



Gleneagles



Ch'axáy  
ELEMENTARY



LIONS BAY  
SCHOOL

## GLENEAGLES CH'AXÁY & LIONS BAY E-BULLETIN

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Xin nhờ người dịch hộ

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INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE

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ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ  
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

May 16, 2024

### A Message from Mrs. Evans

It has been a busy week at both school sites this week! At Gleneagles last Friday, families were treated to breakfast at our annual Pancake Breakfast, hosted by some the PAC Dads. There was lots of syrup and fun to be had! On Tuesday we welcomed Wali Shah, a poet, author, and motivational speaker. His key messages of resilience, perspective, and always keeping a positive attitude really resonated with our Gleneagles community. This afternoon, we welcomed our newest additions to Gleneagles, our incoming Kindergarten students who will join us, officially, in September. Be sure to check out our [school Instagram](#) for all the highlights!

This week at Lions Bay, students have been working hard to prepare for Jump Rope for Heart and the upcoming Talent Show, and Parent Appreciation Tea.

As we move into the May long weekend, we wish all of our families an enjoyable and restful school break! We look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday.

A reminder that all schools in West Vancouver will be closed on **Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> for staff Professional Development and also on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> for the Victoria Day Holiday.** Enjoy the long weekend! Classes will resume on Tuesday morning.

## GLENEAGLES NEWS

## Track & Field – please pay your fee

**If your child is participating in track and/or field, please note that the \$10 fee is now payable online through School Cash.** If your child is participating in both, there is only one \$10 fee (this covers both track and field).

District-wide Field Meets will be held on **May 29<sup>th</sup>** (for grades 6 & 7) and on **May 30<sup>th</sup>** (for grades 4 & 5) at Westcot Elementary School. The District Track Meet is scheduled for **Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>** at Terry Fox Field (SFU) in Burnaby. Please refer to the permission form for specific, detailed information. ***A detailed email will be sent out to all families whose children are participating in Track and/or Field – please check your inbox for this message.***

## Primary Talent Show

Show us your talent Gleneagles! We will be holding a **Primary Talent Show on Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00 pm** and families are welcome to attend! Auditions will be held on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> during recess times and again on Friday May 24<sup>th</sup> (if needed). A sign-up sheet will be posted next week and interested students in K to grade 3 are asked to sign up for an audition time.

Students may perform individually or in small groups and must limit their performance time to 2 minutes max. Performances should be appropriate for a young audience.

Parents are asked to send a YouTube link or file with your child's musical accompaniment (if needed) to Mrs. Robertson at [mrobertson@wvschools.ca](mailto:mrobertson@wvschools.ca).

## Parent Appreciation Tea

Please save the date and join us on **Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>** as we recognize all of our many volunteers who help us out throughout the year – whether it is helping out in classrooms, organizing events, fundraising, driving on field trips, or any of the many other ways that parents help out at our school, we want to recognize you and show our appreciation!

Please join us in the Learning Commons for some tea and sweets and a special performance by our Primary Choir. **This event will run from 10:15 to approximately 11:15 am.** We hope you can join us!



## GEC PAC Golf Game – Tickets now available!

Calling all golfers and non-golfers!

Join us for our annual PAC Golf Game for the Kids, happening this year on **Friday, May 31st** at Gleneagles Golf Course. Tee off for an afternoon of fun in support of our wonderful Gleneagles school. No golfing experience required. *This event is for adults only.*

Not a golfer? No problem! Buy your ticket for the post-golf social at the Orchard.

All tickets include a beer, burger, and side salads. Golf tickets are limited, so grab yours now!

[Golf Game for the Kids tickets](#)



## Pancake Breakfast

Thank you to the amazing team of Gleneagles dads who put together a terrific Pancake Breakfast last week for our school community. Feeding a lot of hungry kids early in the morning is no small task but they handled it with ease! A big thank you especially to Ian McLaughlin for single-handedly organizing the volunteers and logistics for this event and to Alfie from the local Blenz Coffee shop for providing complimentary coffee. Thank you!



