

# Gleneagle Secondary

#### Newsletter #4 December 2015 Principal: Mr. Ken Cober Vice Principals: Ms. Janine Close and Mr. Mike Parkins

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## Principal's Message:

During our first 2 weeks of December we hosted a significant number of activities where school pride and positive school culture were clearly evident in our student body. Some of the highlights included:

- Hosting the Tri-City Senior Girls Basketball tournament
- <u>The Spice of Life performed in the district Metfest competition</u>
- Wrestling tournaments in Burnaby and Coquitlam
- Ski and Snowboard club trip to Whistler
- Biology 12 field trip to UBC
- Law12 field trip to Vancouver law courts
- Mandarin class trip to Vancouver Chinese Gardens
- "Christmas in New York" student dance
- Grade 9 boys, junior girls, senior girls, and senior boys basketball teams competing in various tournaments in the Lower Mainland or Victoria
- Movie night for SHARE
- Business Ed student Christmas market

Gleneagle's rich learning environment is a reflection of the dedication, commitment and sense of purpose demonstrated by our students, staff and families. It is a pleasure to be a part of such a caring school community. We are continuously impressed by our students. Their enthusiasm and level of engagement is second to none and leads to outstanding success regardless of activity or event. The joy and pride demonstrated by students and staff is contagious. At our most recent PAC meeting there was a healthy conversation about all the academic, elective, and extracurricular programs and ways to develop a resource support plan that will best meet the needs of our students and school. The focus of our December staff meeting was the new K- 12 curriculum being introduced in our public school system starting next September 2016 (K - 9) and September 2017 (gr. 10 - 12). Marna MacMillan, district learning services teacher, facilitated the staff meeting workshop and will continue to support our curriculum team in the new year.

We are looking forward to this last week at Gleneagle for the 2015 calendar year, which will include the annual music department Christmas concert on Wednesday, Dec 16. We appreciate the pace that everyone will be moving at up until the December break and want to ensure that we can balance the energy and enjoyment in such a way that allows us to head into the break healthy and ready to spend time with friends, family, and recharge for 2016. We extend our best wishes to our students and families for the holiday season and look forward to our work together in the new year.

## Important information for Students

#### **Grad Transitions:**

Any grade 12 students who are **graduating at the end of January** need to complete their GT assignments as soon as possible. Students must email Ms. Horvath (<u>ihorvath@sd43.bc.ca</u>) when their assignments are done and to book a date ASAP for their Exit interview. GT is worth 4 credits and is mandatory for graduation.

**Students graduating in June 2016** are encouraged to complete their assignments and exit interviews early. The final due date for GT assignments is February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and the Exit Interview will be April 13<sup>th</sup>. All information is on the Grad Transitions website. Contact Ms. Horvath (<u>ihorvath@sd43.bc.ca</u>) if you have any questions.

All students (gr.9-12) must enter their DPA on the GT site. The whole assignment should be completed by the end of semester 1 and progress will be noted on the semester 2 report card. Contact Ms. Horvath (<u>jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca</u>) if you have any questions.

All grade 9 students will be participating in the Economics for Success presentation on Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> as part of the requirements for HCE 9. As well on that day, grade 9's will have a presentation by Reach Out Psychosis. More information will be delivered through grade 9 block 1 classes. Contact Ms. Horvath (<u>ihorvath@sd43.bc.ca</u>) if you have any questions.

## News from the Art Department

Following their interviews at the National Portfolio Day this week, the following students from Ms. Stokes' 'Art Careers 12' class have received notification of early acceptance to various post-secondary art institutions. This means that these students have been invited to apply to art schools based on their interviews and the high quality of their portfolio work.

Terra Bae – School of the Art Institute, Chicago Yasaman Hoofar – Paris College of Art (Paris, France) Eileen Hwang – School of the Art Institute, Chicago I Jun Kim - University of the Arts (London, U.K.) - California College of Art Michael Kim – Alberta College of Art Claudia Lam – School of the Art Institute, Chicago Makena Mills – Emily Carr University of Art & Design Harrie Park – School of the Art Institute, Chicago Olivia Zeng - Emily Carr University of Art & Design Pheobe Zhong – School of the Art Institute, Chicago Emily Carr University of Art & Design

This list is the first notification of early acceptances so far. Students will be receiving more over the Christmas break and their names will be published in the next issue of the school newsletter.

## Law 12

Gleneagle's Law 12 classes spent a day of court-watching at Vancouver's Supreme Courts in November, followed by a question-answer session with Supreme Court Justice Sigurdson.

Students were treated to a variety of cases including 1st and 2nd degree murder, wrongful conviction, kidnapping and unlawful confinement, and several civil cases regarding MVA's and malpractice.



After a very intriguing session with Mr. Justice Sigurdson, he expressed his delight with the quality of their questions and with their level of debate. Special thanks to Mr. Turpin for accompanying the classes and driving the bus.

## **Multicultural Club**



The Multicultural Club sponsored a skating field trip on Wed. Nov. 25th. Two bus-loads of students went to Poirier Rec Centre to spend an hour skating and hanging with friends. We had expert skaters, beginner skaters and everything in between and no one hurt themselves! Teachers Martine Udell and Lori Gregory organized the event while David Shao and Shara He Lu took care of the paperwork. A fun time was had by all!



