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RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS
Prière de les faire traduire.

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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

सबसे महत्वपूर्ण
सूचनाएं हैं।
इन्हें किसी भी व्यक्ति को
अनुवादित करने के लिए
कृपया प्रेरित करें।

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.

February 13, 2025

Upcoming School Closures

A reminder to parents that all schools in West Vancouver will be closed on **Friday, February 14th** for the District-wide Reading Break and on **Monday, February 17th** in recognition of the Family Day Holiday. We look forward to seeing our students and families back on Tuesday. Enjoy the extended weekend!

Goh Ballet Performance

On **Friday, February 21st**, Lions Bay students will be joining Gleneagles Ch'axáy students for a special performance by the Goh Ballet Youth Company. The Goh Ballet Youth Company has received international acclaim as one of Canada's leading professional youth ballet organizations and we are very fortunate to have an opportunity to watch them perform. The company will be performing a rendition of "Dancing through Alice's Wonderland" and brings to life Lewis Carroll's beloved stories through stunning costumes and captivating score. We are looking forward to a spectacular show!

This performance is made possible through funding received by WV Schools Art Starts fund, the Gleneagles PAC, and West Vancouver Schools who is providing funding to cover the cost of bus transportation. Thank you!



GLENEAGLES NEWS

Happy 100 Day!

Did you know that in a typical school year we have approximately 179 days of school? Today marks the 100th day in our school calendar and is a milestone for some of our younger students, especially in kindergarten. Ms. Carter's K students celebrated 100 Day by doing a 100 Day dance, sharing their 100 collections and making crowns to wear in class.



Grade 7 Fundraiser – Closing Soon!!

Don't miss out on our GEC "Grad" Fundraiser and the opportunity to place an order through **Two Rivers Specialty Meats!** This is a great way to fill your deep freeze with quality meat products and the individual packages are fantastic. See details in the link below and thank you in advance from this year's grade 7's Parent "Grad" Committee.

Ordering is now open and will close on Sunday, February 16th.

Place your orders here: [Two Rivers Grad Fundraiser](#) Thank you for your support!

GEC PAC Fundraiser

Our GEC PAC has launched their **Pump Up the Jam Fundraiser** with the goal of upgrading the gym AV and Tech systems in time for the Spring musical. As part of this initiative, we will be upgrading multiple speakers, microphones, projector unit and screen, control boards, and more! The estimated cost of this entire audio and tech project may reach up to \$25,000! Participating in this online fundraiser will directly benefit GEC for years to come.

Please donate through our School Cash Online Fundraising Link here: [PUMP UP THE JAM AT GEC](#)

You will receive a donation receipt for your contribution.

****Please make sure to select the "Gleneagles PAC: Pump Up The Jam! Gym Audio & Tech" as the fund destination if not already selected.** If you have any questions, please reach out to Emily at gecpacchair@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

AUDIO AND TECH UPGRADES
GEC GYM

PUMP UP THE JAM

Please join our fundraising campaign to enhance the gym audio and tech systems at Gleneagles Ch'axay.

Your support will help create a more engaging experience for students, staff, and GEC families during school events, assemblies, and the upcoming spring musical, Willy Wonka Jr.! Participating in this online fundraiser will directly contribute to school spirit and community engagement for years to come. Donation tax receipts automatically emailed to all donors.

GIVING LEVELS

\$50	\$75	\$100	OTHER
\$250 BRONZE	\$375 SILVER	\$500 GOLD	\$1000 PLATINUM

*Top-tier donors will be acknowledged with a special recognition display outside the GEC Gym.

Visit [School Cash Online](#) or Scan the QR code

GEC PAC Meeting

The next PAC meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 19th at 6:30 pm via Zoom**. All parents are invited to join us! The agenda for the February 19th PAC Meeting can be found here: [Meeting Agenda](#)

To join the meeting, please follow the link below:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82873302997?pwd=ClIDax3ZMakq4IMokVb8kTYfV1YSM4.1>

Meeting ID: 828 7330 2997

Passcode: 928526

Pink Shirt Day

Bullying hurts everyone and can happen in many different forms – verbal, physical, social and even cyberbullying. Did you know that bullying happens to someone in Canada every 7 minutes? Take a stand against bullying and **wear PINK on February 26th** to show your support of Pink Shirt Day and to show that bullying will not be tolerated. Read this [Pink Story](#) to see how Pink Shirt Day originated.

At Gleneagles we are once again recognizing Pink Shirt Day by inviting everyone to come to school wearing pink on this day. Mrs. Evans has launched our annual Pink Shirt Contest where students can design a paper version of their own pink shirt and we have already received many terrific entries! All entries will be on display outside of the school office and a few prizes will be awarded. All students are welcome to enter – contest closes Monday, February 24th.



Wear **PINK** on February 26th – together we can make a difference!

LIONS BAY NEWS

Storytelling with AI

Our students have been spinning some tales – with yarn! Did you know that yarn is an interactive tool that can be used with AI to help create stories? Our teachers have been leading storytelling sessions to craft unique stories about animals. The students have enjoyed giving input, and teachers have transformed their ideas into wonderful digital tales using this tool.

100 Days of School!



Students at Lions Bay celebrated 100 days of school this week – they brought in collections of 100 items and sorted them into groups of 10.

Field Hockey Workshops

Next week on February 19 and 20th, Lions Bay students will have the opportunity to participate in field hockey sessions with the West Vancouver Field Hockey club.



