



Gleneagles



Ch'axáy  
ELEMENTARY



LIONS BAY  
SCHOOL

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

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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION  
PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED**

RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS  
Prière de les faire traduire.

重要資料  
請找人為你翻譯

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。

알려드립니다  
아갓을 번역해 주십시오

**CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG**  
Xin nhờ người dịch hộ

समूची सादरवाची  
पिऊण वदने विनि केळें विना दा उठेण वदवार्त ।

**INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE**  
Busque alguien que le traduzca.

اطلاعات مهم و سودمند  
لطفاً از یک نفر بخواهید که برای شما ترجمه کند

ITO AY MAHALAGANG IMPORMASYON  
Isalin sa wikang tagalog kung hindi maintindihan

يرجى ترجمة هذا  
معلومات هامة

ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ  
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

September 26, 2024

### Truth & Reconciliation Day

All schools will be closed on **Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** in recognition of Canada's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Don't forget that all students are invited to wear an Orange Shirt to school on Friday to recognize this day; please see below for more information regarding Orange Shirt Day.

### Orange Shirt Day

All students at both Gleneagles and Lions Bay schools are invited to **wear an orange shirt to school on Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>** in recognition of **Canada's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30<sup>th</sup>**.

The orange shirt has become a symbol of hope, reconciliation, and a commitment to a better future. By wearing an orange shirt to school, we make a statement to support reconciliation and commit to the enduring truth that EVERY CHILD MATTERS. Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led commemorative day that honours the children who survived the residential schooling experience and remembers those who did not as well as their families. This day relates to the experience of Phyllis Webstad, a First Nation student, who arrived on her first day of school dressed in a new orange shirt which was taken from her. Please [read Phyllis' story here](#).



Classrooms will be engaging with recognizing Orange Shirt Day in various, age-appropriate ways. At Gleneagles students will also be exploring what "Every Child Matters" means and will be showing this by tying one orange ribbon per student to our fence along Marine Drive. Remember to have a look at our school Instagram and X feeds for photos and timely learning updates.

## Take a Peek!

As we head back into a new school year, germs and lice are once again brought into our classrooms. We have had a couple of reported cases already. The best way to combat lice being present at school is to be proactive. Check your children, at least once a week, and be aware of excess or unusual head scratching. If your child has long hair, encourage them to wear it tied back/up. Don't share hats! If you do find any nits or live lice, be sure to get it treated right away. Part of treatment is ongoing checks to ensure that all lice have been removed and haven't continued to spread. They are small and can be extremely difficult to see.

*Please note: an itch may not develop for up to six weeks, for initial occurrences. Reoccurring cases may develop symptoms more quickly.*

Interested in a parent education session focusing on awareness and prevention? Please take a moment to fill out this quick PAC survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WLRJ3T7>

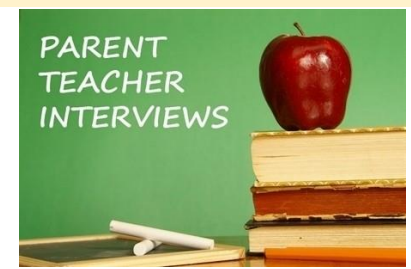
For more information regarding lice prevention and treatment, please visit: <https://www.vch.ca/en/health-topics/head-lice>

## GLENEAGLES NEWS

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent-Teacher Interviews are scheduled for **October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>** and the online scheduling system will open for parents tomorrow, September 27<sup>th</sup>. ***Please note that early dismissal is in effect on these days at 12:05 pm and the Lions Bay bus will be departing GEC at approximately 12:15 pm.***

All appointments will be held in-person in your child's classroom. If you are unable to attend one of these scheduled times, please contact your classroom teacher directly to make alternate arrangements. This is a formal reporting opportunity for parents to be involved in a one-on-one meeting with your child's classroom teacher; interview times are for parents and teachers only and we ask that students are not involved in this process in order to allow for effective and efficient interviews given the limited timeframe.



Please follow this link to schedule your appointment: <https://gleneagles.schoolappointments.com/admin/>. An instruction sheet to assist you with this process can be found [here](#). If you are having difficulty, please contact Ms. Pistilli in the school office.

### Hot Lunch

**The first day for Hot Lunch delivery will be Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you missed the ordering deadline, the Munch-A-Lunch system will re-open for new orders and for changes to existing orders for a short window between Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. A reminder will be shared closer to this date.

*Please remember to send utensils to school with your child as vendors do not provide these and our school is unable to provide utensils for kids. A reminder also that we follow the "Pack It In/Pack It Out" model for all food items including utensils, wrappers, containers, etc. Your child should be bringing these items home for disposal or recycling.*



A big thank you to Jess Jenkin and Lauren Fuhre, our Hot Lunch co-ordinators, for keeping our kids happy and well-fed with hot lunches at school! Thank you! If you have any questions or concerns, you can DM Jess and/or Lauren or contact them at [gechotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:gechotlunch@gmail.com).

### **School Photos**

Photo proofs have arrived from our school photographer and will be sent home with students this week. Please check your child's backpack for their proof sheet and place your order online at <https://online.edgeimaging.ca/>. You will need the portrait codes listed on your child's proof sheet.

**Orders should be placed by October 4<sup>th</sup> to qualify for free shipping directly to school.**

Please note that photo retakes are scheduled for Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> for any students who missed photo day or who would like to retake their photo.

