Glen Brae School Newsletter



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From the Desk Of Mrs. Constable



While it was not the coldest or snowiest February on record, we are all looking forward to warmer temperatures. We are all thrilled to welcome March as it means March Break (13th—17th) and most importantly spring is just around the corner.

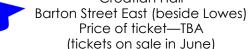
Don't let the warmer temperatures fool your sons and daughters into thinking the school year is almost over. We still have four months of learning and work to complete. Be sure to "check-in" with your child to see how they are doing at school. If they are concerned or unsure, give their teacher a call to discuss progress or set up a meeting to set goals for improvement.

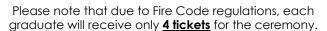
Glen Brae Spirit Wear Is here! Included in this newsletter is the order form for Glen Brae Spirit Wear. Please note that return order forms are due to the Learning Skills teacher by: WEDNESDAY March 22nd, 2017

GRADE 8 GRADUATION Thursday, June 22, 2017

4:30 pm - Ceremony at Glendale S.S.

7-10 pm - Dinner & Dance for Graduates Croatian Hall





Congratulations to the Principal Award Winners for the month of February! Way to go!

Which House Is In The Lead

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HWDSB CONCUSSION DIRECTIVE

While we might have laughed when Lucy Van Pelt pulled the football away when Charlie Brown went to kick the football, head injuries are really no laughing matter. Perhaps concussion awareness has increased because of injuries sustained by high profile athletes, but anyone - professional or amateur, athlete or spectator can sustain a concussion on or off the playing field.

In February 2015 a new protocol was put in place to help identify and seek early treatment for concussions. Whenever a student or staff member hits their hear/neck or is hit in the head/neck the following protocol MUST be followed:

- Referral to the office for initial assessment (observation and auestions to determine if there are any possible symptoms of a concussion)
- If no/one symptom exists, parents are informed and a form is sent home with the student for parents to sign the next morning confirming that no symptoms of a concussion emerged. The student is also provided with a sticker informing all staff to carefully supervise for symptoms of a possible concussion for the rest of the school day.
- If two or more symptoms are observed, parent is called and student must be examined by a doctor or nurse practitioner before they are permitted to return to school (forms for medical practitioner are provided).
- No concussion diagnosed student may return to school (doctor may place restrictions on activity)
- Concussion diagnosed return to school/learning plan is developed with the medical practitioner. This plan will be shared with and carefully followed by school staff.

All school staff have received basic training on how to identify potential symptoms of a concussion.

For additional information please visit the board website http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/blog/hwdsb-launchesconcussion-directive/

CONCUSSION DIAGNOSED AS A RESULT OF INJURY OUTSIDE SCHOOL? PLEASE INFORM THE SCHOOL OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.

The Let's Talk Science Challenge is taking place on May 16th with 4 teams for Glen Brae attendina! Good Luck Glen Brae!







HELP FOR PARENTS WITH CHILDREN IN FRENCH IMMERSION

This site supports parents who have children in a "French Immersion" (FI) program and wish to assist them with homework in French. It is also a resource for FI students who require an accessible user friendly reference tool to help with homework. Learners and educators in other FSL programs will also find it helpful.

This website will enrich the FSL learning experience and will engage parents in their child's journey towards "la francophonie".

CALLING A TEACHER?

If you are calling a teacher at Glen Brae, please be aware that teachers do not have phones in their classroom. Teachers will make every effort to return your call within 24 hours.

Glen Brae cares about animals!

Glen Brae is reaching out to help those animals in need of a loving home. To support the Hamilton SPCA, Glen Brae will be baking and selling cupcakes from Tuesday March 7th to Friday March 10th. They will be sold for \$1.00. If students don't care for cupcakes, they can make a 0.50 cent donation and receive a paper cupcake to show their support. Let's give animals in need our love!

