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April 17, 2025

Upcoming Holidays

A reminder that schools will be closed for the Easter holiday weekend on both **Friday, April 18**th and **Monday, April 21**st. Enjoy the long weekend!



School Enrollment for 2025-26

Planning for the next school year is now in progress, and we are actively accepting registrations for new students entering our schools in September 2025. To assist us with offering placements for new students, and to provide a smooth transition for all students to their next grade level, parents are asked to inform the school office <u>if your child will not be returning in September</u>.

A form was sent home with all Gleneagles families this past week; parents at Lions Bay school are asked to contact the school office and let Ms. Cox know if your child will not be returning in September. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance with this important task.

*As you make travel and return to school plans, please refer to AP 300: "Enrolled students will be removed from the school's register if the student has not returned to school by 3:00 pm on the Thursday after school opening." (ie. September 4, 2025)

Student Learning Conferences

Student Learning Conferences are being held <u>next week</u> at both GEC & LB and parents are encouraged to attend and take advantage of this opportunity to see firsthand what your child is working on in their classroom. Please mark your calendars (Lions Bay: April 24, Gleneagles: April 25) and see details below for times and specifics. We look forward to seeing you soon!

GLENEAGLES NEWS

Earth Day

April 22nd, 2025 will mark the 55th anniversary of Earth Day. This day is recognized in 192 countries and over one billion people around the globe are expected to participate. We invite and encourage our GEC community to take a moment to pause and reflect on the importance of protecting and respecting our planet so that it can be enjoyed for many more generations.

At GEC, classes are recognizing Earth Day through our connection to the land. This includes engaging in nature studies, artwork, and environmental clean-ups, to name a

few. Students in Divisions 4, 5 and 6 are also taking part in the "Cool Climate Challenge" over the next month.

The Global theme for Earth Day this year is "Our Power, Our Planet". To read more about this topic including renewable energy facts, please visit <u>earthday.org</u>.

Inspirational Visit

On **Tuesday, April 22**nd we are looking forward to a presentation by Dave Jonsson, a well-known inspirational speaker. Dave is a professional skater who survived a plane crash in the mountains of Squamish. He has been speaking to kids for 15 years and talks about his experience, and about perseverance and resilience. This presentation will be held in two age-appropriate sessions, one for students in K to grade 3 and a second presentation for students in grades 4 to 7. Thank you to Ms. Philip for organizing this opportunity for us.

Grade 7 Fundraiser – last week to place your orders!

Spring is here - 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: <u>GEC Grade 7 Plant Sale</u>

Student Learning Conferences

All parents are invited to this event which will take place on **Friday, April 25**th. The GEC PAC will host a parent coffee time in the gym from 8:30 to 9:00 am, followed by a school-wide open house from 9:00 to 10:00 am where parents can visit classrooms and enjoy a conference time with their child(ren). Students will engage in learning with their parent(s) and offer a firsthand look at what they are working on at school. No appointment is necessary, but please mark your calendars for April 25th.

Winners of the Golden Tickets!

Ticket sales for our upcoming Willy Wonka show are well underway and parents are encouraged to make their purchase as soon as possible in order to avoid disappointment. As mentioned previously, families who purchased tickets by April 17th would be entered into a draw to win 2 Golden Tickets – front row seats!



The winners of the Golden Tickets are the Jakob family (Monday's show) and the Jonsson family (Tuesday's show)! Tickets will be distributed and sent home via students, and you will have 2 reserved seats at the shows! Congrats!

Willy Wonka Jr.

Our show dates are quickly approaching, and preparations are proving to be amazing! We will be holding two evening shows which will feature our cast of students who have been rehearsing for many weeks, along with all students in grade 4 through 7. Parents are asked to reserve these dates in your calendar to ensure that your child is able to participate.

Tickets are now available for all grade 4 to 7 families through School Cash Online and are limited at 4 tickets per family. Space is limited due to fire regulations in the gym, so get your tickets soon to avoid disappointment! Extra tickets may be requested through our waitlist – please email Ms. Pistilli to request extra tickets at mapistilli@wvschools.ca.

Students in kindergarten through to grade 3 will have an opportunity to watch our dress rehearsal on the afternoon of Monday, April 28th, along with our friends from Lions Bay school who will be joining us that day. This is a closed dress rehearsal for students and staff only.

Monday, April 28 th , 6:30 pm Tickets are \$5.00 each	Featuring all cast members along with students in Divisions 2 (Mrs. Staples), 3 (Ms. McIntyre) and 4 (Ms. Zandvliet) classes
Tuesday, April 29 th , 6:30 pm Tickets are \$5.00 each	Featuring all cast members along with students in Divisions 1 (Ms. Philip), 5 (Mrs. Foster) and 6 (Ms. Maledy) classes

<u>Costume Requirements:</u> Grade 4 to 7 students (who are not a featured cast member) will be performing during their assigned show and have been rehearsing during music class with Ms. Inkster. These students are asked to wear a plain white or brown t-shirt (no large logos please) with dark bottoms. Additional accessories will be provided at school. Thank you!



GEC PAC Fundraiser

To date, we have raised \$5540 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 reach out to Emily at gecpacchair@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!



