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どなたかに日本語に訳してもらってください。

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아래글 번역에 주십시오

CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG
Xin nhờ người dịch hộ

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सूचनाएं नीचे हैं। कृपया इनका अनुवाद करें।

INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE
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ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

March 13, 2025

Spring Break

A reminder that all West Vancouver Schools will be closed for Spring Break from **March 17th to March 28th**.

Schools will reopen on Monday, March 31st. Wishing all of our families an enjoyable Spring Break.



Student Learning Updates

Term 2 Learning Updates will be published for all students at Gleneagles and Lions Bay schools on **Friday, March 14th**.

The Family Portal is where all parents will go to access their child's Learning Update as well as Individual Student Plans (IEP's), and ELL grades (AIP's). 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. **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.**

If you are a new parent in our school, you will have received an email from the MyED BC system. Please look for this email and follow the instructions to set up your account. If you do not see this email, please check your junk folder.

Parents are asked to familiarize themselves with the Family Portal site: [MyEd BC Login](#)

Many helpful resources which can assist you with this process are located here: [WVS MyEd BC Family Portal Guides](#)

If you require any assistance with your Family Portal account, please contact Ms. Pistilli in the school office mapistilli@wvschools.ca.

GLENEAGLES NEWS

Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Day is this Friday! All students are asked to **wear RED** to school to show their support for Heart & Stroke Foundation. Parents are welcome to come out and watch the fun – we are planning to jump outdoors from 1:45 to 2:15 pm (in case of heavy rain, we will move to the gym). **Thank you to everyone who has donated, so far we have raised \$845 towards our goal of \$2000, please consider making a small donation, any amount is greatly appreciated!**

Please follow these helpful steps below:

- Go to our school fundraising page: [Gleneagles Ch'axay Jump Page](#)
- If your child would like to participate and earn prizes for their fundraising efforts, click on "Register to Participate". You can then share out the link to your child's page with family and friends to collect donations.
- If you would like to make a one-time donation (and not earn prizes), click on the "Donate" button.

Did you know that 9 in 10 Canadians have at least one risk factor for heart disease and stroke? Almost 80% of premature heart disease and stroke can be prevented through healthy behaviours. That means that habits like eating healthy, being active and living smoke free have a big impact on your health. All of our fundraising dollars will support the [Heart and Stroke Foundation](#).



Please help us raise funds for this worthy cause by sharing this information with your family and friends. Thank you for your support!

Hot Lunch – place your orders for Term 3

Ordering for Hot Lunch is now open, and parents are asked to place orders for Term 3 (April 1st to June 13th) **by midnight on Friday, March 14th**. *Please note that Munch-A-Lunch will not be open for ordering during spring break.*

New for term 3 – a familiar vendor, Foodie Kids, has been added on Tuesdays to replace the burrito vendor that has been in place. This will offer more choices for students and is an opportunity to try a new vendor.

To place your orders, please go to the Munch-A-Lunch page here: [GEC MunchALunch](#)
(If you had an existing hot lunch order on our February snow day, a credit has been applied to your account and this can be used towards new orders.)



Thank you to GEC parents Jess Jenkin and Lauren Fuhre for working behind the scenes and organizing Hot Lunch for our hungry kids! If you have any questions, need assistance with Hot Lunch ordering, or are interested in taking over the hot lunch role next year, Jess and Lauren would love to hear from you at gechotlunch@gmail.com. We all love hot lunch as busy parents, and it's our school's

biggest fundraiser! This program relies on our PAC Hot Lunch coordinators, so let's keep it going strong by volunteering for next year!

Grade 4 & 7 Learning Survey

Each year the Ministry of Education and Childhood conducts a province-wide survey soliciting input from students in Grades 4, 7, 10, 11, and 12 and their parents/guardians as well as school staff members regarding satisfaction of school operations and student performance. The results from these surveys provide us with important feedback for our school and are helpful in developing our school goals and plans. However, this information is only useful if we have a good response from our community stakeholders.

Parents of students in grades 4 and 7 are asked to complete the survey at your earliest convenience as your input is greatly valued! Please [check your inbox](#) for detailed information including the survey link and instructions. Thank you.

Grade 7 Fundraiser

Spring is around the corner - please consider supporting our Spring Plant Fundraiser to help spruce up your garden and yard! Our grade 7 parents are raising funds for the year end celebrations for our departing grade 7 class and all monies raised through this plant sale will directly support their efforts. **This sale is now open and all orders must be placed by April 24th.** Items will be delivered to school on Friday, May 9th for pickup, just in time for Mother's Day. Thank you for your support!

Place your orders here: [GEC Grade 7 Plant Sale](#)



GEC PAC Fundraiser

To date, we have raised \$4500 towards our goal of \$25 000! Thank you to all of our families who have donated so far. If you have not yet made your donation, please consider doing so as soon as possible. You will receive a donation receipt for your contribution - any donation amount is greatly appreciated!