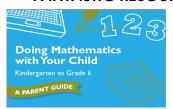


Glen Brae Celebrated Family Literacy Day

Mrs. Zavarella would like to thank everyone for helping to make Literacy Day a great success. She is proud to say that 121 students passed through the Learning Resource Room throughout the day and many others remained in their classes engaging in literacy activities. It was incredible to see students taking time to quietly read, comfortable on bean bag chairs and carpets, enjoying a cup of hot chocolate.



FANTASTIC RESOURCES FOR PARENTS





www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentguidenum2012.pdf www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideLit2012.pdf

TIPS TO HELP YOUR SON WITH READING

Research demonstrates that boys as a group are lagging in reading and writing skills. If your son is having difficulty, he may need different approaches to encourage interest in reading. Here are 10 simple tips you can use at home to improve your son's literacy skills.

It takes time to build confidence and skill. It's not how hard the book is that counts, it's the amount of reading that matters. Let your son choose the books he wants to read, even if it's below his reading level. This will help him feel better about his reading skills and give him confidence to try more challenging material.

Let him make his own choices. If it's his choice, then he'll want to read it. Don't worry if he chooses the same types of books to read over and over or if they have edgy humour. Remind yourself that he's actually reading and enjoying it.

Everybody enjoys a good story, so read to him. If your son finds a story interesting but the book too hard, share the reading. This will also make the book more fun to read.

Be a role model. Make sure your son sees you reading and writing. If he sees you doing it, he'll respect you and the activity more.

Challenge his mind in other ways. Reading and writing are only a couple of ways to challenge your son's mind. Spend time with him and share some brain teasing games like chess, crossword puzzles, board games – even video games. An active mind is better prepared for reading.

Give his teacher a call. Next to you, his teacher knows him best. Talk to your son's teacher for updates on his reading and writing. Discuss ways that you can help encourage your boy's literacy skills.

Have him read all sorts of material. There's much more to read that just books. Try reading the instructions to a model airplane or new video game. It's all reading and it's all good practice.

Tap into your son's hobbies and interests. Turn his interest in sports and music into a reason for reading. Give him books and magazines about things that he already finds fun and interesting and he'll soon discover that reading can be interesting too.

Use the Net. Just because it's on a computer screen doesn't mean it's not reading. The Internet is loaded with great sites and games that are perfect for your son. Let his interests be his guide to the sites he'll want to read. Exchanging emails with friends and family is also a great way to practise writing. Just be sure he knows all about Internet safety and that the parental controls are on.

Make his day with a positive word. A pat on the back, school work on the fridge, a smile and the words "good going"... these are gestures that will motivate your son to love reading and writing. So whenever your son finishes a reading or writing assignment, has read a new book or written a story, show genuine interest in it and tell him you're proud.

www.hwdsb.on.ca/glenbrae/

STUDENT SCHOOL CLOTHING $\frac{2016}{2017}$



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Prom Project Hamilton

Prom Project Hamilton is a two day, two site location event that was created by the HWDSB Foundation to assist students in need with formal wear for their proms, graduations, formals and other special events so they can attend their events feeling stylish, confident and proud. Prom Project Hamilton does not require any proof of financial need, and promotes a positive and inclusive environment, created to support those students with formal needs who may choose not to attend their special event because of financial challenges. All items are new or gently used from the private and business communities and are free of charge to all clients. All clients are treated with respect, dignity and are assisted by volunteers who are dedicated to supporting students and making the experience an impactful journey towards their upcoming milestone event. If you are a student who could use this program, please join us...

Saturday, April 29, 2017 9:30 a.m. - 2:00p.m.

Sir Allan MacNab Secondary School (145 Magnolia Drive, Hamilton) AND

Saturday, May 6, 2017 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

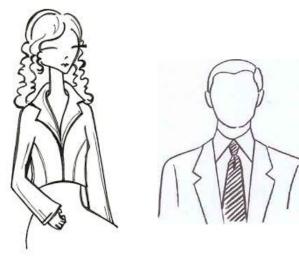
Delta Secondary School (1284 Main Street East, Hamilton)

To donate, go to <u>www.promprojecthamilton.ca</u> for a list of participting drop-off points.