## Grade 7 Car Wash

Our grade 7's held a very successful car wash last Saturday and were kept very busy all morning with a lineup of cars waiting for their turn! Thanks to everyone who came out to support this fundraiser and again, thank you to Alfie from Blenz Coffee for providing hot chocolate for this event. Our grade 7's raised over \$700 to go towards their yearend celebrations.

## School Presentation

This week we had the pleasure of having poet and motivational speaker Wali Shah visit Gleneagles Ch'axáy. As an alumni of the RBC's Top 25 Canadian Immigrants, Wali has delivered TED talks, created poetic messages for a variety of groups and spoken at hundreds of schools across North America. Wali shared his message of social change, kindness, and generosity. He taught our GEC students to empower themselves by being the best versions of themselves and to never give up. Wali's message connects to closely to our GEC community and helps us to always remember our POWER values. "Even in uncomfortable moments we become better by trying our best." Wali Shah.

Please take a look at our Instagram page [@gleneagles\\_chaxay](https://www.instagram.com/gleneagles_chaxay) for some photos from this assembly as well as Wali Shah's website [here](#). Copies of his new book have been purchased for the learning commons and individual classrooms for students to read. Thank you to the GEC PAC for partially funding this visit.

## Classroom Placement Process for September 2024

***Please note: completed forms should be emailed to Mrs. Evans at [revans@wvschools.ca](mailto:revans@wvschools.ca) and will only be accepted until May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Late submissions cannot be accommodated.***

In May and June each year, we begin the process of planning for the next school year. Plans are tentative given the everchanging landscape and West Vancouver Schools' commitment to finding spaces for every student

needing one. At this point, we anticipate most, if not all, of our classrooms will continue to be composed of combined (split) grades.

Our class placement process ensures that thoughtful consideration of each child's social, emotional, and academic needs are aligned with the need to create balanced and effective learning environments. The assignment of students to classes is decided by a team, which includes the School Based Resource Team, a child's current teacher, non-enrolling teachers, support staff and the administrators. The professional team considers each placement carefully as they create classes that include a wide range of students who learn in a variety of ways. In addition to individual circumstances, criteria considered in the placement process includes:

1. Workable instructional groups considering:
  - the child's academic needs and strengths;
  - teaching and learning styles;
  - the child's work habits
  
2. Positive social groups considering:
  - placements where a child can work positively and productively with other children in the class;
  - peer supports or conflicts;
  - establishing the presence of positive leaders in each class
  
3. Balanced classes considering:
  - the differentiated needs of students;
  - social, emotional, and academic needs and abilities;
  - leadership abilities
  
4. Other information considered:
  - School-Based Resource Team recommendations

If you would like to provide input into this process, families may wish to complete a Placement Input Form. **THIS IS OPTIONAL. It is not necessary to complete the form;** many hours and great care are taken around the placement of every child to honour their individual learning style and create the best learning environment for all children. Please note that we will take into consideration Placement Input Forms, but it may not be possible to meet all requests. Our goal is to meet the needs of all students at Gleneagles Ch'axáy in order to maximize their growth as learners. We appreciate your support in this complex, multi-level process of arranging educationally sound and balanced classes.

Completed forms should be emailed to Mrs. Evans at [revans@wvschools.ca](mailto:revans@wvschools.ca) and **will only be accepted until May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**

### **Grade 6 & 7 Band Registration for September 2024: Now Open**

Registration is now open to students currently in grades 5 & 6 to join the Band Program for the 2024-25 school year at Gleneagles Ch'axáy. In Band, students learn a symphonic instrument and have the opportunity to perform at a number of concerts and special events throughout the year. Research about the benefits of studying music and playing a musical instrument are clear and parents can watch this [Ted Talk VIDEO](#) for more information.