The Gleneagles PAC is 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](#)

****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**

A fundraising poster for "Pump Up The Jam" at GEC Gym. The poster features a large green title "PUMP UP THE JAM" with a musical note icon. Above the title, it says "AUDIO AND TECH UPGRADES GEC GYM". Below the title, there is a call to action: "Please join our fundraising campaign to enhance the gym audio and tech systems at Gleneagles Ch'axay." and a description of the project: "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." Below this, there are "GIVING LEVELS" listed in ovals: \$50, \$75, \$100, OTHER, \$250 BRONZE, \$375 SILVER, \$500 GOLD, and \$1000 PLATINUM. At the bottom, there is a QR code and a note: "*Top-tier donors will be acknowledged with a special recognition display outside the GEC Gym. Visit SchoolCashOnline or Scan the QR code".

**AUDIO AND TECH UPGRADES
GEC GYM**

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reach out to Emily at gecpacchair@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

Basketball

Congratulations to our boys' basketball team who fought hard this past Monday at their season-end tournament at West Van Secondary. Our boys finished fourth place overall, with strong wins against Caulfeild, Irwin Park, and Bowen Island! Well done! We are so proud of how well you played, and for the tremendous progress made over the course of the season. Thank you to our team coaches, Jenny Clark and Mrs. Evans, for their leadership and commitment to our team.

Don't forget that all basketball jerseys should be returned to school as soon as possible (unless your child is planning to join the Ultimate Team in term 3). Thank you.



Ultimate Team

All grade 7 students are invited to join our Ultimate team which will begin practises and games after Spring Break. A meeting was held this past week with all interested students and a permission form has been sent home detailing the upcoming schedule. The first game will take place on Tuesday, April 8th.

Please reach out to our team coach, Mrs. Staples, if you have any questions regarding Ultimate at staples@wvschools.ca.

Young Entrepreneur Market Day

Students in Divisions 1, 2, and 3 have been working hard to design, create, and promote their products to bring to market. There are many creative offerings including: soaps and candles, jewelry, keychains, dog treats, bookmarks and stickers, slime, tote bags and so much more!

On **Thursday, April 3rd**, the Young Entrepreneur Fair (market) will run from 9:30am through to 12:00pm. (Please note: market vendors will be on a break from 10:15 – 10:35am). Students are welcome to bring a couple of dollars with them to school on this day, should they wish to purchase an item from the market. All items are priced at \$5 or less! Families are welcome to shop anytime as well, during open market hours.

Good luck to our young entrepreneurs! We are looking forward to market day.

Term 3 After School Clubs – registration is now open!

Registration is now open for the following after school clubs:

Gleneagles Theatre Bugs: Come down to the Music Room and get ready for an hour filled with fun, laughter, and creativity! Our Theatre Bugs class gives kids a chance to dive into the world of acting through engaging games and activities. Perfect for building confidence, teamwork, and imagination, this class is designed for kids who love to perform or just want to have fun with their friends! This class will run on Tuesdays after school from 2:35 to 3:45 pm and will be run by Artmania.

Please register here: [THEATRE BUGS](#)



After School Explorers Program (Gr 1-4):

Unlock your child's potential through our engaging, multi-sport after-school program designed to inspire and energize! Led by experienced coaching staff dedicated to providing an unforgettable experience, Sport Explorers introduces young athletes to a world of fun, teamwork, and skill-building in a safe, inclusive environment. Each session offers a mix of sports that keeps kids excited, moving, and discovering new talents. Perfect for all experience levels, Sport Explorers makes after-school time active, social, and full of adventure.

Sports include Soccer, Frisbee, Basketball, Handball, Rugby and more!

Program runs every Tuesday from April 15th – June 3rd from 2:35pm to 4:05pm in the Gleneagles Gym.
Prince: \$240 + GST (8 sessions)

[Register today](#) to secure your child's spot for sport exploration!

Creative Arts & Crafts: This fun-filled art class runs on Thursdays after school from 2:45 to 4:15 pm and will go from April 3rd to June 5th. Join Tracey and learn about painting techniques, printmaking, felting, weaving, and more! If you are interested in joining this class, please fill in the attached [registration form](#) and send this to the office. Thank you!

LIONS BAY NEWS

North Shore Black Bear Society

This week we welcomed the North Shore Black Bear Society to LB School. Students learned how to be Bear Smart and Bear Aware. Be sure to ask your child one thing they learned! We are grateful to the North Shore Black Bear Society for offering this complimentary workshop.

Coding Robots

This week, students had a second session exploring and working with coding robots. These coding robots help students learn programming through hands-on activities, teaching problem-solving, logical thinking, and computational skills. Students explored how the robots can move, respond to code, and use lights and sounds for interactive learning.

