff, wishing you and your family a restful and relaxing Winter Break. Happy Holidays! We look forward to seeing you back on January 8, 2024.

Warmly,

Robyn Evans
Principal

Hot Lunch Ordering Is Now Open!

Place your orders now for Term 2! The Hot Lunch ordering system is open, and families are asked to place their orders now. To account for the Winter break and how busy life can be at this time of year, **we'll be keeping hot lunch open until January 1st.** After that date no orders can be accepted until we open up again for changes and new orders in mid-January.



Lunches for Term 2 will be delivered from Tuesday, January 9th right up until the last day before Spring Break, March 15th. **Login to [Munch-A-Lunch](#) now to place your orders!**

Term 2 After School Clubs – registration now open!

The following clubs are in place for Term 2 and registration is now open:

Mixed Media Arts Studio Grades 1 to 5 Mondays, 2:45 to 4:15 pm Jan. 8 to March 11 th (no class on Jan. 29 & Feb. 19)	Join Tracey for a fun art class where we will explore drawing, painting, sculpting, sewing, upcycling, crafting and design. Please use this reg. form.
Multi-Sport Club Kindergarten to Grade 3 Wednesdays, 2:30 to 4:00 pm Jan. 10 to March 13	This program focuses on fun and sport skill improvement through fun games and activities. This is open to all levels of experience. Please register here.
Zen Maker Lab Grades 4 to 7 Thursdays, 2:45 to 4:15 pm	<u>Part 1 Sound Wizardry: Hack Your Headphones with Micro Bit:</u> Customize your headphones, turning them into a personalized audio masterpiece.


<p>*Students require a laptop or iPad for these sessions January 18th to April 25th (no class on Feb. 15, March 21 & 28)</p>	<p>Part 2 Innovate your own AI App: learn to craft a personalized AI experience using a drag & drop interface. No coding experience is needed.</p> <p>Register at Zen ML/Gleneagles</p>
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Dates to Remember:

Friday, December 22 nd	Holiday PJs Day! Last day of school before Winter Break with early dismissal at 12:05 pm
Monday, January 8 th	Classes resume after Winter Break
Tuesday, January 11 th	Future Ravens Parent Information session @ Rockridge, 7pm
Friday, January 12 th	PAC Spirit Wear Contest
Monday, January 15 th	Field Hockey @ GEC, Divisions 5-11
Wednesday, January 17 th	GEC PAC Meeting , 6:30pm, Learning Commons
Thursday, January 18 th	Ice Skating @ West Vancouver Arena, Grades 6 & 7
Tuesday, January, 23 rd	Gr 7 Basketball Game #1


Rockridge Information Night for Grade 8

The following session is being held for Grade 7 Gleneagles Families and other feeder schools to help orient them with the upcoming transition into Grade 8. Please mark your calendars for this event.



SAVE THE DATE!

FOR OUR ANNUAL
**INFORMATION NIGHT FOR
 INCOMING GRADE 8 STUDENTS AND
 FAMILIES**



Date: Thursday, January 11th, 2024
 Time: 7pm
 Where: Rockridge Secondary
 5350 Headland Drive, West Vancouver

Cybersafe Parent Presentation



The poster features a background of a computer keyboard with various social media icons (TikTok, Instagram, Facebook, YouTube) and a hand holding a smartphone. The text is presented in white and red boxes against a dark blue background.

Cybersafe from Exploitation

Parent Presentation

What does exploitation have to do with cyber safety?

Most often times referred to as "sexual exploitation", it involves a minor being taken advantage of sexually. The majority of sexual exploitation is now facilitated digitally through gaming platforms, social media, live stream, and more. Forms of online sexual exploitation include grooming by predatory people, digital blackmail, intimate image sharing, or sugar daddy scams.

What you'll learn:

Our approach to cyber safety is to address the root causes that would lead to exploitation, as well as provide tangible strategies to break down vulnerabilities that would lead children and youth into online sexual exploitation. Some topics covered include:

- Defining sexual exploitation and why online poses more risk
- Current online exploitation trends
- Effective language to use when talking to kids/ teens
- The red flags and warning signs of grooming
- Sexting, digital consent, and the law
- Digital blackmail into sextortion, trends, and what to do
- Information sharing- What is and is not okay
- High risk behaviours on social media platforms
- Addressing risks associated with online gaming platforms
- Age of consent laws and how they can help you as a parent
- How to have effective conversations with your child/ teen



Jan 23, 2024 7:00PM
Kay Meek Arts Centre

Hosted By:



West Van Little League

Registration is open!

Spring baseball for ages 5-16

We have girls only programs this year!

<https://wvll.ca/registration/>