Message from the Principal

Along with the increase in our daily dose of daylight and sunshine in the past few weeks, we have also been treated to a real dose of positive school culture in a number of special/unique ways. These cultural events have created opportunities for us as a school to reinforce our beliefs, celebrate successes and build connections. The success of these activities is achieved through the dedication of staff and students. There is a significant amount of time, energy, patience and special considerations that have to be made by many people. In addition, there is a healthy culture of cooperation and flexibility demonstrated throughout the school to help support these successes. Listed below are only some of the cultural activities we have experienced; please keep in mind there are a number of other athletic and club activities in operation—creating more opportunities for students to be a part of the school and contribute to our school climate.

Earth week celebration
COAST / VIMFF movie night
Gleneagle Running Man
Talk to Me 3.0
Beauty and the Beast matinees and evening performances
Poultry on the Go! Exhibit for culinary students
“Tundra” visits the COAST program

In the next couple of weeks things we have to look forward to:

TALONS adventure trips
Student Council Carnival day
Auction for Coquitlam Search and Rescue
Valedictorian selection process
Year-end Music Concert
Dinner/Dance and After Grad

It is hard to believe that the students at Gleneagle are only five weeks away from their final exams and then another summer. This time frame will not only include their final lessons of the year, but final concerts, performances, athletic endeavours, and a variety of celebrations including our Athletic Banquet, Year-end Awards Night, and Commencement. While we wrap up this year and prepare to say goodbye to our 2016 graduating class, we are busy planning next year--creating our timetable, organizing staffing and preparing to welcome over 300 new students to our school community. With the April report cards, we included a course selection summary for each returning Gleneagle student. We have completed all the changes that were generated from this process and we are now at the point in the timetable construction were we finalize the courses we will be able to offer and the number of sections for each course.

While staff, parents and students move through these final weeks, we will continue to pursue our vision to assist every student to reach their potential and perform to the best of their abilities in every subject. No matter what grade your children are in, your continued support and encouragement is very important in these final few weeks of the school year.

As a reminder, our next PAC meeting is on Wednesday, May 18 at 7:00 pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome to join us. We have lively discussions and the parents make significant decisions that impact the support and direction for the school. The staff and students would like to thank the PAC Executive for their continued support for our school. We look forward to seeing you soon at one of our many events.

Ken Cober
Graduation Transitions Exit Interviews took place on Wednesday, April 13th for all grade 12’s. Reminder: Grad Transitions is worth 4 credits and is a requirement to graduate. Students should check the Counseling area windows to ensure their GT assignments and Exit Interview are complete. Contact Ms. Horvath if you have any questions. (jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca)

All grade 9 – 11 students: Daily Physical Activity entries will be assessed June 1st for the next report card. If you have not previously completed the DPA entries, please do so ASAP. Instructions can be found on www.gleneagle.org under “announcements”. Contact Ms. Horvath if you have any questions. (jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca)

ELL Adventure

What a great day we had on and off the water at Buntzen Lake on April 15th. For 24 of our ELL students, it was their first time in a canoe and they all did great! In the afternoon, we went for a hike “around” the lake. Special thanks to organizers Ms. Gregory and Ms. Leblond as well as COAST teachers Ms. Bogen and Ms. Smith for looking after all of the required equipment. Thanks to Mr. Salisbury, past “COASTIES” (great helpers) and to our four legged friends Kaia and Tetley for making this an event to remember.

Film Festival Results

The results for this year’s BC Student Film Festival were announced last week and once again, Gleneagle students have done exceedingly well, earning more awards than any other school in our district!

In the Senior Animation category, Crystal Lin took FIRST PLACE
https://filmfreeway.com/projects/794661?manage_public_profile=true
Another student (who wishes to remain anonymous) earned THIRD (missing out on 2nd place by a mere 2 points!).

In the Senior Promotional category, Brendan Chu and Jack Matchette took SECOND PLACE.
https://filmfreeway.com/projects/794662?manage_public_profile=true
In the Senior Narrative Comedy category, Sean Mawhinney and Kyle Comrie earned THIRD PLACE.
https://filmfreeway.com/projects/794659
Although not finishing in the medals, Parker Copeland and Matthew Marsolais earned a 5th place in the hotly contested Senior Narrative Drama category,
https://filmfreeway.com/projects/794686?manage_public_profile=true
Nicolas Katasenko earned a 5th place in Senior Animation category.
https://filmfreeway.com/projects/794706?manage_public_profile=true

Congratulations to all participants!

Summer School Registration Update

Please be aware that summer school registration for Grade 12 will now open on Wed. May 25th at 6am, (not May 18 as previously scheduled).

Visit http://www.sd43.bc.ca/summer/Pages/default.aspx for complete information.
Leadership 12

This past Friday May 6th, Leadership 12 students hosted the 3rd annual Talk to Me event focused on creating dialogue and support around Mental Health and Mood Disorders. The event was a huge success and left a lasting impact on those in attendance. It featured a wide range of speakers who shared their stories and strategies. The students involved in planning and executing this event are very proud of their efforts.

PAC News

Mark your calendars and come out to the final PAC Meeting of the year on May 18, 2016 at 7pm in the School Library.

Did you know?
- Every Gleneagle parent/guardian is a member of the PAC and can attend these monthly meetings (held just 6 times a year) to learn more about what’s going on at the school from the school administration, what is happening in our School District & news from the District PAC.
- This year the Gleneagle PAC received a Community Gaming Grant of over $25,000 and the decision on where to spend these funds is made at the PAC meetings based on requests from the school.
- In order to receive the Community Gaming Grant each year, the PAC must have an active group of parents, including an executive, and we need your help to continue and stay active.
- These funds benefit students in all parts of the school in some way, and each year we look at the needs of different clubs/programs to ensure all get opportunity for funding. For example, some of the items funded by the PAC Community Gaming Grant recently include funds towards After Grad expenses, funding to Athletics for various team jerseys and equipment, funds for various equipment to support musical theatre and other performances by our students, funds for Physics Club for competitions/supplies, Jumpstart field trips, Leadership t-shirts, Outdoor Club equipment, Multicultural and other school clubs, and the purchase of a baritone saxophone and transportation and entry fees for music festivals for the Music program.
- We’d love to see you at our next PAC meeting on May 18th, 2016 at 7pm. We’re a friendly group, parents just like you, so please come out to join us and learn a bit more about what is happening at Gleneagle, too!

DPAC

The following executive positions are open (all positions being elected are for a 1 year term – except President, which is for a 2 year term):

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Newsletter Editor
Parent Education Coordinator
Health & Safety Coordinator
PAC Communications Liaison
Member at Large (4 positions)

All positions are important but the executive cannot function without a Treasurer - please help us make sure this position has someone to take it on. Elections will take place at the DPAC Annual General Meeting being held on Wed. May 25 starting at 7:00pm in the Gallery Room at Winslow Centre.
Have you moved? Changed your phone number or emergency contacts? International students changing homestay? Please make sure you let the office know! Fill out a Demographics Change Form at Reception. It is particularly important at this time of year that we know of any forwarding addresses for Graduation Documents for this year’s Grade 12 graduation class.

**Important Dates to Remember**

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**The Gleneagle Performing Arts Production of Beauty and the Beast**

- **May 11-13, 18-20, 7:00 PM**
- **$15 Adults**
- **$8 Students & Seniors**
- **Children Under Five Free**

- Amy Clausen
- Scott Findley
- Lindsey Britten
- Sammi Hains
- Nick Van der Velden