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LIONS BAY  
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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION  
PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED**

**RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS  
Prière de les faire traduire.**

**重要資料  
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**

**여러분께 주십시오**

**CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG**

**Xin nhờ người dịch hộ**

**समूची माहवारी**

**विकल्प बदलने विषय केसके विषय पर ध्यान देना चाहिए ।**

**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.**

December 18, 2025

### A Message from Mrs. Hulme

As the term comes to a close and we head into the holiday break, I want to extend my best wishes to you and your families for a safe, restful, and joyful season.

These past months have been a time of learning and connection for me as I've settled into Gleneagles and Lions Bay. I am grateful for the openness, kindness, and collaboration that I've experienced from students, families, and staff alike. It has been a privilege to join a community that so clearly values care, respect, and growth. Our students continue to remind us each day why this work matters. Supported by a dedicated staff and enriched by the generosity of our PACs and parent volunteers, our schools are vibrant places where children are encouraged to explore, take risks in their learning, and celebrate their successes together.



Thank you for the many ways you support your children and partner with our schools. That shared commitment makes a meaningful difference and strengthens everything we do.

On behalf of the staff at Gleneagles and Lions Bay, I wish you a holiday filled with rest, connection, and moments that matter. We look forward to welcoming students back in the new year and continuing our work together in 2026.

Warmly,  
Christine Hulme  
Principal

## West Vancouver Schools Parent Text Alerts

For parents/guardians who would like to be notified of a school emergency such as power outages, severe weather or safety alerts via SMS, please text a “Y” or “Yes” to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.

## Use of Personal Devices in School

Over the first term, students and staff have worked hard to follow the West Vancouver Schools Personal Digital Device (PDD) expectations. Classrooms are more focused, transitions are smoother, and students tell us they can concentrate better without the pull of their phones. Thank you to families for reinforcing these habits at home.

As we return to school after the winter break, please help us keep this momentum going by reminding your children of the digital device expectations while at school.

### What’s expected at school:

**Elementary (K–7):** Cell phones are not used during the school day, including before and after school and at recess and lunch times. Laptops may be used to support learning during instructional time, only with explicit staff permission.

**Secondary (8–12):** Cell phones and other digital devices should only be used during instructional time with explicit staff permission. Device use should be intentional, supervised, and tied to learning.

### How families can help:

Parents and guardians are encouraged to support schools by demonstrating these expectations whenever possible. This includes limiting adult cell phone use in and around school and refraining from contacting your child during school hours.

### West Vancouver Schools

#### Parent & Guardian's Guide to Personal Digital Devices

Personal Digital Devices include any personal electronic device that can be used to communicate or to access the internet, such as cell phones, phones, laptops, tablets, smartwatches and any other portable technology device.

Laptops are the preferred device for school use.

While digital devices can enhance learning in many ways, allowing students to collaborate, create and communicate, it is important that they are used in a mindful and meaningful way.

Personal digital devices should only be used with the permission of a teacher or administrator. Additional considerations will be made to provide for student's health and accessibility needs, and accommodation requirements.

#### Elementary

Cell phones should NOT be used in elementary school.

#### Secondary

Cell phones should only be used in class if specifically required for a learning task.

What can parents and guardians do to help?

- Understand the digital device expectations at your child's school
- Support and encourage your child's appropriate use of digital devices
- Refrain from contacting your child during the school day. If it's an emergency, contact the school office
- Personally model and encourage digital device boundaries

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## Student Illness

As we move into the winter months and cold and flu season, this is a reminder for parents to keep sick kids at home when they are not feeling well. Students should be able to actively participate in school activities and sit in class through a long day of learning.

Please keep your child at home if they:

- Have a fever
- Are too sick to take part in all normal school activities
- Have a suspected or known communicable disease
- Is vomiting or has diarrhea
- Students should be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school.

Thank you for your consideration and cooperation with these guidelines. Help us to keep everyone healthy at school!

