

#### November 28, 2024

#### **Term 1 Learning Updates**

Parents at both Gleneagles and Lions Bay schools will receive their child's Term 1 Learning Update (student reports) on **Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.** In preparation for this, parents are asked to log into their MyEd BC Family Portal account. If you cannot access your account, please try the password reset feature, if that fails, you may contact Ms. Pistilli in the school office for assistance.

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Переведите это, пожалуйста.

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. <u>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. Please follow the instructions in the email to do this.</u>

If you are a family <u>new</u> to our school District, you will have received an email from the MyEd BC server in the last week 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: <u>MyEd BC Login</u> Many helpful resources which can assist you with this process are located here: <u>WVS MyEd BC Family Portal</u> <u>Guides</u>

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

#### **School Closures due to Weather**

West Vancouver Schools endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including those with accumulating snowfall (Weather Closures and Procedures). Last week, Mrs. Evans sent detailed information to all families regarding Winter weather and school district policies. Any decision to close schools will be made by the Superintendent and will be based on the safety of students and staff. The school district aims to communicate any decision to close schools by 6:00 am.

Please check the school district website for the most current information on school closures.

# **GLENEAGLES NEWS**

#### **Staff Appreciation Lunch**

Our GEC PAC is organizing a luncheon for our hard-working staff on **Tuesday, December 3**<sup>rd</sup>. If you are able to provide a dish or help out with the luncheon, please sign up here: <u>Staff Luncheon</u> Thank you!



#### **Lockdown Drill**

On **Thursday, December 5th**, all students will participate 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. <u>Note</u>: *this was rescheduled from earlier this year*.

#### Winter Concert – Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

"Jingle Bell Jukebox" is coming soon to the GEC stage and we are looking forward to a terrific show! *Please* note that the date has been changed and our concert will be held on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

This concert will feature students from Kindergarten to Grade 3, along with our intermediate choir and our Grade 6/7 band. There will be two shows available – a matinee show at 1:30 pm and an evening show at 6:30 pm, and tickets are now available! *Parents are asked to note costume requirements below.* 

Please purchase your tickets through <u>School Cash Online</u> – there is a limit of 2 tickets per family per show. If you require additional tickets, please email Ms. Pistilli <u>mapistilli@wvschools.ca</u> to be added to our waitlist. Tickets will only be available <u>online until end of day Thursday</u>, <u>December 5<sup>th</sup></u>. After this time, we will be accommodating our waitlisted families as space permits.

#### **Costume requirements for students:**

Div. 10, Ms. Carter's class	Wear your festive best – something you might wear for a family holiday
	photo!
Div. 9, Mrs. Robertson's class	White tops and bottoms with a winter scarf
Div. 8, Ms. Harquail's class	Light blue top with denim or blue bottoms; winter mitts & toques
Div. 7, Mrs. Downie's class	Red top with dark bottoms
Senior Choir	Green choir shirts with dark pants or skirt
Grade 6/7 Band	A Santa hat, white collared shirt and dark bottoms



All students involved in this show are asked to return to school at 6:15 pm in time for our evening performance which begins at 6:30 pm. Parents are asked to make every effort to ensure that your child is available to attend both performances on the 9<sup>th</sup> - your support is greatly appreciated. If your child is unable to attend, please inform your classroom teacher as soon as possible – thank you!

# Winter Clothing and Gift Card Drive

Please help us help those in need – our Grade 7 Leadership Team is launching two campaigns and they are asking for your assistance:

**Winter Clothing Drive:** winters are cold and wet and we are collecting gently used winter outerwear for families in need so they can keep warm and dry. High priority items include winter coats, snow pants, rain coats, and snow and rain boots. A collection box is located in the hallway outside the school office and donations will be accepted **until Friday, December 6**<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth Gift Card Campaign:** help make the holidays special for youth in need by donating a \$25 gift card that a youth would be happy to receive. Popular gift cards include Best Buy, Sephora, Sport Chek, H&M, EB Games, Old Navy, etc. If you are unable to purchase a gift card, we will also accept cash donations in any amount and a collection jar is located in the school office. Please make your donations by **Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**.



Thank you in advance for your support! All items collected will support Family Services of the North Shore Christmas Bureau.