Capoeira Workshop Series

Over the past month, our students have participated in a series of Capoeira workshops, immersing themselves in this rich and dynamic art form. A special thank you goes to Lobo, for giving our students this unique opportunity and a chance to showcase their work. We are very proud of our students' participation and hard work!



Volleyball Workshops

Thank you so much to Eshan and Danielle who have involved the Grade 2/3 students in a series of volleyball workshops. They have really enjoyed these sessions and have developed some new skills. Thank you also to the PAC for supplying the students with new volleyball equipment.

Spirit Days

Each Friday students are encouraged to wear their Lions Bay School spirit wear or school colors (blue and green). At the end of each month, we will have special spirit days organized by our Grade 3 leaders.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, February 14 th	Reading Break (school not in session)
Monday, February 17 th	Family Day Holiday (school not in session)
Tuesday, February 18 th	Basketball game vs. BICS, 3:30 pm (boys @ home, girls away)
Wednesday, February 19 th	Field trip to Climb Base 5, Divs. 1 & 2 Cool It presentation, Div. 6, 1:30 pm GEC PAC Meeting, 6:30 pm via Zoom

February 19 & 20	Field Hockey workshops at LB
Friday, February 21 st	Goh Ballet performance at GEC, 10:30 am
Wednesday, February 26 th	Pink Shirt Day Movement & Mind workshop at LB Field trip to Britannia Mine Museum, Divs. 4, 5, & 6 Girls Basketball Tournament at WVSS, 1:00 pm
Thursday, February 27 th	Boys Basketball Tournament at WVSS, 1:00 pm
Friday, February 28 th	Seaview Trail Run, Divs. 3 & 6, 10:45 am
Monday, March 3 rd	Martial Arts at LB
Tuesday, March 4 th	Martial Arts at LB Staff Appreciation Lunch at GEC – thank you!
Wednesday, March 5 th	Ball hockey in the gym for Divs 4 to 9 at GEC Grade 6/7 Presentation on Vaping
Friday, March 7 th	Ultimate clinic with Kevin Underhill, grades 6 & 7

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please visit our [District Community Connections page](#) to see upcoming community news and events.

Junior Ignite District Choir – grades 5-7

We are excited to announce that applications are now open for the Junior Ignite District Choir, a premier program offered by West Vancouver Schools for students in grades 5 through 7. This exceptional opportunity is designed for young students who have a passion for singing and wish to develop their vocal talents in a supportive and dynamic environment.

The Junior Ignite District Choir focuses on:

- Vocal Training: Enhancing students' singing abilities through professional instruction.
- Musical Education: Building a strong foundation in music theory and choral performance.
- Community Engagement: Providing opportunities to perform at various events, fostering a sense of community and teamwork.

We encourage all interested parents to visit our website for detailed information on program specifics, application procedures, and important dates: [Junior Ignite District Choir](#).

Don't miss this chance to inspire your child's musical journey. Apply now and let their voices shine!

Parent Education Session: Substance Use Prevention (Mental Health & Decision-Making)

In partnership with adolescent clinical psychologist Dr. Hayley Watson (from [Open Parachute](#)), the Ministry of Education and Child Care will host three, [free virtual sessions](#) for parents, guardians and caregivers that will focus on practical skills you can teach children and youth (ages 0-19) to prevent substance use and

address mental health challenges. These sessions will build on a [previous presentation](#), which focused on practical conversation tools for speaking about substance use prevention with your children/youth. The previous session is not a pre-requisite for attending this one.

SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION: MENTAL HEALTH & DECISION-MAKING

A **COMPLIMENTARY WEBINAR** FOR PARENTS, GUARDIANS & CAREGIVERS

Join leading **adolescent Clinical Psychologist Dr. Hayley Watson** for an online event that aims to help parents, guardians and caregivers gain a **deeper understanding** of substance use prevention and learn **practical tools** for supporting youth mental health.



Key Takeaways:

- ✓ Learn the factors that contribute to youth mental health/substance use
- ✋ Understand the skills that youth need to overcome these needs
- 🧠 Acquire practical tools for empowering your child and youth to make positive choices
- 🤝 Increase your ability to support your own mental health

Time: 6-7:30pm PST

Date: 20th, 25th, 26th Feb 2025

REGISTER NOW

Scan the QR
Code to Register



We acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the
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LFI Open House

YOU'RE INVITED!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A LATE FRENCH IMMERSION OPEN HOUSE

What is Late French Immersion?

Late French Immersion (LFI) is designed for students wishing to start their French education in Grade 6, allowing them to study the French language and culture while following the full BC curriculum.

Why Attend?

- Learn about our school and the very popular LFI Program at PJ
- Discover the benefits of learning French fluently
- Hear how parents can support their child when they do not speak French themselves
- See the fun we have at PJ and in West Vancouver Schools

Meet Our Team!

Join École Pauline Johnson Principal Mme Zielinski as she hosts an informative session about the LFI program. Parents and students will have the opportunity to meet with her, the Vice-Principal, French Coordinator, and the dedicated LFI teaching team. As part of our established pathway to Sentinel Secondary School, we are pleased to welcome Principal Mike Finch, who will share insights about their French Immersion program at Sentinel and how it builds upon the foundation established at École Pauline Johnson.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 25th
TIME: 3:30 - 4:00 pm
WHERE: 1150 22nd Street, West Vancouver
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