Some more information can be found through the links below:

**Health Link BC:** by calling 811, you can speak to a health service professional, more info is here:

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/>

**Sneezes & Diseases Quick Guide:**

[https://www.bccdc.ca/schools/Documents/EN\\_Guide\\_Childhood\\_Diseases.pdf](https://www.bccdc.ca/schools/Documents/EN_Guide_Childhood_Diseases.pdf)

### 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](#)). 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.

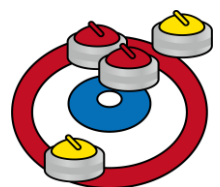
Please check the [school district website](#) for the most current information on school closures.

## GLENEAGLES NEWS

### Looking Ahead to Term 2

**Basketball:** our grade 7 basketball season will commence in January with the first game scheduled for **January 20<sup>th</sup>**. Games will be held on Tuesdays after school with a tournament scheduled at the end of February at WVSS. The boys' team will be coached by Ms. McIntyre and the girls' team by Mrs. Staples. Detailed permission forms with more info will be sent home in January with all interested students.

**Rocks & Rings:** we are looking forward to Rocks & Rings, a program presented by Curling Canada, who will visit Gleneagles on **January 12 and 13**. All students will have an opportunity to participate in some drills, relays and activities that introduce students to the sport of curling with a focus on FUN. There is no cost for this activity due to the generosity of the GEC PAC - thank you for supporting enriching programs for our students.



**Ice Skating:** we have some skating sessions booked at the West Van Ice Arena and all students will have an opportunity to enjoy one skating session with their classmates. **January 29, February 5 and February 12<sup>th</sup>** are

the scheduled dates, and more information will be shared out in January. There will be a small activity fee for skating.

### Hot Lunch for Term 2

Hot Lunch is now open for orders for Term 2 and we're **removing the open and close windows** so you can place orders at any time! You will still be able to order for the full term ahead, however you will now be able to go back in and make changes up to two weeks before each delivery date.

Please note that orders will automatically close at 8pm, 14 days before each lunch delivery, giving families greater flexibility to adjust their orders. When making changes, **please double check the new start date** for your child's lunch and remember that any changes will take effect after two weeks.



*For example: parents go into Munch-A-Lunch and place an order for the entire term, your child comes home and says "I don't want mac and cheese anymore". You can now go back to Munch-A-Lunch, go to the mac & cheese days, change the order, and then tell your child "you will have to eat your mac & cheese for 2 more weeks until it changes to the new order".*

Hot lunch is served Tuesday to Friday and we are continuing with the same vendors as Term 1. If you have any inquiries after your child has received their meal, please contact the Hot Lunch coordinators at [gechotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:gechotlunch@gmail.com). (Please do not contact the food vendors directly).

Thank you for your support and we hope that the new system will make it easier to accommodate changes and preferences for kids and parents! **Place your orders here:** [GEC Munch-A-Lunch](#)

### GEC PAC Meeting

Please see the minutes from our last PAC Meeting held on November 19<sup>th</sup> here: [Minutes](#)

The next PAC meeting will be held in person on **Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the GEC Library.**

### After School Clubs

The following clubs will continue for Term 2 and registration is now open:

#### Mixed Media Art with Tracey

Join Tracey for a fun art studio experience where we will explore various techniques and materials through both guided and self-directed projects! This club runs on Mondays, 2:35 to 4:15 pm in the Flex Room. Please register by [filling in this form](#) and submitting payment as listed on the form.

#### Act Create & Play

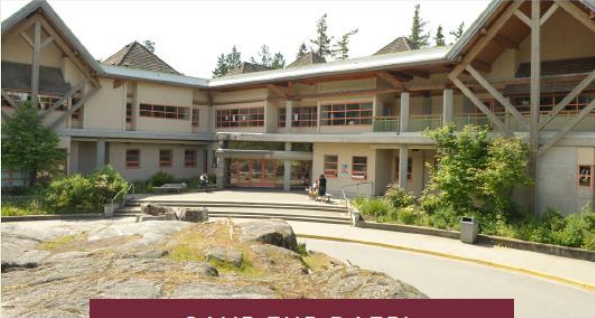
In this program kids explore theatre through acting games, puppetry, storytelling and hands-on crafts. Classes run on Tuesdays from 2:35 to 3:35 pm. Please [follow this link](#) to register and see more information.





