



GLENEAGLES CH'AXAY & LIONS BAY E-BULLETIN

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January 22, 2026

Student Learning Updates

A reminder to parents that student Learning Updates were published in December and are still available for viewing and downloading through your MyEd BC Family Portal account. Student reports will be available for the remainder of this school year and parents are encouraged to [download a copy](#) for your records. If you are having difficulty accessing your child's reports, please contact Ms. Pistilli in the school office mapistilli@wvschools.ca who can assist you. **It is important that parents have access to the MyEd BC Family portal, as your child's reports will continue to be shared through this platform right through to their grade 12 year.**

MyEducationBC

Feeding Futures

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare [Feeding Futures initiative](#), the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to school Principal Mrs. Hulme chulme@wvschools.ca or to feedingfutures@wvschools.ca if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

Upcoming Pro-D Day

A reminder that **Friday, January 30th** is a Professional Development Day for all staff in West Vancouver and school will not be in session for students on this day. Please see below in the [community section](#) for a Sports Program being offered for interested students at Chartwell Elementary.

GLENNEAGLES NEWS

Lunar New Year

The Lunar New Year in 2026 welcomes the **Year of the Horse** and will be recognized beginning **February 17th**. Celebrated by millions of people around the world, this is a time for cultural traditions, family reunions and hope for good fortune in the coming year.

We are looking for some parent volunteers to help organize student activities on this day - if you are interested, please contact Mrs. Hulme directly at chulme@wvschools.ca. All interested parents are invited to join us for a planning meeting on **Tuesday, January 27th at 8:50 am in the Learning Commons**. Thank you to those that have already reached out!



Ice Skating at WV Arena

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 12th** are the scheduled dates, students will travel via school bus for skating, and there will be an activity fee of \$10 per student. The cost is the same regardless if students bring their own skates or require rentals. Students will be divided into grade groups for skating (not by division/classroom).

Please return the permission form and submit payment through [School Cash Online](#) as soon as possible. We are looking for parent volunteers to join us at the arena to assist with skates, please check the volunteer box on the permission form if you can help us out. Thank you!

Thursday, January 29th	9:15-10:15 am, Divs. 8, 9 & 10 All K, Grade 1 and Grade 2's Parent volunteers please arrive at WVCC at 9:25 am	10:30-11:30 am, Div 6 & 7 All Grade 3's only Parent volunteers please arrive at WVCC at 10:30 am
Thursday, February 5th	9:30-10:45 am, Div 5, 6 & 7 All Grade 4's only Parent volunteers please arrive at WVCC at 9:45 am	10:45-11:30 am, Div 3, 4 and 5 All Grade 5's only Parent volunteers please meet at WVCC at 10:30 am
Thursday, February 12th	9:30-10:45 am, Div 1, 2, 3, & 4 All Grade 6's only Parent volunteers please meet at WVCC at 9:45 am	10:45-11:30 am, Div 1 and 2 All Grade 7's only Parent volunteers please meet at WVCC at 10:30 am

GEC PAC Meeting

The minutes from last week's PAC meeting can be found [here](#).

The next PAC meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 18th** and will be held via Teams.

Hot Lunch Reminders

Don't forget that you can always access the Munch-A-Lunch system to edit an existing order or place a new order. Food will arrive at school for your child 2 weeks after you have placed an order. If you have any questions or require assistance with Hot Lunch, please contact Sonia or Russell at gechotlunch@gmail.com .

IMPORTANT: Don't forget that your child requires cutlery at school for their lunches as our vendors do not provide cutlery. Also, please consider packing a Ziploc bag for your child so that this can be used to pack extra food items to bring home. We are finding that food items are sometimes spilling in backpacks and kids are struggling with having to bring messy food items home.

Place your orders here: [GEC Munch-A-Lunch](#)

Traffic Reminders

We understand that parking is limited, and that drop-off and pick-up logistics can be challenging. Parents are asked to keep the following guidelines in mind:

- Please have your child use the cross walk (do not cross in the middle of the street)
- Please do not have your car running/idling as you are waiting. Consider our environment and turn off your engine
- Do not park in the bus zone, please use designated parking spots
- Please consider walking to school to pick up your child if possible or use the lot at the community center and walk up for pick up to help with vehicle congestion.



Mrs. Hulme has been in contact with the city of West Van and the Ministry of Transportation and has been informed that the parking lot located under the overpass will remain closed for the foreseeable future due to safety concerns. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding with our limited parking availability at this time.

Spirit Wear is Now Available!

The online store is open and limited items are available – T-shirts (short and long-sleeved) and crew neck sweatshirts. The ordering deadline is **February 8th**.

You can access the store through this link: [GEC SPIRIT WEAR](#)

New! Multi-Sport program for Term 3

Does your child love sports? We will be offering a new after school program beginning **March 31st through to May 19th**.

This program offers exposure to a variety of sports and activities and will run on Tuesdays after school in the gym.