Learning an instrument in a collaborative environment fosters growth in many areas of social development such as cooperation, collaboration, open-mindedness, personal responsibility, self-management, and resilience. Registration is now open to join the Grade 6 & 7 Band Program at Gleneagles Ch'axá'y by [CLICKING HERE](#). *Please note that staffing for next school year is dependent on the number of registrants for the Band program, and so we are encouraging families to register soon in order to help us secure the successful continuation of our Band program at GEC.* If you have any questions about Band, please feel free to email Ms. Inkster at [cinkster@wvschools.ca](mailto:cinkster@wvschools.ca).

## LIONS BAY NEWS

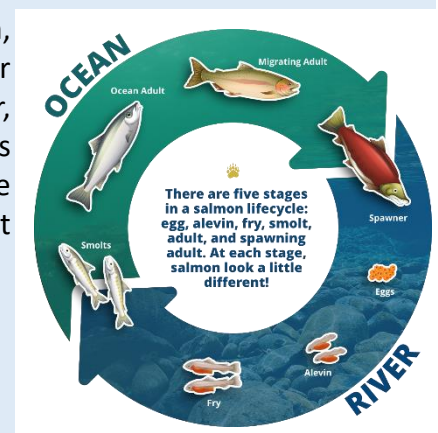
### Talent Show & Parent Appreciation – please join us!

Auditions have been held, students have been hard at work practicing, and we are excited for our upcoming Talent Show. We look forward to seeing parents attend our event on **Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**. **Please note the new start time at 1:45 pm.** In addition to individual performances, all students will share a special poem to show our appreciation to our wonderful parents. We hope to see you there!

### Salmon Release

Please join us on **Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** as we walk down to our local stream, Magnesia Creek, to release the salmon fry which have been growing in our classroom. We will be joined by Sahplek, Bob Baker, our First Nations advisor, who will do a short blessing and ceremony to ensure the safety of the fry as they become accustomed to their new home. All parents and students are invited to join us at **3:00pm** as we venture off on this adventure. Please meet at the Creek!

To see more information on the Life Cycle of Salmon, follow [this link](#).



### Upcoming Events

We are looking forward to our upcoming field trip to Grouse Mountain/Hiwus Feast House on **Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**. Students will be immersed in a traditional longhouse experience including legends, songs, dances, and crafts. They will enjoy a guided nature walk through the forest to the Hiwus Feasthouse and have an opportunity to sample native cuisine. A reminder that students will need to arrive promptly, as we will be departing the school by 8:45am. As well, we will have a late return to Lions Bay on this day (approximately 2:55pm).

On **Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>** our grade 3 students will visit Gleneagles Ch'axá'y and experience what a day at the big school is like. They will have an opportunity to meet some of the GEC staff and students and Mrs. Evans will provide a tour of the school and answer any questions that students may have as they prepare for their transition from grade 3 at Lions Bay to grade 4 at Gleneagles.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome to Kindergarten event at GEC, 1:00 pm Jump Rope for Heart event at LB
Friday, May 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Pro-D Day (school not in session)</b>
Monday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Victoria Day Holiday (school not in session)</b>
Tuesday, May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Lions Bay Talent Show & Parent Appreciation, 1:45pm
Wednesday, May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Auditions for Primary Talent Show at GEC Salmon Release with Bob Baker in Lions Bay, 3:00pm
Thursday, May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parent Appreciation Tea at GEC, Learning Commons
Friday, May 24 <sup>th</sup>	Auditions for Primary Talent Show at GEC (if needed) Seaview Trail Run, Divs. 3 & 6
Tuesday, May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Grouse Mountain field trip for LB students
Wednesday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Orientation tour at GEC for Grade 3's from LB Grade 6/7 Field Event at WVSS, 3:30 pm
Thursday, May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Class photos and school panorama at LB, 9:00 am "Science of Fun" field trip for Divs. 5 & 6 Grade 4/5 Field Event at WVSS, 3:30 pm
Friday, May 31 <sup>st</sup>	Spirit Day! Class photos and school panorama at GEC, 9:00 am GEC PAC Golf Tournament
May 31 and June 1 <sup>st</sup>	West Van Community Culture Fest at Ambleside Park

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### West Vancouver Basketball Club Summer Camps