## Rockridge Info Night – January 8<sup>th</sup>


Students who will be entering grade 8 in September 2026 are invited to the following event at Rockridge:



SAVE THE DATE!

FOR OUR ANNUAL

INFORMATION NIGHT FOR  
INCOMING GRADE 8 STUDENTS AND  
FAMILIES



Date: Thursday, January 8th, 2026  
Time: 6:30\* - 8:00 pm  
Where: Rockridge Secondary  
5350 Headland Drive, West Vancouver

\*WE WILL BE WELCOMING BOWEN ISLAND FAMILIES TO TOUR  
THE ROCK FROM 6:00-6:30PM SO THAT THEY CAN TAKE THE  
EARLIER FERRY

## LIONS BAY NEWS

### Happy Holidays

Best wishes to all our Lions Bay families for a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season!

Our grade 3s have decided that tomorrow is PJ Day, and everyone is encouraged to come to school in their cozy PJs.



### Upcoming Events in January

We are looking forward to Term 2 and seeing all students back at school on **Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**. Don't forget about our **PAC's Tree Chipping Fundraiser happening on January 4<sup>th</sup>** in the school parking lot.

We have a guest visitor joining us on **January 27<sup>th</sup>** from the Canadian Planetarium who will do curriculum-specific presentations for our classes and our grade 3's will be venturing out for a skating session at the West Van Arena on **Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**. Look for more information to be shared out in January.

### Please Join Us!

Please join us at school on **Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>** for our **Gingerbread Sing-A-Long from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm!** This will be a fun event for students and parents to come together and celebrate the holiday season before venturing off for the winter break. Students will showcase their learning by singing and performing and we'll all sing a song or two.

Please bring some loonies and toonies to purchase a sweet treat from the PAC's Bake Sale. Thank you!  
**Early dismissal is in effect on this day at 12:15 pm.**



### PAC Meeting

Please view the PAC Meeting Minutes from our November meeting here: [PAC Meeting Minutes](#)

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**, it's a two-event night with a movie night too! More info to come.

### Spice & Baking Supplies Drive

Thank you to our Lions Bay community for your generous donations to support our spice and baking drive. Your items will go a long way to helping families in need celebrate the holiday season. Thank you!



### LB PAC Fundraiser

Help support our PAC and come by our **Christmas Tree Chipping on Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>** in the school parking lot. Drop off of trees is by donation, or you can arrange to have your tree picked up for \$20.

Please send your donations by etransfer to [lionsbaypac45@gmail.com](mailto:lionsbaypac45@gmail.com) . Thank you for your support!



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, December 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school before Winter Break Holiday PJ Day & Kids Cancer fundraiser at GEC Gingerbread Sing-A-Long at LB, 11:30 to 12:15 pm <b>Early dismissal at GEC at 12:05 pm</b> <b>Early dismissal at LB at 12:15 pm</b>
Sunday, January 4 <sup>th</sup>	Tree Chipping Fundraiser at LB school parking lot

Monday, January 5 <sup>th</sup>	Classes resume after winter break
Thursday, January 8 <sup>th</sup>	Rockridge Info Night for new grade 8 families, 6:30 pm
January 12 & 13	Rocks & Rings program at GEC
Tuesday, January 13 <sup>th</sup>	Science Presentation on Teeth in Div. 5
Wednesday, January 14 <sup>th</sup>	GEC PAC Meeting via Teams at 6:30 pm

## COMMUNITY NEWS

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

**West Vancouver Schools Parent/Caregiver Digital Guides**

[Parents Guide to Social Media and Digital Devices](#)