Follow [this link for more information and to register.](#)

GLENEAGLES SPORT EXPLORERS AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM



📍 Gleneagles Elementary
Grades K-4

📅 March 31st - May 19th

🕒 Tuesdays 2:40pm-4:10pm

💲 Cost: \$240 + GST (8 Sessions)

Key Features

Multi-Sport Programming
Participants experience a variety of sports and activities including soccer, basketball, ultimate, pickleball, handball and more

Experienced Coaches
Our coaches are dedicated to providing an unforgettable experience!

Suitable for All!
Programming suitable for all ages, skill levels, and backgrounds.

JOIN NOW!



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LIONS BAY NEWS

Spirit Day

The next spirit day will be held on **Thursday, January 29th**. Our grade 3 students have decided that it is “Opposite Day”! Students are invited to come to school dressed in clothes backwards, inside out, mismatched shoes, summer clothes in winter, or dress like a teacher instead of a student. We look forward to saying “goodbye” instead of hello in the morning, and more. 😊

Lights, Camera, Students!

We’re so excited to share our brand-new school promotional video—brought to life by the incredible voices of our Grade 3 students! We hope we’ve captured the energy, warmth, and spirit of our school, and we couldn’t be prouder. The video can be found on the homepage of our school website. Be sure to give it a watch—it’s a joyful glimpse into our community, told through the voices of our learners.

Please have a look here: [Welcome to Lions Bay School video](#)

National Silly Socks Day

The day was full of silly socks, silly sock books and silly sock drawings and writing!



PAC Meeting & Movie Night

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

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, January 29th** at **6:00 pm**, it's a two-event night with a movie night too! Movie night starts at 5:30 pm and families are invited to join us in the big ideas area for an in-person PAC meeting once our students are settled and enjoying the movie.

We will be sharing and discussing our new school wide “sorting things out” framework created by our staff. And as always, we’ll celebrate the good things happening in our school and the ways that the PAC contributes to all the good. Please join us - child care will be provided during Movie Night for your child if you wish to attend the meeting.

Please see PAC Meeting Agenda here:

[Jan. 29 Agenda](#)

Kids are asked to bring a water bottle; popcorn, pizza and admission can be pre-ordered by sending an e-transfer to lionsbaypac45@gmail.com .

LIONS BAY SCHOOLS PAC'S **MOVIE NIGHT**

FUNDRAISER

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29
5:30PM

\$10: MOVIE, POPCORN, 1 SLICE PIZZA

\$5: MOVIE, POPCORN

\$5 EXTRA PIZZA SLICE

ETRANSFER: lionsbaypac45@gmail.com

PAC MEETING

6:00 PM

LIBRARY

CHILD CARE WILL BE PROVIDED
DURING MOVIE NIGHT IF YOU
WISH TO ATTEND
THE MEETING



**DON'T FORGET YOUR
WATER BOTTLE!**

Black History Month & Lunar New Year

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If you would like to help decorate our school or be a special guest to speak about Black History Month, please also contact Ms. Ohlhauser. Thank you!

The answer for the Hip Hop question is ...

Hip Hop started in New York City, specifically in the Bronx.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

in February

If there are any families who want to decorate our school, or be a special guest to talk with our students about Black History Month, please let Jenn or Sonia know. We will be having a guest choreographer with us Feb 23-26 to teach us hip hop dancing and hip hop culture. What city did hip hop originate in? (Answer below.)



Lunar New Year

Week of Feb 17-20

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, January 22 nd	Energy Champions presentation at GEC with the BC Lions, 1:00 pm
Friday, January 23 rd	Student Principal-For-A-Day at GEC
Tuesday, January 27 th	Vision Screening for K students at LB Planetarium visit at LB, 12:45 pm Basketball game #2, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, January 28 th	GEC Field trip to MacMillan Space Center, Divs. 6 & 7 Indigenous Speaker visit at GEC with Divs. 3, 8, & 9
Thursday, January 29 th	Spirit Day at LB – Opposite Day! Skating for grades K to 3 at West Van Arena (GEC) Pencil Crayon workshop for Div. 2 at GEC Skating for grade 3s from LB at West Van Arena LB PAC Meeting & Movie Night, 5:30 pm
Friday, January 30 th	Professional Development Day
Tuesday, February 3 rd	Basketball game #3, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, February 4 th	“Flock to the Rock”, GEC grade 7s
Thursday, February 5 th	Skating for Grades 4 & 5 at GEC, WV Arena Canadian Olympian visit in Div. 9 at GEC
Friday, February 6 th	Spirit Day at GEC! – wear your GEC swag to school POWER assembly at GEC for Divs. 6 to 10

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

West Van Run! March 7 & 8

We invite students and families to take part in this fun, community run and enjoy special discounted registration. Parents and students can register for \$45 using the code **WVSCHOOLS**, and children can join the Kids 1K for \$15 using the code **WVKIDS**. These codes can also be used by other family members who would like to participate.

