

# The *Glenwood Gazette*

*Glenwood School*

*150 Lower Horning Road*

*March 2015*

## ***PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE***

As we see the plus side of the thermometer for the first time in months, we say good bye to February and welcome March. Despite the cold temperatures, February was an exciting month at Glenwood. We celebrated Family Day weekend with a wonderful Family Fun Night and appreciated the hard work of our School Council and staff. Gator Gus, our new mascot, made his first appearance and brought many smiles and laughs to all. Our regular friends visited us this month at Glenwood such as Mary Moore the Librarian, Tony the Guitar Guy, the SNAP team, Jan and Jesse the dog, and so many more! We also had many community partners come through our doors to work with our school team to help many of our students learn and develop their skills. We are very fortunate to have strong community partnerships and HWDSB System support teams that are committed to our student's learning. On the evening of Thursday, March 26, there will be a presentation on **'Understanding Your Student's IEP'** at the HWDSB Education Centre. This presentation will be led by Shelley Woon, the Superintendent of Leadership and Learning and Glenwood Special Day School.

We will be sending out the second term IEPs shortly. Please review your student's IEP and share your thoughts through either writing notes on the copy and returning the document to school or contacting your student's classroom teacher to discuss further. The IEP is developed in collaboration to best address the strengths and needs of your child through goal-oriented programming. If you have no concerns with the IEP, please sign and return ASAP.

This month I also appreciated the opportunity to meet many parents and caregivers as we held our Annual IPRC meetings. It was exciting to hear about the gains our students have made and their next steps in

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learning. It was valuable for me learn about community connections and to ensure that plans are in process for those approaching their graduation from Glenwood. If you were unable to make the IPRC meeting, we always encourage you to set-up a meeting with your classroom teacher and myself to touch base. As we look towards our students graduating and transitioning into the community, I encourage you to put the evening of April 23, 2015 into your calendars and plan on attending The Hamilton Community Transition Network presentation on **'Pathways to Transition.'** We will be sending more information about this important night ASAP.

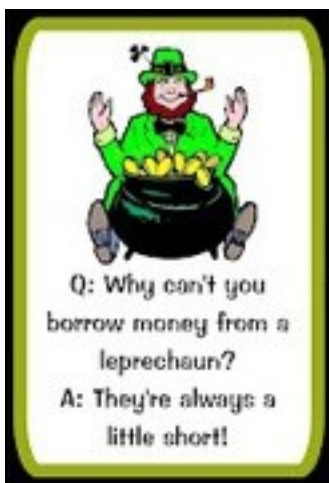
We look forward to another wonderful and warmer month at Glenwood. Thank you for taking the time to read the Glenwood Newsletter and we welcome your involvement in the many opportunities listed in our school calendar. Together, we can continue to move Glenwood Special Day school forward as a special place where **'all students can reach their full potential'**.

Have a wonderful March!

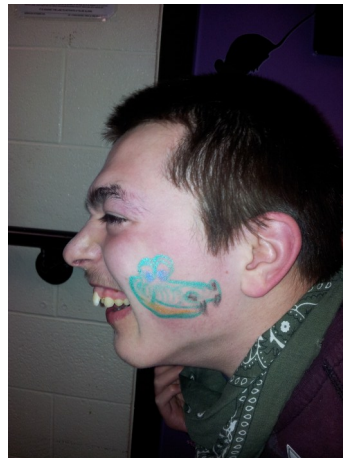
Sincerely,

Mr. Graves

Vice-Principal  
Glenwood Special Day School  
**'A special place to learn'**



FAMILY FUN NIGHT SURE WAS  
FUN!! THANKS FOR COMING AND  
HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO LITTLE RAY'S,  
CHECKERS FUN FACTORY AND  
FERGUSON YOUNG  
FT LIAM MCGLASHON



FOR HELPING TO MAKE OUR NIGHT AWESOME!



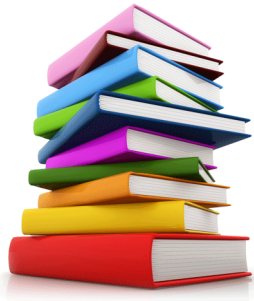
# Life Skills with Marc Johnson

Our Life Skills Program is in full effect. We have 3 students volunteering at the SPCA and many more participating in a variety of other programs (shopping program, recycling, mail collection, laundry and paper towel delivery).

Not only do our students enjoy participating in their life skills program, but our community enjoys interacting with everyone while completing their tasks. A win - win for everyone!

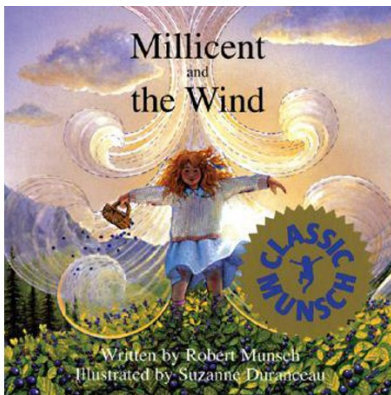
***Congratulations to Syd and Amber for being the Employees of the Month for February.***





# Latest Library Lookups

March is known as the windy month. Here's hoping for some warmer air to be blown our way soon! In the meantime, here are some great books about the wind.



## Millicent & the Wind

By Robert Munsch



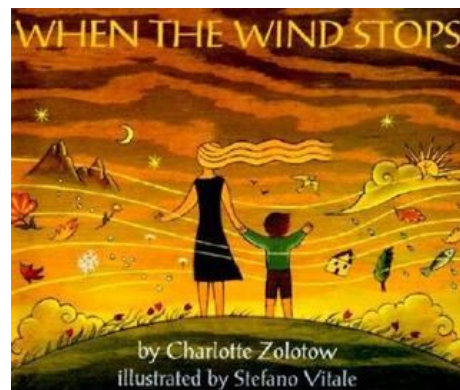
## Who Likes the Wind?

By Etta Kaner



## The Wind Blew

By Pat Hutchins



## When the Wind Stops

By Charlotte Zolotow



# March



<b>2</b> Day 4 - Paint to Music	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>9</b> Day 4 - Movie Day	<b>10</b> - Mary Moore - Jesse the Dog	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>16</b> March Break	<b>17</b> March Break <i>St Patricks Day!</i>	<b>18</b> March Break	<b>19</b> March Break	<b>20</b> March Break
<b>23</b> Day 4 - Spring Bingo	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>30</b> Day 4 - Easter Hunt	<b>31</b>			