The COAST program is excited to announce the launch of our NEW website at <u>www.gleneaglecoast.com</u> The Gleneagle COAST Program is now accepting applications from Grade 9 students interested in the COAST 2017 program. Applications are available in Room 104 or on the NEW website. Applications are due by 3:00pm on Friday December 18th, 2015 in Room 104. For more information please contact Ms. Smith at <u>scsmith@sd43.bc.ca</u> or Ms. Bogen at <u>kbogen@sd43.bc.ca</u>

## LEARN A SKILL, GET PAID & GAIN HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS

Did you know students who have a job in the trades have a unique opportunity to not only get paid while learning a skill, but they can also get up to **16 credits towards graduation**? For each 120 hours of paid work (ex: *carpenter, cook, baker, electrician, hairstylist, mechanic, landscaper*) they will get 4 credits of Secondary School Apprenticeship (SSA). Once they have earned four classes, they can apply for a \$1,000 scholarship. **The scholarship does NOT need to go towards trades training**.

<u>Students</u>: If you are presently working in the trades, phone 604-312-7739 or email <u>bmclean@sd43.bc.ca</u> to speak with Mr. McLean and get yourself signed up for this great opportunity.

<u>Parents</u>: If you are in a position to potentially hire a young student apprentice and would like more information, please feel free to contact Mr. McLean (604-312-7739) to discuss all the benefits of this program for your company.

For more information on Youth Programs in the Trades, you can visit the Industry Training Authority (ITA): <u>http://www.itabc.ca/Page19.aspx</u>

Block 1	8:50 am – 9:50 am
Block 2	9:55 am – 10:55 am
LUNCH	10:55 am – 11:40 am
Block 3	11:45 am – 12:45 pm
Block 4	12:50 pm – 1:50 pm

## Friday, December 18, 2015 Bell Schedule



### **Important Dates to Remember**

December 16, 2015 December 18, 2015 December 21-January 1, 2016 January 4, 2016 January 21, 2016 January 22, 2016 January 25-28, 2016 January 29, 2016 February 1, 2016 February 4, 2016 Winter Music Concert Last day of Classes before Winter Break Winter Break Classes resume Talent Show 7:00 pm Cross Grade Exams-Double block 1/3 Cross Grade Exams-Double block 2/4 Provincial Exams School Based Pro D day – School not in session Semester #2 begins Semester #1 Final Report Cards

# Order your grad clothing online at <u>www.gleneagle.org</u>. Available only for Gleneagle Grade 12's



A reminder to parents who are dropping students off at school to use caution and respect signage in the drop off zone. There have been several close calls and near misses and safety is of primary importance. Thank you in advance for your consideration.





### Winter Weather Ahead!

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other weather conditions. All schools in the Coquitlam School District will remain OPEN, if at all possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.

Some of our schools are in very different climate zones from one another and there may be the need for select closings within the district. If there is a partial closure of schools within the district, these individual schools will be identified.

On occasion, full district or partial district closure is required.

Extreme weather can also impact student bussing. School bus schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Change and or cancellations of bus routes will be reported as we receive updated information from the school bussing companies. On some occasions, school bus runs will need to be cancelled, but the nearby schools will remain open.

Any district-wide or partial closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced via School District 43: website <u>www.sd43.bc.ca</u> and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC 690 radio.

For school bus route cancellation and changes, information will be updated on the School District website as it becomes available.

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes. Parents seeking information on transit bus schedules need to consult the Translink website: <a href="http://www.translink.ca/">http://www.translink.ca/</a>





## SPRING 2016 UNDER 10 & JUNIOR FIELD HOCKEY PROGRAM

The **TRI-CITY EAGLES FIELD HOCKEY CLUB** has offered a field hockey program to younger players since 2001. The Spring program runs for approximately 10 weeks from April through until the end of June. There is a **Junior** program for those with 1998 to 2005 birth dates and a **Mini** program for those with 2006 to 2011 birth dates (minis are 2006 to 2007 and mites are 2008 to 2011).

The **TRI-CITY EAGLES FIELD HOCKEY CLUB** is hosting a *no-cost* Introduction to Field Hockey drop-in session for new players at **CUNNINGS FIELD** (Pinetree Way & David) in Coquitlam on **Sunday, Jan 17th** from **12:00 to 2:00 PM for** <u>BOYS and GIRLS</u>. Players new to field hockey will have a chance to pick up a stick and try it out before committing to register. Session is weather permitting – please check the web site for any cancellation and/or dress appropriately. Sticks will be provided for this session. U-11 to U-18 teams compete in the Greater Vancouver Junior Field Hockey League and the program cost is \$135. The Club's Mini program is designed to introduce younger players to the sport and the rules and field size are modified. Season fee is \$110 per participant for the Mini program and space is limited. Our U10 Mini program is open to both boys and girls.

**Registration deadline for the Junior program is February 1, 2016 (and February 22, 2016 for Minis).** Late registration is an additional \$10 fee, if space is still available. More information on the Spring program is available through the Club's web site at **www.tcfieldhockey.com** or by contacting Brian Lewis at 604-619-4034.

Players must first register with Field Hockey BC to gain insurance coverage and a player membership number. U-13 to U-18 pay \$43, U11 & U12 players pay \$15 and U7 to U10 pay \$6. Without the player membership number, registration with our Club cannot be finalized.

We hope to see your daughter/son on the field hockey pitch this Spring!

#### www.tcfieldhockey.com