



Gleneagles



Ch'axáy  
ELEMENTARY



LIONS BAY  
SCHOOL

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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

여가들 민악에 주심시요

CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG

Xin nhờ người dịch hộ

समूची माहवारी

सिक्का मरहे विहिं केसं विहा या उमेका मरवाय ।

INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE

Busque alguien que le traduzca.

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

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Isalin sa wikang tagalog kung hindi maintindihan

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معلومات هامة

ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ

Переведите это, пожалуйста.

September 25, 2025

### School Closures

A reminder that **Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>** is a Pro-D Day in West Vancouver and classes will not be in session as our staff attend professional development sessions. We wish all our families a wonderful long weekend and we look forward to seeing students back on Monday!

On **Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** all schools will be closed in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Canada. Don't forget to wear your orange shirts on Monday!

### Orange Shirt Day

All students at both Gleneagles and Lions Bay schools are invited to **wear an orange shirt to school on Monday, September 29<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](#).



# GLENEAGLES NEWS

## Picture Day!

Our school photographer, [Edge Imaging](#), will be on site on **Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>** to take individual student photos, beginning at 9 am. Mark your calendars and bring your smiles to school on this day!



## GEC PAC Meeting

The first PAC meeting for this school year will be held on **Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** and all parents are encouraged to attend. This meeting will be held in-person in the school Learning Commons beginning at 6:30 pm.

Please see the meeting agenda here: [Oct. 1 Agenda](#)

## Spirit Wear Now Available!

Our online store for purchasing Spirit Wear is now open at the following link: [GEC SPIRIT WEAR](#)



We have a number of youth and adult items for sale this year, including T-shirts, polo shirts, long sleeve shirts, sweatpants and headwear. The store is open **until October 13<sup>th</sup>** and orders will be distributed 2 to 3 weeks after that.

## Hot Lunch

The Munch-A-Lunch system is now closed, and the first Hot Lunch delivery will begin on **Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**. Parents are reminded to check their email daily for notification reminders from Munch-A-Lunch and don't forget to send cutlery to school for your child! Hot Lunch is from Tuesday-Friday.

**IMPORTANT: Please remember to send utensils to school with your child as these will not be provided.**

The Hot Lunch ordering system will **re-open briefly from October 9 to 15** (with delivery starting on October 21<sup>st</sup>). This is an opportunity for parents to make changes to existing orders or to submit a new order.

For any questions or assistance, please contact our Hot Lunch co-ordinators at [gechotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:gechotlunch@gmail.com). Thank you to our co-ordinators Russel and Sonia and thank you to our families for your support of our biggest school fundraiser!

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent-Teacher Interviews are scheduled for **October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>** and the online scheduling system will open for parents on Monday morning, September 29<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 (10 minutes) 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 for assistance.

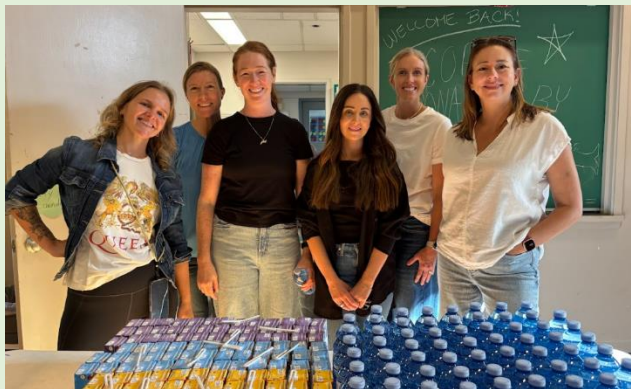
## Terry Fox Run

A big thank you to everyone who sent in donations for our Terry Fox Run this past week. Our school raised \$470 which will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation. Thank you also to our parent volunteers who manned the route and helped to keep everyone safe. Well done!



## GEC Open House

A big thank you to our GEC PAC for organizing a terrific event at last week's Open House! It was a great opportunity for our community to make connections and visit the school. Thank you!



# LIONS BAY NEWS

## LB PAC Meeting

The first PAC meeting for this school year is tonight, Thursday, **September 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**. This meeting will be held online, via Teams. All Lions Bay school parents are encouraged to attend.