### Tennis Program – Payments now due Our school-wide Tennis program will end on November 29th and payments are now overdue. Please check your School Cash Online accounts for this item and submit payment as soon as possible.

Thank you to Curtis and Kelly, our instructors from CJ Tennis, for running a fun and engaging program for our students! We saw a lot of progress in students' tennis skills over the two-week period.



# **GEC PAC Agenda**

Thank you to everyone who attended our last PAC meeting which was held on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. The meeting minutes can be found here: <u>GEC PAC Mtg Minutes</u> The next PAC Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

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# Join Us at the Movies!

Our GEC PAC have organized a private movie showing at Cineplex Park Royal! Celebrate the end of Term 1 and join GEC friends and families on **Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>** to watch Sonic 3 on Opening Day!

Movie Showing will be at Cineplex Park Royal, 2:30 to 4:25 pm, at Cineplex Park Royal Purchase your tickets through <u>Munch-A-Lunch</u>. If you do not have a Munch-A-Lunch account, please email Emily at <u>gecpacchair@gmail.com</u> to arrange for tickets.



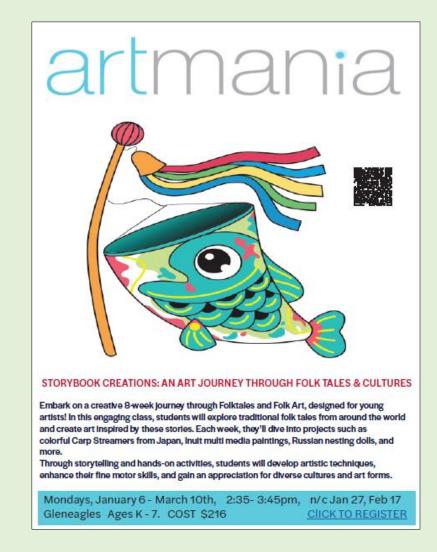
# **Creative Arts & Crafts with Tracey (after school program)**

Join Tracey for a fun art class where kids will focus on a new project each week. Students will have fun experimenting and exploring with new mediums and elements including art journaling, storybook illustration & design, printmaking, painting techniques, felting, weaving, sewing, sculpture, and stop motion animation. No previous art experience is required! This program is open to all students in grades 1 to 7 and will run on Thursdays after school from **January 9<sup>th</sup> to May 13<sup>th</sup>**.

For more information and to register, please visit this link: <u>Creative Arts & Crafts With Tracey</u>

# **Artmania After School Class**

Do you like art? Join this class on Mondays after school and learn about Story Book creations, folk tales and cultures. This class is open to students in Kindergarten through to Grade 7 and will be held in the Flex Room (room 209). **Please register here:** <u>GEC Artmania Class</u>



#### Winter Weather

Rain, Snow, and Cold temperatures are here! This is a reminder as we head into 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!



# **LIONS BAY NEWS**

#### **Spirit Day**

Our grade 3 students are excited to announce our first Spirit Day which will be held **tomorrow, November 29**<sup>th</sup>. All students are invited to wear their <u>school Spirit Wear</u> on this day or come dressed in our school colors of dark blue and green! Show us your spirit Lions Bay!

#### **Student Photos – last call!**

The ordering deadline for photos has now passed, and this is a "last call" to email Diana and place your order. A personalized link for your child's photo gallery, along with information about package options and costs has been emailed out to all parents. If you have any questions regarding your child's photos, please contact Diana directly at <u>dmklonek@gmail.com</u>.

### **Gymnastics**

Instructors from Gym Sense Gymnastics will be visiting Lions Bay school from December 2 to 6th to run a

gymnastics program for our students. Students will move through a series of stations and learn the fundamentals of this challenging sport. Thank you to our LB PAC for funding this amazing program for our school.



### **Cider With Santa**

All Lions Bay families are invited to attend our upcoming Cider with Santa event, hosted by the LB PAC!

Please join us in the school gym on **Sunday, December 1st** from 9:30 to 11:30am for beverages, snacks, games, crafts, cookie decorating and a silent auction. There will also be an opportunity for professional photos with Santa!

See you there!



