



Gleneagle Secondary NEWS

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Message from the Principal

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new staff members who have joined Gleneagle's staff in second semester: Mr. Daniel Beley, Ms. Anna Heffelfinger, Ms. Mariah Ma, Ms. Janna McCullough, Mr. Roberto Ramogida, Ms. Laura Stringer, and Ms. AJ Vittie. Congratulations to Ms. Janet Kim and her family on the birth of their first son, Kaison.

Congratulations to our senior girls' basketball team on their entry and participation in the provincial playoff pool. This is a first time achievement for girls' basketball at Gleneagle and, as a staff, we are very proud of the hard work and dedication the team demonstrated throughout the season and in their playoff series. Thank you to Mr. Scott and Ms. Anderson for their tireless dedication to our girls' basketball program. On behalf of the Gleneagle community we also want to recognize the parental support for our students and school. As this team demonstrates, the collective efforts by students, staff, and parents can produce powerful, positive, lifelong experiences.

Wednesday, March 9 we hosted our second semester parent-teacher interviews. We value the opportunity to maximize student learning success through this direct parent-teacher communication and it was great to see so many students and parents participating in this event. By the end of the evening our staff had facilitated over 600 individual parent / student conferences. Open lines of communication between home and the school in an effort to support student learning is a key ingredient to our success here at Gleneagle. The energy, enthusiasm and dedication exhibited by all members of our school community is evident in every corner of the building, at all hours of the day. Thank you to the students, to the staff, and to our parents for the individual and collective efforts to make Gleneagle Secondary such a successful and enjoyable learning community.

All grade 12 students are expected to participate in the GT exit interviews scheduled for Wednesday, April 13. The exit interview is the final component to the ministry mandated GT graduation requirement. Any student or family with questions about the various elements to the GT graduation requirement can access the information through our school website or by contacting Ms. Joanna Horvath directly.

We extend a warm wish for a relaxing, enjoyable spring break and we look forward to reconnecting and continuing our learning journey on Tuesday, March 29.

Ken Cober

Grad Transitions

Grades 9-11 – Daily Physical Activity: Students who have not yet completed their DPA entry for this year should do so ASAP. The next assessment of completion will be done on the next report card. Go to www.gleneagle.org click on “programs & services” and then “grad transitions” and follow the instructions on the site. Contact Ms. Horvath at jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca if you have any questions.

Grad Transitions: Students graduating in June 2016 must complete the GT assignments (original due date was February 11th) and the Exit Interview (April 13th, 2016). Information on how to prepare for your Exit Interview is on the main GT page (tab at the top left). Remember - GT is a requirement for graduation and worth 4 credits. Contact Ms. Horvath at jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca if you have any questions.

Planning 10 teachers are looking for people with experience interviewing and hiring to participate in our mock job interviews. This is the culminating activity for our job seeking unit. If you are available anytime throughout the day on April 6th, please email Joanna Horvath (jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca).

Gleneagle Parents - Every year our grade 12's complete Graduation Transitions as a part of their graduation program. The culminating activity is an Exit Interview which will be taking place on April 13th from 1:15 – 3:10. Students prepare a 10 minute presentation highlighting their transition from school to life after graduation.

We are looking for parents who would be interested in taking part in the Exit Interviews. Parents would be matched with a teacher and would have the chance to experience 4 or 5 presentations throughout the afternoon. The role of the teacher and the parent is to simply listen to the students' stories and provide some feedback. It is a wonderful experience to see how the students have grown and to hear about their goals and aspirations for the future.

If you would like more information on the Exit Interviews or if you'd like to volunteer on April 13th, please email Joanna Horvath (jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca). You don't have to have a child in grade 12 to get involved. We'd love to have you.

Math Challengers

Congratulations to our MATH CHALLENGERS team for positioning themselves among other teams and represented their school in the Provincial round of the Math 9 competition at UBC.

Spring Basketball

If there are any Grade 9, 10 and 11 boys interested in Spring Basketball, please see Mr. Bingley in Room 222. Basketball will be starting right after Spring Break.

Multicultural Club



The Multicultural Club went to Flight of the Dragon/Fly over Canada - a back-to-back double feature at Canada Place. Not only did we soar over China followed by Canada, but we walked down the cobblestone streets of Gastown and took pictures at the Olympic flame! Sponsored by Ms. Leblond and Mrs. Gregory, this field trip was a fun cultural experience.

COAST

The COAST program is excited to be hosting our second annual movie night Fundraiser with the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival in our MPR. It will be on Wednesday April 20th, 2016 from 7:00pm-10:00pm. The tickets are \$10 for students and \$14 for adults. You can buy tickets on our Gleneagle Home Page by simply clicking the VIMFF button. Hope you can make it.

Student News

Gleneagle Students Astound with their performance at CTA Pro-D Day.

Lyle Hendriks and Jamie Fajber brought 1000 teachers to their feet at the CTA Pro-D day on February 19. Their poem, "Lighthouses," was a deeply honest and insightful portrait of the power that teachers have in the lives of their young charges. Lyle and Jamie were able to turn words into art, rhythm into sound, and meaning from experience. They have received numerous accolades since and many in the audience have stated that the performance was the highlight of their day. Many educators were brought to tears. Their performance was nothing short of electrifying. Congratulations, Jamie and Lyle!

Attention All International Students whose tuition ends June 30th 2016

This is a reminder that your tuition fees are due April 15th 2016. Please speak with your parents to ensure you keep your space in our school district and pay on time.

Important Dates to Remember

March 14th – March 24, 2016

March 25, 2016

March 28, 2016

March 29, 2016

April 15, 2016

Spring Vacation

Good Friday – School closed

Easter Monday – School closed

School Re-opens after Spring Vacation

District Non-Instructional Day – School Closed



2015-2016 GLENEAGLE YEARBOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

\$55.00



2016 ONLINE Registration opens 6AM on . . .

- Friday **April 29** Grades 9 and 10 Skill Building
- Tuesday **May 3** Grade 10 High School Credit
- Wednesday **May 4** Grade 11 High School Credit:
- Friday **May 6** Grades 9 and 10 Remedial & EAL
- Wednesday **May 11** Grade 12 High School Credit

Grade 9 & 10 Skill Building: **Dates:** Tuesday July 12 to Friday July 29
Times: 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM **OR** 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM daily

High School Credit: **Dates:** Tuesday July 4 to Monday August 8
Times: 7:50 AM to 11:30 AM **OR** 12:00 PM to 3:40 PM daily

Online Fast Track: **Dates:** Tuesday July 4 to Monday August 8
Blended learning: two weekly face-to-face sessions and three optional days of online and/or face-to-face tutorial support.

Locations:

Charles Best Secondary (Remedial, Skill Building, High School Credit)
Gleneagle Secondary (High School Credit & Online Fast Track)

- ▲ Students must have an account with our online system **BEFORE** registering for courses.
- ▲ Please visit our website and create/update your account now.
- ▲ To create an account you will need your child's PEN number, which is available at your home school.

See website for full details!

www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca



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