Please see the PAC Meeting Agenda here: [September PAC Mtg Agenda](#)

To join the meeting, please follow the link below:

Microsoft Teams [Need help?](#)

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 281 624 034 140

Passcode: ZJ98mU9H

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Interviews are scheduled for **October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>** at Lions Bay with early dismissal in effect only on Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 12:15 pm.

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.

To schedule an interview time, please refer to the email sent from your classroom teacher.

## Item Collection

We are removing our request here for empty toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls and other unique cardboard pieces (eg. cracker box or Apple product box) – but please remember that we want them ALL YEAR LONG. Please consider us before they go in your recycling bin! Thank you.


## DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, September 25 <sup>th</sup>	Outdoor Leadership presentation, Grades 6 & 7 Lions Bay PAC Meeting, 6:00 pm
Friday, September 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Professional Development Day (school not in session)</b>
Monday, September 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Orange Shirt Day recognized (wear orange to school)</b>
Tuesday, September 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>National Day for Truth &amp; Reconciliation (school not in session)</b>


Wednesday, October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Parent/Teacher Interviews at LB, early dismissal at 12:15 pm First day for Hot Lunch at Gleneagles GEC PAC Meeting in the Library, 6:30 pm
Tuesday, October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Photo Day at GEC Parent/Teacher Interviews at LB beginning at 2:45 pm
Friday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	World Teacher Day!
Monday, October 6 <sup>th</sup>	Baseball workshop in the gym, grades 1 to 4
Tuesday, October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Last Cross Country Meet, 3:30 pm
October 8 & 9	Parent/Teacher Interviews at GEC, early dismissal at 12:05 pm
Monday, October 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Thanksgiving Day Holiday (school not in session)</b>

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Parent Guide to Discord



## Parent's Guide to Discord



### General Information

Discord is a communication platform that allows users to interact via text, voice and video. It was initially used by gamers but now has spread to many other groups.

**13** Discord's own policy states that users must be 13 or older. For a person who is younger than 13 to create a Discord account, they have LIED about their age.

Unfortunately, students as young as 10 and 11 years have gotten caught up in cyber-bullying and inappropriate activities on Discord.

### Public & Private Spaces

Discord has PUBLIC spaces (servers) that are available to all. Anything your child posts there can be seen by anyone. PRIVATE spaces are by invitation only.

### Livestream

Users can stream live video of themselves on Discord, for others to watch. Whether they are on a PRIVATE or PUBLIC server, this could expose them to people they don't know. By watching other people's livestreams, they could be exposed to information that is inappropriate, violent or sexual in nature.

### Did You Know?

In Canada, cyberbullying and child pornography can be criminal offenses. If your child participates in either of these, while using Discord (or other social media), you, as the parent, can be held liable for what they have done, and be prosecuted by law.

### Discord at School

West Vancouver Schools DOES NOT allow students to access Discord while using school wifi.

### If your child is under 13

- They **SHOULD NOT** be using Discord.
- As soon as they enter school grounds, their phone should be put away and not brought out again until they leave school grounds
- Consider holding off on getting them a phone as long as possible and if you do get them a phone, make sure you establish rules and guidelines over its use.

### Did you know?

- DM refers to a private discussion with a certain person on Discord.
- GDM refers to a group messaging situation of up to 10 invited people. Be aware that because of the limit, users can end up feeling left out if they are outside of the 10.
- Through Discord, students can end up being exposed to inappropriate content, cyberbullying and unknown contacts.
- Gamers still make up the lions share of Discord participants. Online gaming is one of the main ways predators groom their victims.

### If your child has Discord

- Make sure they are old enough to be on it - remember, at least 13!!
- Users are able to **BLOCK** and **REPORT** other users who are not following community guidelines. Make sure your child knows how to do this.
- Talk to them about their Discord use on a regular basis - find out what they're doing and who they are communicating with.
- Familiarize yourself with all of the safety settings and features then talk to your child about online safety and your family values and rules.
- Remember, **YOU** are the adult! If your child is not using Discord safely, you can shut off their data or wifi.