



Gleneagle Secondary NEWS

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Principal's Message:

The end of semester one is coming quickly upon us. Please note all of the important dates and events for your son/daughter over the next few weeks. The biggest event coming up is the Provincial Exams that are being run from January 23rd to 26th. Please see the exam schedule for exact dates, times and room locations for the exams at the end of this newsletter. During the exam session, not all students will have classes or exams to attend. Grade 9 students in particular will have less to do this year during the exam week as there are no formal classes in session. On the Monday and Tuesday of exam week, some students will be asked by their teachers to come in and finish schoolwork to allow them to successfully complete their courses. Second semester will begin on Monday January 30th. Student timetables will be handed out before the end of semester one.

Currently, the BCTF is still involved in contract negotiations. At this point, teachers are only required to forward marks of grade 12 students to the school office. If at the end of the semester, you have not been informed of your child's progress in a course, please contact their teacher and counselor to find out their final mark. All students will receive a report card at the end of the semester but only grade 12 students will receive a report card with marks on it.

As well as wrapping up the semester, students and staff are still busy with numerous other activities. Our athletics department is extremely busy with our wrestling and basketball teams in the middle of their competitive season. Our art department is busy preparing for the Emerging Talent Festival at the Evergreen Cultural Centre. The Music department is busy preparing for the Powell River Vocal Summit Festival in March and the Drama department is preparing for Seussical, a musical that will be performed in the spring.

Gerald Shong, Principal

Altered Bell Schedule on January 19th and 20th

Students will have a double blocked schedule on **Thursday, January 19th and Friday, January 20th**. In the **morning of January 19th** they will have **period one** from **8:54 am until 11:35 am** and then **period three** in the **afternoon from 12:30 pm until 3:09 pm**. This is to allow for cross-grade or in house exams to take place.

On **Friday, January 20th** students will have **period two** from **8:54 am until 11:35 am** and then **period four** in the **afternoon from 12:30 pm until 3:09 pm**.

Second Semester Timetables and Course Changes

On Friday January 13th, grade 12 students will receive their timetables for semester two. Grade 12 students can see their counselors for course changes on Monday January 16th only. Course changes will be made for graduation reasons only. All other students will receive their semester two timetables on Tuesday January 17th. Grade 11 students can see their counselors on Wednesday January 18th in the morning before school and at lunch. Grade 9 and 10 students can see their counselors for course changes on Monday January 23rd and Tuesday January 24th. Course changes for students in grades 9-11 will only be made for courses students will fail or if a student has an incomplete timetable. All students in grades 9-11 need to be taking eight courses for the year.

Counseling Changes

Beginning in semester two, our counseling loads will change slightly. The breakdown of counselor assignments is as follows:

Mr. Areshenko A-He

Ms. Johal Hi-N

Ms. Martin O-Z

Grad Composite Photos

Grade 12 students who did not have grad photos taken in November currently will not be on our grad composite photo. Grads that missed getting photos in November should come to school on Tuesday January 24th for a drop in composite photo session with Artona at the school. Artona will be here from 9am-noon and from 1pm-3pm for composite photos. A list of students missing from the composite photo will be put in the counseling office early next week. Students still wishing to get a set of grad photos taken for personal orders need to contact Artona to make an appointment to have a full photo shoot. Artona can be contacted at: www.artonagroup.com or at 604 872 7272.

Recording Daily Physical Activity (DPA)

The Ministry of Education encourages all students to engage in a minimum of 150 minutes of physical activity per week. This activity can be done at school, home or in the community and be done in an individual or group/team setting. Students, in all grade levels, are reminded to record and reflect on their DPA for the past couple months. This can be easily completed online at: Gleneagle.org > **Programs & Services** > **Grad Transitions**>scroll down to “**GT Assignment(s)**” link and follow the DPA instructions. All the information and steps are clearly laid out on the website, but students will also receive a written copy of the instructions very soon. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. MacLean at school or by email at dmaclean@sd43.bc.ca.

Completing Graduation Transitions (GT)

Students in grade 12 must complete GT as part of the Ministry of Education’s graduation requirements. The course material is completed online and can access it at: Gleneagle.org > **Programs & Services** > **Grad Transitions**>scroll down to “**GT Assignment(s)**” link and follow the GT instructions. Students who are graduating in January 2012, must complete the assignments prior to leaving, ideally by/before January 20th. Those who are graduating in June 2012, must complete the assignments by April 15, 2012. But the earlier they are started the easier they will be to complete on time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. MacLean at school or by email at dmaclean@sd43.bc.ca .

Thank You and Good Bye

Two Gleneagle teachers will be leaving us at the end of semester one. Mr. Gibney will be heading to Dr. Charles Best Secondary as a counselor for semester two and Ms. Fowler will be moving to Ontario at the end of semester one. We would like to thank both Mr. Gibney and Ms. Fowler for their great work this semester and wish them all the best in the future.

Gleneagle Yearbooks

If your son or daughter did not purchase a yearbook in September with their school fees, they can still purchase one now for \$52 before January 30th. The price of the Yearbook will go up to \$55 after January 30th to accommodate extra orders. If you are interested in purchasing a book please make a cheque payable to Gleneagle Secondary and have your son or daughter bring the cheque to the office.