### **Welcome Back Open House**

We had a terrific turnout at this week's Open House, and it was nice to see so many of our families reconnecting and enjoying the amazing meal that was offered. A huge thank you to Rachel Clearwater and Jenny Clark for all of their efforts with the school gardens, harvesting and preparing food items, and for working so seamlessly with our classes. We are very fortunate at GEC to have such a supportive parent community who are always ready and eager to help out! Big thanks also to Lisa and Rick Kim of Olive & Anchor Restaurant for preparing the delicious soups and accompanying items – thank you!

We hope that all of our parents had an opportunity to connect with classroom teachers during this busy event – September is coming to a close and we are looking forward to the school year ahead.

### **Terry Fox Run**

A job well done goes out to our students who participated in the Terry Fox Run at GEC this afternoon. Thank you to our student leaders in Division 3, who, along with Ms. McIntyre led our school through a beautiful and reflective Terry Fox assembly this afternoon, as well as in sharing morning announcements all week. All of our GEC students did a fantastic job keeping the momentum of what Terry started over 40 years ago alive!

Thank you as well to everyone who made a donation to support cancer research and the Terry Fox Foundation – our school community raised over \$250; keeping Terry's dream of \$1 for every student going!



## School Traffic

Parents are reminded that speed limits in and around all school zones in BC are limited to 30 km/hr. Please use care and attention when driving your child to school by following these guidelines:

- Park in a designated spot only by following the parking signs; DO NOT park in the bus stop, staff parking areas, or on neighbouring streets marked with no parking signs.
  - This includes Marine Drive across from the bus stop and along the cement wall
  - Please note: there is No parking along Roseberry; this is reserved for residents only
- Utilize the drop off lane located at the front of the school near the office area; do not park in the drop off lane, parents are asked to pull forward drop or pick-up your child and continue moving through.
- Be cautious when dropping off children; check for incoming cars, teach children to be alert
- Drive one way along Marine Drive; NO U-turns

Thank you for helping to keep our school zone safe for everyone!

# LIONS BAY NEWS

## Meet the Teacher Event – A Message from Ms. Mendes

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Danielle and Jill for the coffee, delicious homemade muffins, and healthy snacks for our students during the early morning Meet the Staff event.

Thanks also to Miss Chrissy and Mrs. Cox for providing early morning supervision, allowing the teachers to meet with parents about the school year ahead. It was a great opportunity for parents and staff to connect.



## Spirit Wear

We have a limited supply of t-shirts and hoodies available now – don't miss this chance to show your school spirit with some LB Spirit Wear! Orders can be placed now through the [Munch-a-Lunch](#) system.

## Parent Teacher In-Take Conferences

Parents are asked to sign up for a Parent/Teacher conference time if you have not yet done so. Parent-teacher conferences will be held on **October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>** and will be held in person in your child's classroom. ***Please note that early dismissal is in effect on October 1<sup>st</sup> only at 12:15 pm.***

This is a formal reporting opportunity for parents/guardians to be involved in a one-on-one meeting with your child's classroom teacher; interview times are for parents and teachers only and we ask that students are not involved in this process in order to allow for effective and efficient interviews.

**Please sign up through the links below:**

[K/1 Intake Interviews for Tuesday, October 1, 2024](#)

[Grade 2-3 Intake Interviews for Tuesday, October 1, 2024](#)

[K1 Intake Interviews for Wednesday, October 2, 2024](#)

[Grade 2-3 Intake Interviews for Wednesday, October 2, 2024](#)

## Photo Day

Our school photographer will be visiting LB on **Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>** to take individual student photos. Photos will begin at 9:30 am – please mark your calendars.

## Cross Country Team

Way to go Grade 3 Cross Country team! Our last meet will be held on Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at Ambleside Field.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, September 26 <sup>th</sup>	Terry Fox Run at GEC, 1:15 pm
Friday, September 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Orange Shirt Day</b> recognized
Monday, September 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>National Day for Truth &amp; Reconciliation (school not in session)</b>
Tuesday, October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Parent/Teacher Conferences at LB, <b>early dismissal at 12:15 pm</b>
Wednesday, October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Parent/Teacher Conferences at LB, (regular dismissal day) <b>GEC PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm</b>
Thursday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Photo Day at LB
Friday, October 4 <sup>th</sup>	World Teacher Day!
October 8 & 9	Parent/Teacher Interviews at GEC, <b>early dismissal at 12:05 pm</b>
Monday, October 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Thanksgiving Holiday (school not in session)</b>
Thursday, October 17 <sup>th</sup>	Shake Out BC Earthquake Drill

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Memorial Library News

The WVML September/October e-newsletter for kids, families and educators is here! We have lots to offer after school, weekends and on School's Out days (including around the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – we're open September 30!) As usual, story times are all still drop-in (and we currently have French story time running on Saturdays!)

[West Van Schools Update September + October 2024 \(patronpoint.com\)](https://patronpoint.com)

**Opportunities at West Van. Rec Centre**  
Indigenous Arts & Culture Workshop [this fall](#).

**Small Group Music Classes:** [Ukulele, Acoustic Guitar and Singing Classes are starting in September.](#)

**Language Program for Various Ages:** [Give yourself a gift of language skills in French, Spanish, Mandarin, Farsi, Korean, American Sign Language \(ASL\), Ukrainian and English as a Second/Third Language.](#)

Click here for [PD Day Camps](#)

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