Join us for:

Beverages, snacks, carnival games, professional photos with Santa, crafting, cookie decorating & a silent auction

\$35 per family ALL PROCEEDS GO TO LIONS BAY PAC

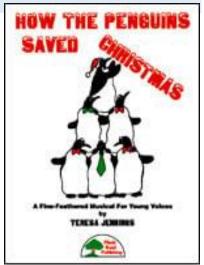
### Winter Concert

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming winter concert "**How the Penguins Saved Christmas**!" This event will take place on **December 17th at 5:30 p.m.** Thank you to the LB PAC who will organize a pizza dinner before the event - more information will be provided soon.

As a group of penguins prepare for a festive pageant, a stranger suddenly falls from the sky and knocks himself out. Believing him to be Santa Claus, the penguins try to help him remember his identity and mission on Christmas Eve. Despite their efforts, they struggle until they call upon the Wise Old Emperor Penguins, who uses hypnosis to restore Santa's memory. Just in time, Santa's reindeer arrive, reminding him to buckle up before continuing his journey. Thanks to the penguins, Christmas is saved!

#### **Costume Guidelines for Students**

Students in K/1 will be asked to wear a long-sleeved brown shirt and dark bottoms for their reindeer costume.



Students in 2/3 will be asked to wear a long-sleeved black shirt and dark bottoms (preferably black) for their penguin costume.

The rest of the costume will be provided by the school.

Please contact Ms. Mendes if you can help with decorations and/or costumes (e.g, adding snaps to costume items or decorating in the gym). We are also looking for realistic looking trumpets for props.

Tickets for our winter concert will be available next week through School Cash Online.

# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Thursday, November 28 <sup>th</sup>	Girls Volleyball Jamboree at Rockridge, 1:30 pm
Friday, November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Day at LB; Beach (theme) Day at GEC
	Vision Screening for K students at LB
	Isaac from WV Museum in Divs. 5 & 6 (GEC)
	Grade 6 Immunization Clinic @ GEC, 9:00 am
Saturday, December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Cider With Santa event at Lions Bay gym
Dec. 2 to 6	Gymsense gymnastics program at LB
Tuesday, December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Fieldtrip to Science World, Divs. 4, 5 & 6
	Staff Appreciation Lunch at GEC – thank you!
Wednesday, December 4 <sup>th</sup>	Fieldtrip to Rumble Boxing, Div. 3
Thursday, December 5 <sup>th</sup>	Lockdown Drill at GEC
Friday, December 6 <sup>th</sup>	Red & Green Day at GEC!
	Term 1 Learning Updates to be issued today

Monday, December 9th	GEC Winter Concert – matinee 1:30 pm, evening show 6:30 pm
Tuesday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Coding Workshop, Div. 6, 9:00 am
	Science Made Fun workshops at LB, 9:00 am
Thursday, December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Coding Workshop, Div. 6, 9:00 am
Friday, December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Hats Day at GEC!
Tuesday, December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Winter Concert at LB, 5:30 pm
Friday, December 20 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday PJ Day at GEC!
	Polar Express PJ Day at LB!
	Last day of school before winter break with early dismissal at
	12:05 pm (GEC) and 12:15 pm (LB)

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Please visit our **District Community Connections page** to see upcoming community news and events.

# Lions Bay Tree Sale



Help us support the Curly Stewart Trust Fund! Your donations will fund an annual bursary for a Lions Bay senior secondary school student pursuing a postsecondary program.

#### A Types of Trees Available:

- Noble Fir Standard (7-8ft.): \$100
- Noble Fir Premium (7-8ft.): \$140

"Order Deadline:

- November 5, 2024

#### Delivery Details:

- Date: Saturday, December Z (Home delivery (outside front door) or pick-up at school field)

#### 💊 How to Order:

- Go to the following link or scan the QR code to fill out the order form:

https://forms.gle/J4QgZ4ZchRwpAZtv6



#### 😻 Donations Welcome:

- If you don't want to purchase a tree, you can still support us by making a donation.

**Contact Information**: For more details, contact Kit Tel: 778-2330092



# Caroling Bonfire in HS Bay

Santa is arriving by boat on **Wednesday, December 11**<sup>th</sup>! Come down to the east beach beside the ferry terminal for games, crafts, hot chocolate and cookies!

