

## Gleneagle Secondary

# NEWS

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### Principal's Message:

As the school year progresses, students have settled in to their studies and students are engaged in many of the various clubs and teams that we offer. Congratulations to all our fall sport athletes for their success and good sportsmanship. Thanks to all their coaches for their efforts in supporting our students. Our clubs and teacher sponsors have also been busy running several events and fundraisers. Student council is busy preparing for a Winter Dance on December 16<sup>th</sup>. We encourage all students to get involved in a club and connect with other students and their teacher sponsors.

Our first formal report card will go out on Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Both semester and linear courses will be reported on in this report card. Parents and students are reminded that with the late start to the school year, Semester One will end on Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup> and Provincial Exams will follow during the first week in February.

Grade Twelve students are reminded to keep on top of all requirements for graduation and post-secondary opportunities. Currently, grads are getting photos done for the school composite, yearbook and personal grad packages. Grads that have missed getting their photos done need to contact Artona and now book their own photo shoots if they want to be in the composite and yearbook.

Gerald Shong

## **Grad Transitions**

Anyone graduating in January must first complete their Grad Transitions. The assignments should be completed by mid/end of November and the Exit Interview should be done before Christmas break. Email Ms. Horvath (<u>jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca</u>) if you have any questions, or if you think you're done your assignments. To begin working on GT – go to gleneagle.org.  $\rightarrow$  programs & services  $\rightarrow$  grad transitions and follow the instructions.

**Grade 12s graduating in June:** it's never too early to start your GT assignments. Find detailed instructions at gleneagle.org. under "news & announcements".

## **Health and Career Education**

**On Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**, Grade 9's took part in **Take Our Kids to Work Day** as part of a national initiative. Students were given an assignment to complete and to hand to their Block 2 teachers by Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. Information and extra copies of the assignment are available on gleneagle.org under "news & announcements". Email Ms. Horvath (jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca) if you have any questions.

## **Daily Physical Education (DPA)**

**What is DPA?** All students in grade 9-12 are expected to get 150 minutes of physical activity per week. They must report out on their Daily Physical Activity using the school GT site. Find detailed instructions at gleneagle.org. under "news & announcements". Email Ms. Horvath (<u>jhorvath@sd43.bc.ca</u>) if you have any questions.

## Planning 10

There was a **MADD presentation for all grade 10's** on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> in block 4. The MADD School Assembly Program entitled **Aftermath** ensured that students were made aware of the dangers of impaired driving and it hopefully empowered and motivated them to prevent this violent crime. Please view the trailer for more

information: http://www.madd.ca/madd2/en/services/youth\_services\_school\_aftermath.html



#### Athletics

Our Sr. Girls Field Hockey team had a remarkable season this year. They placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Coquitlam District Championships, losing to Charles Best in overtime 1-0, 4<sup>th</sup> in Fraser Valleys, but only losing to Charles Best again in a shootout, 6<sup>th</sup> place at the 16 team prestigious Bridgman Cup at UVIC, and 5<sup>th</sup> place finish at the 2014 AAA BC Championships, winning in a total of 3 overtime games. Gleneagle was the highest placed team of all of the TriCity teams. With only 2 of our girls graduating this school year, next year looks to be even more promising! Congratulations to the girls on a wonderful year. Thank you to our coaches.

## **Art Department**

#### Media, Film and Visual Arts Post-Secondary Night

Once again, Gleneagle will be hosting the District 43 Media, Film and Visual Arts Post-Secondary Night. This year the event will be held on Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, starting at 7 pm. This has been a valuable event for students in the past, as representatives from 12 - 15 post-secondary Visual/Digital Art schools will be here to talk about the entrance requirements and program options available.

Institutions will run simultaneous presentations of about 30 minutes in length. There would then be a 10 minute question period and time to move to another session. Each presenter will present twice. The final 40 minutes of the night will allow for an open question and answer format for participants to drop in and speak to various program advisors.

The evening will be promoted to grade 11 and 12 students and their parents at all seven of the secondary schools in District #43 through art and media teachers as well as through each school's Career Facilitator and counsellors. Students and teachers would be provided a list of participating institutions and programs as well as the schedule and room numbers prior to the event to allow them to plan their attendance for the evening to take in the most personally relevant presentations.



#### Drawing & Painting 12

This month the class project challenged students to imagine an animal face wrapped so that the contours are evident, even though parts of the face are obscured. The wrappings are done with pencil and show strong contrast to suggest the effect of light and shadow. The eyes and mouth are coloured with pencil crayon and the rest is black marker.

Drawing done by Makenna Mills.

#### Art 11/12

This month, a representative from Emily Carr University of Art & Design, Catherine Medeiros, visited Ms. Stokes' Art 11/12 class and gave a presentation about the post-secondary 'Art Foundation' program. She included important information about the application process, the wide variety of art-related jobs available to students after they graduate, and how creativity and problem-solving are skills that are highly sought after in the job market.

Ms. Medeiros also spent a considerable amount of time at the end of the day looking at the 'Art Careers 12' student portfolios and giving specific advice on their art work. These students will be attending the Portfolio Day at Emily Carr University on December 6<sup>th</sup>, where a number of representatives from art schools and institutions from all over North America will be there to offer information about their programs and give portfolio reviews. The Art Careers 12 students will be applying to post-secondary art programs starting February 2015.



#### **Multicultural Club**

Did you know that Gleneagle has a Multicultural Club? Already in our second year, we've offered a host of activities. Students have enjoyed making dumplings for Chinese New Year's and carving pumpkins for Halloween. Hopefully, our week-long cultural festival of dance, food and art will become an annual tradition. Field trips have included bowling, Fly Over Canada and next week, 80 students will lace up and skate at the Poirier Rec Center.

Visit the club on Facebook (Gleneagle Multicultural Club 2014/15) and become a member. We are already 78 strong. Sponsor teachers: Lori Gregory and Jo-Anne Leblond

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

November 28	School Based Pro-D - Classes not in session
December 2	Term #1 Report Cards sent home
December 8	PAC Meeting
December 10	Fine Arts Post-Secondary Night at 7pm
December 16	Winter Dance at 6pm in the Gym
December 17	Winter Concert at 7pm in the Multipurpose Room
December 19	Last day of classes before Winter Break



Now is the time to purchase your 2014-2015 Yearbook for \$55.00. Yearbook prices will increase to \$60.00 after January 2015. Please pay and order one in the office before it is too late.