Emerging Talent Art Festival

School District #43 Local Art Teachers Association is proud to announce the Fifteenth Annual 'Emerging Talent' student art exhibition in collaboration with the Evergreen Art Gallery. The exhibition runs from January 13th to February 18th. The 'Emerging Talent XV' Exhibition' features the work of a special group of students. These are dedicated grade 12 art students from School District #43 who are preparing to continue their visual art studies at the post-secondary level. They are applying to and being accepted by a variety of art schools and institutions all over North America and it is their work which is the subject of this show.

As in preceding years, Gleneagle students form the largest group of participants and have the greatest number of their art works accepted by the gallery. Each student has submitted up to three pieces of individual artwork to an independent panel of jurors. The jurors are all retired Coquitlam art teachers and practicing artists who are familiar with the "emerging talents" of secondary school art students. This year, ten Gleneagle students have a total of twenty two art pieces as part of this year's art exhibition. Their work includes paintings, photography, graphics and digital media, mixed-media and sculpture.



Congratulations to the following students: Xena Dahye Choi, Gloria Han, Donna Kim, Caroline Kwon, Christine Ji Min Park, Anna Semyonova, Michaela Stebbe, Spencer Wang, Yilin Wang, and Heejo Yang.

The artists' reception and 'Emerging Talent' festival takes place on Sunday, January 22nd from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. The exhibition is at the Evergreen Gallery on Pinetree Way, Coquitlam, and runs from January 13th - February 18th 2012. Admission is free.

PE Department News

Beginning in semester two, the PE Department will no longer be assigning PE lockers and locks to share between students. Students can choose to either purchase a lock from the school for \$6 or bring a lock from home. Locks will be available at the main office. All locks will need to be removed from lockers at the end of the class to allow students in the next class to lock up their clothes. Locks remaining after class will be cut off to allow for use by the next class. The PE Department would like to remind all students that valuables should be left at home. Teachers do their best to reduce theft but students need to do their part to not become easy targets of theft.

Dates to Remember

January 13th	Grade 12 timetables handed out
January 16th	Grade 12 course changes
January 17th	Grades 9-11 timetables handed out
January 18th	Grade 11 course changes
January 23rd-24th	Grade 9 and 10 course changes
January 23rd-26th	Provincial Exam schedule
January 24th	Grad Composite Photos for grade 12 students
January 26th	Grade 8 Tour
January 30th	Semester 2 begins
February 16th	Parent Course Selection Information Night
February 17th	Provincial Pro D Day, classes not in session
February 24th	Course selection forms returned to counsellors

Provincial Exam Schedule

All our provincial exams are done electronically in our computer labs. Students are required to bring picture ID to their exams. Students receiving assistance with exams will be writing in the Learning Centre. **Students need to arrive for each of their exams at least 15 minutes earlier than the exam start time.**

Students who are not writing Provincial Exams during exam week do not have formal classes to attend. Some students will be called in to do "Incomplete" work by their teachers to allow the student to be successful in their course. All students can work on completing their Daily Physical Activity logs for the semester.

Monday Jan 23	Tuesday Jan 24	Wednesday Jan 25	Thursday Jan 26
9am-11am	9am-11am	9am-11am	9am-11am
Foundations of Math and Pre-Calculus 10	Foundations of Math and Pre-Calculus 10	English 10	English 12
Library Lab -students with last name Abraham to Gahan	Library Lab -students with last name Wu to Zhou	Library Lab - students with last name Afshar to Gillis	Library Lab - students with last name Abdullahi to Farol
Room 112 -students with last name Groenwald to Lawrence		Room 112 -students with last name Giordano to Lam	Room 112 -students with last name Fazal to Kim
	Apprenticeship and Workplace Math 10	Room 221 -students with last name Lamb to Noroozadeh	Room 221 -students with last name Kinloch to Morgan
	Library Lab -students with last name Abdolahi to Yochim	Room 222 -students with last name Nyamekey to Ubalde	Room 222 -students with last name Morton to Smith
		Room 224 -students with last name Vahidi to Zhou	Room 224 -students with last name Song to Zuccolo
1pm-3pm	1pm-3pm	1pm-3pm	1pm-3pm
Foundations of Math and Pre-Calculus 10		Socials Studies 11	Science 10
Library Lab -students with last name Le to Ross		Library Lab - students with last name Abdollahi to Halek	Library Lab - students with last name Abram to Fallah
Room 112 -students with last name Sadat to Wong		Room 112 -students with last name Hamze to Levy	Room 112 -students with last name Fritz to Kange
		Room 221 -students with last name Lin to Pringle	Room 221 -students with last name Kim to Marshall
		Room 222 -students with last name Ramirez to Tustin	Room 222 -students with last name Maskell to Quigley
		Room 224 -students with last name Van Der Meer to Zuccolo	Room 224 -students with last name Quinn to Ubalde
			Room 101 -students with last name Vaclavik to Zhu
			Communicatons 12
			Room 101 -students with last name Bardossy to Ryder