What's available to visiting students?

- Formal wear, gowns, dresses, skirts/tops, suits, dress shirts, vests, dress pants, ties, etc.
- Accessories, shoes, jewelry, shawls, purses, hygiene products
- Volunteers on site to apply make-up, as well as demonstrated make up tips and fun up-dos
- Seamstresses on site to address minor fitting issues.

For more information, please contact the HWDSB Foundation at: foundation@hwdsb.on.ca



Prom Project Recruitment Information

1. About the HWDSB Foundation

The Foundation is the arms-length charity that serves students of the HWDSB by removing barriers to learning so all students can reach their full academic potential. More information about our activities and impact can be found at www.hwdsbfoundation.ca.

2. Inception of Prom Project Hamilton

Launched in 2014 to support the mission statement of removing barriers, the project recruits new and gently used formal wear that students can access free of charge to attend their proms, grads, formals or any event feeling confident stylish and proud.

3. Launch and the Fashion Show

- Officially launched on February 1_{st} the project is in phase one information to the community in order to recruit items required by students.
- Phase two commences with the Prom Project Fashion show in March.
- Phase three starts in April with communications to the student body and student families.

4. What does event day look like?

Students will arrive to find a very organized, colour coded and sized array of dresses, suits, accessories and personal hygiene items. There are minimum 50 volunteers dedicated to each site who act as personal shoppers to each student to ensure they feel welcome and comfortable in their search. Seamstresses are on site to do minor alterations and students can access free styling services and demonstrations to learn about hair, makeup and nail applications. Overall the atmosphere is friendly, confidential and warm.

5. What are the challenges?

- Clothing sizes larger sized dresses and smaller sized suits. Donations of shoes and accessories are needed to complete the shopping experience.
- Student communications getting the information into the hands of the students and parent community is often difficult and we rely on both the schools and the external community organizations to assist our effort.

6. How can you get involved?

- Do a drive at school or work with your teams and staff
- Branch out to parents, aunts, uncles, neighbours and friendship circles
- Promote the opportunity through emails, newsletters, postings, social media
- Promote to your online community through social postings

What is offered to Students?

ITEMS IN NEED:

Gowns, Dresses, Skirts, tops, suits, dress shirts, vests, dress pants, accessories, shawls, jewelry, purses, hair styling items, ties, shoes, belts, Make up and personal products, hair, makeup and nail stylists to do demos and provide styling tips, seamstresses on site for alterations, dry cleaning vouchers to ensure the donations are clean and ready to wear, general donors to help defray the cots of running this incredible project.

HOW YOU CAN ASSIST?

Look in your closet, do a drive at school, work, through family and friendships or the social media community. Donations of gently used items can be taken to one of our drop locations - www.promprojecthamilton.ca

Volunteer your time, talent and equipment on the day of the event.

Donate funds or dry cleaning vouchers specifically purchased for formal dresses and suits

Do a coin or donation drive at your school or work. For a little as a \$20.00 donation you can help with program costs and get a tax receipt!

Sponsors

Tandia Credit Union, Johnson Insurance, Hamilton Spectator, approximately 20 businesses as drop off-points and many donors over the course of the season. Vogue Models & Talent and CF Lime Ridge sponsor the fashion show.

Key Dates

- February 1st Project Launch
- March 25th from 12:00 pm to 12:45 pm Prom Project Fashion Show at CF Lime Ridge
- April 29th from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm Prom Project Hamilton at Sir Allan MacNab High School
- May 6th from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm Prom Project Hamilton at Delta Secondary School

Contact Information

- Julie Densham

Event Coordinator and Foundation Development Officer

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- Website: www.promprojecthamilton.ca or www.hwdsbfoundation.ca
- Facebook / Twitter search Prom Project Hamilton or HWDSB Foundation



MARCH 2017



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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