We are incredibly grateful to Cari Wilson (District Vice-Principal of Innovation and Technology) for her support in teaching these sessions. A special thank you to GEC for loaning us the coding robots.



Pickleball session

Lions Bay will also be holding a Pickleball session for children on **Thursday, March 13** with [Pickleball BC](#). Students will be introduced to a new sport and practice balance and control skills with a paddle and ball. They will engage in fun, partner-based drills designed to help them hit the ball over the net and develop fundamental coordination.



Ball Hockey Workshops

Following Spring Break, students at Lions Bay will have the opportunity to develop their hockey skills through a complimentary series with the West Vancouver Minor Hockey Association. These workshops will take place on **Wednesday, April 2, and Thursday, April 3**.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, March 13 th	Pickleball session at LB
Friday, March 14 th	Last day of school prior to Spring Break Jump Rope for Heart event at GEC, 1:45 pm Term 2 Learning Updates published (MyED) for all students
March 17 th to 28 th	Spring Break (school not in session)
Monday, March 31 st	Classes resume after Spring Break
Wednesday, April 2 nd	Ball hockey workshops at LB – Day 1
Thursday, April 3 rd	Young Entrepreneur Market Day in the gym (GEC) Ball hockey workshops at LB – Day 2 LB PAC Meeting, 6:00 pm
Monday, April 7 th	Grade 7 Pizza Lunch, courtesy of Rockridge Secondary!
Tuesday, April 8 th	Ultimate game #1 at Ridgeview, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, April 9 th	GEC PAC Meeting, 9:00am – special presentation by Superintendent Kennedy

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

2025 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Save the date! Summer Learning registration opens on **Monday, April 7 at 8:00 a.m.** For more information, please refer to the Summer Learning information flyers ([elementary](#) or [secondary](#)) or the [Summer Learning Website](#).

West Vancouver Basketball Club Spring Program

The WVBC Spring Basketball Program begins after Spring Break and there are still some spaces available. This spring, the WVBC will be offering sessions for players in Grades 2-9. All sessions will be held at West Van Secondary. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

Immunizations Reminder

Vancouver Coastal Health is reminding parents to check their vaccination records and update as needed. Measles cases are being reported around the world and pertussis (whooping cough) is increasing locally. Having up to date vaccinations is something to consider when making travel plans for your family. Please refer to the attached letter for more information.

[VCH Important Vaccination Reminders](#)

Registration is Open for the following West Vancouver Schools Academy Programs:

Basketball: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/basketball/>

Field Hockey: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/field-hockey/>

Soccer: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/soccer/>

Tennis: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/tennis/>



B.C. Training and Education Savings Program Grant For K-3 Families

Please see the following link for information regarding the [B.C. Training and Education Savings Program Grant](#) available to parent/guardians of students in Kindergarten through Grade 3. Your child may be eligible for a \$1,200 B.C. Training and Education Savings Grant for their post-secondary education or training.

Parent Workshop

This workshop is specifically designed for parents of incoming K students. Please follow [this link](#) to register.



WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS
A world of opportunity

for incoming kindergarten parents and guardians

Parent Workshop #1
WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER
Simple solutions for building durable kids

When: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Saturday, April 5th

Where: West Vancouver Community Centre, (Garden Room) 2121 Marine Drive

Who: Parents & guardians of children (beginning Kindergarten September 2025)

To register click [HERE](#)

QR code

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

Questions: email mparackal@wvschools.ca


Limited childcare spots available. To register for childcare call 604-925-7270 and mention the workshop with code 187253


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Special Offer from Kay Meek

Kay Meek Theatre is proud to present a special opportunity to experience the nationally recognized work of Dancers of Damelahamid with an exclusive \$10 discount on each ticket for teachers, staff, and families.

[Dancers of Damelahamid: Spirit and Tradition](#)

 When: April 26, 2025 | 7:30 PM

 Where: Kay Meek Arts Centre, 1700 Mathers Ave, West Vancouver, BC

 Tickets: \$10 with promo code SPIRIT10 | KAYMEEK.COM | 604-981-6335

Immerse yourself in the Indigenous culture of the Northwest Coast with *Spirit and Tradition*, a visually stunning performance that layers coastal masked dance, projected imagery, soundscapes, and LED puppetry. Through the storytelling traditions of the Northwest Coast, this performance connects audiences to the rich ecosystem of the coastal mountains and oceans.

 Watch the Show Trailer: [Click here](#)

About the Company

The Dancers of Damelahamid are an Indigenous dance company from British Columbia's Northwest Coast, with a deep-rooted history of masked dance that continues to bridge tradition with contemporary practice. Their work is recognized nationally and internationally, including their recent Coastal Dance Festival, which brought together Indigenous communities and performers from across the world.

 Learn more about the company: [Dancers of Damelahamid](#)

Don't miss this rare and powerful opportunity to witness Indigenous artistry in motion. Get your discounted tickets today!