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A Message from Our Principals...

Greetings,

As we prepare for the final month of the school year, the end of May and June promise to be extremely busy at the school. There are many activities and year-end trips planned for the school that will focus on celebrating and recognizing achievements from throughout the year. However, it is important to note that there is still a lot of work left to be done here at school in order for students to have a successful conclusion to their academic year.

EQAO testing for Grade 3 and 6 students will take place from May 24th - June 12th. This is a provincial assessment that tests Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

Our welcome to Kindergarten event will be held on **May 31st @ 4:30pm**. This will give our newest Gryphons a chance to visit our school and get some information that will prepare them for beginning school in September. There will also be a chance to stay for our Open House and Book Fair.

Open House and Book Fair - Wednesday May 31, 5:30- 7pm

For Open House, classrooms will be open for parents to see student work. Please come out and join the staff in celebrating the many accomplishments and successes that students have made throughout the school year. Our Open House is meant to be an informal celebration, and not the time for academic interviews/conferences. If you do have specific issues to discuss with your child's teacher, please contact the teacher to arrange a time to do so. The Book Fair will also be open during Open House for families to look through and purchase items to support our library.

Continue to be respectful, responsible, and kind, and let's all have an excellent last month of the school year.
Go Gryphons Go!

Mr. Yull & Mr. Reid



City Champions!
Junior Boys Basketball
A GREAT year for
Athletics @ Greenleaf!

Dates to Remember...

End of May—June EQAO Grades 3 & 6

May 30-June 1—Book Fair

May 31—Kindergarten Orientation 4:30 pm

Open House 5:30-7pm

June 1- Kindergartens to Ancaster Sports

June 2—PA Day

June 5—"Knights in the Classroom" (3/4s)

Fire Truck Visit & THEMUSEUM for 4/5

June 6 — Track Meet 3-8

June 14—Twin Valley Zoo (Gr1-2/3)

Tuesdays—Pizza

Thursdays—Popcorn \$2.50

Fridays—Fro Yo \$4

June 22—Grade 8 Graduation

June 23—THEMUSEUM Gr5

June 28th—Last Day of School

Month of May —Jump Rope for Heart

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Kindergarten Information Night

Kindergarten Information Night will be held on May 31st from 4:30-5:00 before AAG Open House. If you have a student who is junior kindergarten age (born 2019) or a senior kindergarten student (born in 2018) who is new to our school, please join us for a short information session with a mini school tour. More information will be emailed soon to families who have registered .

Looking forward to seeing you!
The Kindergarten Team



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Please remember if you are choosing to make or collect any donations for Jump Rope For Heart to do so by May 31. Donations by May 31 will be considered when tallying prize amounts for your child. You can find information about how to register for our school on the school website, and you can visit [Home | Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada \(jumpropeforheart.ca\)](http://Home | Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada (jumpropeforheart.ca)).



Art Club

In the fall, two students in Grade 5, Saisha and Chloe, started talking about how much they loved art and being creative. Chloe suggested starting an Art Club for the grades 1s and 2s and Saisha agreed. Other classmates became interested in the idea of an Art Club and the Club began. Ms. Kelly volunteered to be the teacher who would supervise and help out. Our first meeting was crowded but fun! We decided to split the grade 1s and 2s into different sessions, one per week on day 4s.

Our most memorable project was the paper butterflies. There were cool little wings shaped like Ruffles chips with colourful pipe cleaners holding it together. A close second was the holiday cards. We liked them because they were for a special occasion like Valentine's Day. Each person got to pick their own occasion!

We did free drawing to embrace the children's creativity and to let their imaginations be unrestrained, but in a proper manner. The kids were kind and worked well together! We believe that our ART CLUB was one of the reasons Greenleaf had an awesome, art-filled year! Thanks to all the people who made Art Club possible.



Written by: Jackson, Mila, Saisha, Chloe & Morgan Gr5

Battery Blitz School Winner!

Congratulations Mrs. Lenarduzzi & Mrs. McKenzie's 3A class!

We are thrilled to recognize class 3A as our in school Battery Blitz winner! This class galvanized the greater community to collect batteries for the **Call to Recycle** campaign. Their efforts will be celebrated with a pizza party in June.



We hope that all Greenleaf students took this opportunity to learn "how to recycle batteries, which helps reduce waste and litter, keeping our air, land and water clean for future generations."

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR WEBSITE!

Stay up to date! All school communications including newsletters will be blasted through our site.

Sports Update

Sports here at Allan A. Greenleaf have been energized and successful. After the senior basketball season ended, it was time for the juniors. The junior boys had an amazing end to their season winning the City Championship against Riddell. We are all very proud. Congratulations to the junior girls as well. The juniors worked hard and had great seasons. Thank you to Ms. Little for coaching the boys to victory, and to Mrs. Ashworth and Ms. Tirimacco for coaching the girls.

Now track season is coming up. Thank you to Ms. Marion for organizing it. Tryouts have started and are ongoing. The track meet is on Tuesday, June 6th. Best of luck to all who are participating. Greenleaf has had a great sports year... we hope to end it with a bang at Track and Field!

~ Daniel M



Library Book Collection

We are so happy to have our Greenleaf library up and running again this year—having the kids browse through our collections to choose and read books! In the next few weeks we will be collecting the books and organizing our shelves. Please return any books that you may have at home by June 16th. Thank you!

School Council Pizza Update

School Council would like to thank the Greenleaf community for all their support in our pizza days this year! With the funds raised we were able to subsidize year end trips and new DPA equipment for all the classrooms.

A huge THANK YOU to our volunteers, Tracey Hood, Stephanie Madden, Joanne Beausoleil and Yelena Koshenkov. Without them Pizza days would not have been possible. Also, thanks to all the Grade 7 and 8 helpers who delivered and handed out the pizza in the classrooms each week.

Food Drive

We will be collecting non-perishable food items next week, (beginning May 29) through June 1 for our local Food Bank. Please consider bringing in a nonperishable food item to Open House to help feed those in need in our community.