May is here which means the WVBC summer camps are right around the corner. This year, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 8 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by former Canadian Men's National Team player and WVS Teacher/ Basketball Academy Head Coach Greg Meldrum. Many camps sold out last summer so don't wait too long to sign up. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

## WVS: Parent Workshop Series 2



# Parent Workshop Series #2

## Exploring the world around us

### Communication & Literacies

When: Wednesday, May 29th, 2024 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Where: West Vancouver Community Centre



Who: Parents & guardians of children (birth-6 years)

Limited childcare spots available at Cypress Corner for children 4-6 years. To register for childcare call 604-925-7270 and mention the workshop with code 166008

To register for this workshop email [asweeney@wvschools.ca](mailto:asweeney@wvschools.ca)



this parent series is hosted in partnership with the West Vancouver Community Centre

Questions: email [mparackal@wvschools.ca](mailto:mparackal@wvschools.ca)

we gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of BC through the Ministry of Education and Child Care

## Summer Sailing Lessons

CANSail Approved Courses

# Get Salty.



Eagle Harbour Summer Sailing Lessons  
Ages 7-17 July & August 2024



Call or scan to register  
604 921 7636

Taste of the Bay is back!



**WEDNESDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**  
5:30PM - 8:30PM

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**TICKETS ON SALE MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>: ADULTS \$30 / CHILDREN \$15**  
AVAILABLE AT TROLL'S BLENZ, GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

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**THREE ADULT PRIZE DRAWS LIVE MUSIC**

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**KIDS PADDLE BOARD PRIZE DRAW**



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**PADDLE YOUR WAY AROUND HORSESHOE BAY**



**HORSESHOE BAY**  
MILE ZERO OF THE SEA TO SKY

Art Exhibition



**WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS**  
PRESENTS


An annual mixed media exhibition by graduating students from:


- Collingwood
- Mulgrave
- Rockridge
- Sentinel
- West Vancouver Secondary


**MAY 9 - JUNE 2**

**GRAD SHOW 2024**

**OPENING RECEPTION**  
THURSDAY  
MAY 9  
6-8 P.M.

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## Summer Camps

# SUMMER CAMPS WITH PCC!



Join our team for the ultimate camp experience full of Sports, Games, Arts & Crafts, Adventures and FUN! Day camps are available for kids at all skill levels who want to stay active and play!

Participants will move through a variety of sports such as basketball, soccer, tennis, football, hockey, volleyball, and more. Campers will be fully submerged in the world of sports and activity and are bound to leave the day with a smile on their face, eager for the next day!

### IRWIN PARK 9-3PM (HALF DAYS AVAILABLE)

- ✓ Inclusive of all skill levels
- ✓ Focused on FUN
- ✓ Caring coaching staff
- ✓ Over 40 five star reviews



## JOIN US! AGES 5-12

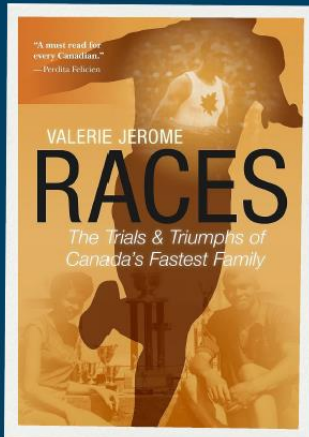
Questions? Email us at  
[contact@privatecoachingco.com](mailto:contact@privatecoachingco.com)



## Discussion with Valerie Jerome

An Evening with

# Valerie Jerome



Please join us for a discussion with author, educator, Olympian and advocate hosted by broadcaster Kevin Evans

Wednesday, May 22nd, 2024  
7:30 - 9:00 pm  
Kay Meek Theatre  
1700 Mathers Avenue  
West Vancouver

Please [register here](#), note that this event is free

32 Books & Gallery will be onsite selling books for Ms. Jerome's book signing



## **Mental & Spiritual Health**

Please follow the links below for information on these events:

[Walk with your Doc](#)

[Active Youth](#)