Whether you prefer walking, jogging, or running, this event welcomes all ages and abilities. It's a great way for families to be active together and supports our shared commitment to health and well-being across West Vancouver Schools.

Register here - <https://www.westvanrun.com/schools>

DPAC Parent Evening with Sarah Ward Please register and purchase your ticket [here](#).

**DPAC parent evening with
Sarah Ward on Executive Functioning**

Sarah Ward is an internationally recognized expert in executive function. Her practical, research-informed strategies are widely regarded as groundbreaking in supporting student learning and independence.

Drawing from executive function coaching approaches used with elementary, secondary, post-secondary students and adults, this session will help build academic success by exploring time management, task prioritization, long-term project planning and the development of independent learning habits.

Wednesday, January 28th
\$20 per ticket

REGISTER HERE

KAY MEEK THEATRE
1700 MATHERS AVE
WEST VANCOUVER

6:30 - 8:30 PM

What Parents will Gain From This Evening

Understand
Parents will gain a clear, reassuring understanding of how executive function skills develop over time, why children may struggle with organization and time management, and what is developmentally typical at different ages.

Learn
Parents will learn practical, easy-to-use strategies they can apply at home to strengthen their child's time awareness, organization, study routines and follow-through for academic success.

WEST VANCOUVER DPAC SCHOOLS

Parent Literacy Workshop

**GRADE 4 - 7
LITERACY WORKSHOP
FOR PARENTS:**

**STRENGTHENING
LITERACY FOUNDATIONS FOR
ACADEMIC SUCCESS**

**TUESDAY
JAN 27th
5:30-6:45PM**

WELSH HALL
West Vancouver
Memorial Library

Join us for an engaging evening designed for parents of students in Grades 4 - 7.

Learn about the curriculum, practical strategies, resources, and ideas to help your child strengthen their literacy skills and thrive as a learner.

Topics Covered

- Creating conditions that support learning, independence, and academic success
- Strengthening literacy skills and practices across subjects
- Reading to understand, communicate, and connect

Presenters:
Mary Parackal, Vice Principal of Early Learning
Michelle LaBounty, District Principal of Teaching & Learning
Tricia Yurkowski, District Foundational Skills Teacher
Shannon Ozimy, Head of Youth Services - West Vancouver Memorial Library

Register here! 


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Sports Program on January 30th Pro-D

SportsWeek sets the standard for what an outstanding multi-sport camp should be. We know parents value a seamless experience and kids who are genuinely excited to attend. That's exactly what we deliver. Through our expert coaches, differentiated programming, and a culture of choice and support, every child has the opportunity to thrive, build confidence, and enjoy a fun, engaging camp experience tailored to their needs.

 **Chartwell Elementary School**

 **January 30th**

 **8:30am – 3:30pm**

 **Book your spot here:**

<https://www.sportsweek.ca/event-details/sportsweek-pro-d-30th-january>




SPORT EXPLORERS
SERVING SINCE 2012

**JAN 30TH WEST VAN PRO D DAY
OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!**

ALL AGES

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER
TODAY!** 

Join Us for Parent & Tot Yoga with Ms. Philip!

This will be held in the Gleneagles gym, admission is by donation, please bring a mat.

Parent and Tot Yoga

FAMILIES (K-7 AND SIBLINGS) ARE INVITED TO JOIN GEC VP AND YOGA PRACTITIONER ALYSHA PHILIP FOR AN ALL LEVELS YOGA CLASS

WED FEB 11 @ 2:45-3:45PM
IN THE GYM

BY DONATION

BRING A MAT



RSVP
APHILIP@WVSCHOOLS.CA

MAX 20 PARTICIPANTS

Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence and Quantum Computing District Program

Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence and Quantum Computing is a hands-on, project-based course offered to students who are attending Rockridge, Sentinel or West Van Secondary. Students learn the theory and apply it to practical projects in the fields of Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence and Quantum Computing. They also have an opportunity to prepare for external certifications in Cybersecurity, Networking, Internet of Things, Programming, CompTIA, and Data Science. Students can participate in local, national, and international competitions such as *CyberPatriot* (<https://www.uscyberpatriot.org/>), *Young Defenders of the North* (<https://www.instagram.com/p/DHqs2PtM4Dw/>), *picoCTF* (<https://picoctf.org/>) from Carnegie Mellon University, *Quantum Arcade Game Jam* (<https://knowledgeflow.org/initiative/ubcs-year-of-quantum-arcade-game-jam/>) from UBC, and others. The course aims at helping students prepare material they can use for university applications.

More details about the course is available here <https://cybersecurityand.ai/>

If interested, please sign up at <https://westvancouverschools.ca/programs/cybersecurity-ai/>

There are only 4 spots left for students who will be in Grade 8 next year (2026 - 2027). Dr. Chugani will contact those shortlisted to schedule a meeting and go over the course schedule, requirements, and expectations. Please contact him (mchugani@wvschools.ca) if you have any questions prior to applying.