



GLENEAGLES CH'AXAY ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

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 <p>WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED</p> <p>RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS Prière de les faire traduire.</p> <p>重要資料 請教人為你翻譯</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>알려드립니다 어것을 번역해 주십시오</p> <p>CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG Xin nhờ người dịch hộ</p> <p>ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਜਿਸਦੇ ਬਾਰੇ ਜਿਸ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਪਤਾ ਲਗਵਾਓ।</p> <p>INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE Busque alguien que le traduzca.</p>	<p>اطلاعات مهم و سودمند لطفاً از یک نفر بخوانید که برای شما ترجمه کند</p> <p>ITO AY MAHALAGANG IMPORMASYON Isalin sa wikang tagalog kung hindi maintindihan</p> <p>برجی ترجمه هذا معلومات هامة</p> <p>ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ Переведите это, пожалуйста.</p>
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January 11, 2024

From the Desk of Mrs. Evans

Happy New Year and welcome back to all of our Gleneagles families. We hope you had a restful and enjoyable Winter Break. Thank you so much for the kindness and generosity families extended to the staff at Gleneagles for the Holidays! Not only were we treated to an incredible luncheon, put on by the PAC at the beginning of December, but there were many gifts and notes of appreciation shared as well. On behalf of all the staff, thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

It’s hard to believe there only 9 more weeks until Spring Break! It’s going to be a busy term ahead with lots of exciting activities: ice skating, badminton, grade 7 basketball, Lunar New Year, Pink Shirt Day, and more. We look forward to all of these exciting events and more. Please remember to read the ebulletin weekly and classroom emails regularly to stay informed about everything that’s going on.

Parent Input Survey: Framework for Enhancing Student Learning

Every three years, schools in British Columbia establish a Framework for Enhancing Student Learning, also referred to as our ‘FESL’. In order to get feedback from all of our stakeholder groups, we are asking families to take a couple of mins (approx. 5-7) to provide input on how things are going at Gleneagles for your child(ren), by completing this brief [Parent Input Survey](#).

Spirit Wear Contest

This Friday is **Spirit Day** and everyone is invited to come to school wearing your GEC gear or our school colors of black and green! The class with the highest percentage of students wearing PAC purchased Spirit Wear will win a pizza party, courtesy of our GEC PAC. Show us your spirit GEC!



Black Excellence Day

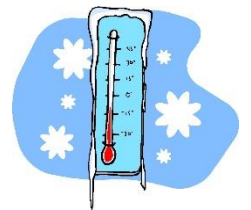
Monday, January 15th marks Black Excellence Day and students at GEC will be recognizing this day through classroom discussions and activities. As a lead up to Black History Month, Black Excellence Day recognizes Black history, art and people and provides a day for us to stand in solidarity with Black Canadians. January 15th is in honour of the great civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. who was born on January 15th, 1929. This is a day to celebrate Black history and learn more about Black Canadians in Canada.



Winter Weather

As we move into January and the winter months, parents are reminded that the **winter weather is upon us and kids should come to school prepared to be outside during recess times with boots, coats and gloves.** Learning is a lot more fun when children are dry, warm and regulated.

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.

GEC PAC Meeting

The next GEC PAC Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 17th, 2024** and will be held in the school library. All parents are invited to attend! Please see the [Meeting Agenda here](#).

Hot Lunch Ordering for Term 2

Thank you to everyone who has placed their orders for Hot Lunch for Term 2.

If you missed the ordering opportunity in December, we will be re-opening the Munch-A-Lunch system to allow parents to place orders or make changes to existing orders. The system will be open from Thursday, January 18th until Thursday January 25th.



Login to [Munch-A-Lunch](#) to place your orders. If you require any help with the Munch-A-Lunch system, please contact our Hot Lunch Coordinator, Jessica, at gechotlunch@gmail.com.

LICE – Please do regular checks

We continue to hear of cases of head lice popping up. We appreciate how much of a nuisance head lice can be. It is really important for families to be diligent in checking your child's head regularly. Lice are persistent and families need to check, treat (if needed), and then re-check and re-treat for a number of weeks to ensure the lice are gone. It is also helpful and recommended for children with long hair to wear their hair tied back in a pony tail or braids. Please inform the school if your child has a confirmed case of lice so that we can notify others in the class, so they can be checking too. If you have any questions, please refer to our [district administrative procedure](#). It will take everyone in our 'village' to help eradicate this ongoing problem. Your support and diligence in regular checks is essential.



Basketball Season

Our grade 7 basketball season will be commencing soon with the first game scheduled for **Tuesday, January 23rd**. All grade 7 students are welcome to join and an informational meeting was held this week for both the girls and boys teams. Permission forms and schedules were handed out to all interested students and these should be returned to school as soon as possible.

All games will be held on Tuesdays after school with practises as follows:

Boys: Thursdays after school and Fridays at lunch recess

Girls: Mondays after school and Thursdays at lunch recess

If your child would like to join one of our teams or if you have any questions regarding the basketball season, please contact Ms. Philip directly at aphilip@wvschools.ca.

Upcoming Activities and Events

We have some fun activities and fieldtrips scheduled for Term 2 (see below) and parents are asked to check their [School Cash Online](#) account for these items and to look for permission forms coming home very soon.

Thursday, January 11 th	Bowling Fieldtrip, Divs. 3 & 4
Monday, January 15 th	Field Hockey in the gym, Divs. 5 to 11
Thursday, January 18 th	Ice Skating at WV Arena, grades 6 & 7
Tuesday, January 23 rd	Virtual Pencil Crayon workshop, Div. 2
Thursday, January 25 th	Ice Skating at WV Arena, grades 4 & 5 Virtual Pencil Crayon workshop, Div. 1
Thursday, February 1 st	Ice Skating at WV Arena, K to grade 3 Gr 7 Tubing at Cypress Mountain, Divs. 1 & 2
February 20 to March 1 st	School-wide Badminton Lessons in the gym, all students

Dates to Remember:

Thursday, 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 Black Excellence Day
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	Online Pencil Crayon workshop, Div. 2 Gr 7 Basketball Game #1 vs. Caulfield
Thursday, January 25 th	Ice Skating at WV Arena, Grades 4 & 5 Online Pencil Crayon workshop, Div. 1
Monday, January 29th	Pro-D Day (school not in session)

West Van Little League

Registration is open!

Spring baseball for ages 5-16

We have girls only programs this year!

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

Cybersafe Parent Presentation



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

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Dance with Vanleena



Neurodiversity and Dance Classes

My name is Miss Tammy and I teach neuro-affirmative dance classes on Tuesdays from 7:00-7:45 pm at the Vanleena Dance Academy, 1457 Marine Drive, our West Vancouver location. All interested families are invited to contact me directly at dance@vanleena.com to learn more about the program (we also offer a free trial class!).