GEC PAC Meeting

Please see the minutes from last week's PAC Meeting attached here: April 9, 2025 Thank you again to Superintendent Kennedy for attending our PAC meeting in person to discuss AI use in West Vancouver schools. This was a very engaging and informative presentation for everyone.

LIONS BAY NEWS

Earth Day

To celebrate Earth Day, Lions Bay students will take part in meaningful, hands-on activities that promote environmental awareness and care for the planet. Students will participate in a schoolyard cleanup, collecting litter around our school grounds while learning about the harmful effects garbage can have on wildlife. Following the cleanup, students will go on a hike to search for signs of animal life. They'll observe and discuss animal behaviors, habitats, and how these creatures meet their basic needs for food, water, and shelter in their natural environment.



Earth Day is recognized globally on **Tuesday, April 22nd** with an estimated one billion people around the world recognizing this day. To learn more about Earth Day, visit earthday.org.

Student Learning Conferences

Conferences will be held on **Thursday, April 24**th with an <u>early dismissal in effect</u> <u>on this day at 12:15 pm.</u> Families are asked to sign up for a conference time using the link emailed out by classroom teachers last week. We look forward to having you join us to engage with your child's learning at Lions Bay.



Spirit Day

Bring your stuffies to school on **Friday, April 25**th for our next Spirit Day! Our grade 3's have decided it's "bring your stuffy to school day" on this day and everyone is invited to join in!

New Self-Regulation Spaces

You may have noticed a few changes to some of the spaces in our school over Spring Break, notably the former flex space and changes to the K/1 classroom such as the tent and library. These self-regulation spaces are quiet, calm, safe areas in the school where all students can go to manage big emotions, reset focus, develop coping skills, and get back to learning, often alongside a trusted adult. "Going to these spaces for a break is not a punishment – it is proactive support. When students learn how to identify and manage their emotions, they are better able to participate in class, build relationships and succeed in school." (Dr. L. Desautels 2018)

A big thank you to Mrs. Hood for her time and energy in setting up these spaces for our kids.









Butterflies

We're excited to welcome 12 tiny caterpillars into our grade 2/3 classroom! Students will be observing their incredible transformation as they grow, form chrysalides, and eventually emerge as beautiful Painted Lady butterflies. It's a hands-on science experience that brings the life cycle to life!



DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, April 18 th	Good Friday Holiday – schools closed
Monday, April 21st	Easter Monday Holiday – schools closed
Tuesday, April 22 nd	Earth Day
	Inspirational Speaker (Dave Jonsson) presentation in gym at GEC
	Ultimate game #3 at Cedardale, 3:30pm
Wednesday, April 23 rd	Playground Strength Training workshops at GEC, gr. 4 to 7
Thursday, April 24 th	Simple Machines workshop for Divisions 4/5/6 at GEC
	Student Learning Conferences at LB, with early dismissal at 12:15 pm
Friday, April 25 th	GEC Parent coffee in the gym at 8:30am
	Student Learning Conferences in classrooms at GEC, 9:00 – 10:00am
	Reading Link Challenge in Learning Commons, gr. 4/5
Monday, April 28 th	LB students visiting GEC
	Willy Wonka Jr! Opening Night, 6:30pm
	(class performances by Divisions 2, 3, 4)
Tuesday, April 29 th	Willy Wonka Jr! Closing Night, 6:30pm
	(class performances by Divisions 1, 5, 6)
Thursday, May 1 st	Photo Day at GEC – classes, grade 7 group & school panorama
	Ultimate Tournament @ Hugo Ray Park, 1:00 pm
	Bob Baker (Saplek) visit at LB
Friday, May 2 nd	Pancake Breakfast at LB, 8:00 am

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please visit our <u>District Community Connections page</u> to see upcoming community news and events.

2025 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2025. Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opened on Monday, April 7. Elementary registration closes on May 9. Secondary registration closes on June 13.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (elementary or secondary) or on the Summer Learning Website.

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

Basketball: https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/basketball/

Field Hockey: https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/field-hockey/

Soccer: https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/soccer/
Tennis: https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/tennis/

Outdoor Pickleball Courts & Pump Track proposed near Gleneagles Community Centre

The District of West Vancouver is exploring the idea of constructing four outdoor pickleball courts and a new paved pump track near the Gleneagles Community Centre (GECC) to enhance recreation opportunities for residents in the western part of the community. This proposal could involve replacing the existing Bike Terrain Park and Skateboard Bowl located north of GECC.

The design for this proposal is in its preliminary phase and may be modified based on input from the community. The District of West Vancouver are seeking your feedback to help shape this potential project. https://www.westvancouverite.ca/gleneagles

Join Us for Taste of the Bay



TICKETS ON SALE MAY 1ST: ADULTS \$30 / CHILDREN \$15

AVAILABLE AT TROLL'S BLENZ, GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

PADDLE YOUR WAY AROUND HORSESHOE BAY

VISIT THE PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES FOR A SAMPLING OF FOOD, DRINK AND OTHER GOODIES.

ENTER YOUR TICKET AT THE END FOR AMAZING PRIZES.

THREE ADULT PRIZE DRAWS LIVE MUSIC

KIDS PADDLE BOARD PRIZE DRAW



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