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# GLEN BRAE NEWSLETTER

## December 2018



### From the Desk of Mrs. Constable

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our Glen Brae community a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It's so hard to believe that a new year will be here soon.

November was an extremely busy month with a focus on Anti Bullying Awareness and Prevention. The staff had our students involved in many wonderful activities throughout the month that focused on kindness, caring and sticking up for one another. We hope our students will continue these acts of kindness and caring each and every day.

There are many fun and exciting things going on this month. Please be sure to scroll down to the December calendar!

Have a safe and wonderful holiday.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. S. Constable

### Twitter

Follow **Glen Brae Middle School** on Twitter to get updates and to see the exciting things that are happening here.



### WE Are Rafikis

In Swahili, Rafiki = Friend      Women's Empowerment + Rafikis = Change

The Social Justice Club is continuing to sell Rafiki bracelets until December 5. All bracelets are \$10.00 each, with the exception of the new Lily Singh Girl Love 3.0, which is \$18 and includes 2 bracelets for the intention of sharing. There are a variety of colors to choose from including the new Holiday Line. These bracelets make a wonderful Christmas gift that gives in so many ways.

For Kenyan artisans, women's empowerment means taking charge of their future. Using traditional art forms, each handcrafted Rafiki bracelet empowers female artisans by enabling



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them to earn a fair wage for their work. For every item you sell, half of the proceeds will go to your school's chosen WE Villages country and pillar of choice! By fundraising with WE Are Rafikis, you are helping women in developing communities earn money to invest in their futures.

Not only do these bracelets help to support Kenyan women, but 50% of the proceeds will go to support our WE Community in Ecuador. The final order will be placed on December 6<sup>th</sup> to receive delivery before the Christmas holidays.

### Bullying Awareness & Prevention Week

During the week of November 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, the staff and students at Glen Brae participated in a variety of activities to support anti-bullying initiatives. We are so proud of our students for putting in such an amazing effort to wear pink, engaging in conversations about bullying, choosing kindness and standing up against all forms of bullying.

Each student and staff signed an anti-bullying commitment that can be seen displayed on lockers throughout the school. Each morning the entire school recites an anti-bullying pledge. It is our goal to provide a safe, caring and engaging school for each and every student.

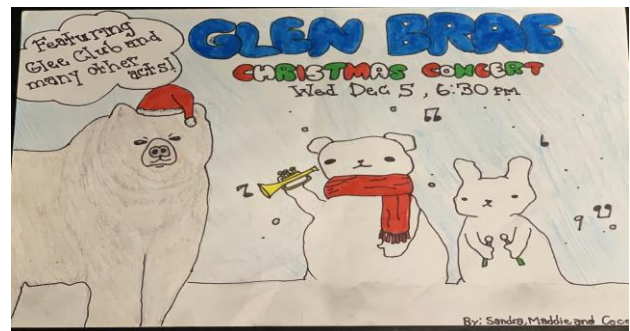


### Christmas Concert: December 5

Please join us for a very special holiday celebration. Glen Brae is pleased to be presenting a Christmas Concert at 6:30pm on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy the musical talents of the junior band, senior band and the Glee Club. Each year this event is presented to a full house. Come expecting an enjoyable holiday celebration. Tickets are only \$2.00

During the concert, the parent council will be selling hot chocolate, hot apple cider and Christmas cookies for \$1 each. All proceeds will go towards supporting our Glen Brae Nutrition Program.

Also available for purchase will Banana bread will be banana bread loaves for \$5.00 per loaf, and bags of Bits n Bites snack mix for \$3.00. All proceeds will go towards the Glen Brae Nutrition program and student events here at Glen Brae. Your support is greatly appreciated. The Social Justice Club will be taking Rafiki pre-orders. These unique bracelets make a wonderful holiday gift. Proceeds from the sales will be donated to the WE Organization to support our Community in Ecuador.



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## Electives Day

On Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup> Staff and Students will be participating in a day of holiday fun. Students have had the opportunity to choose from a variety of activities such as salsa dancing, gym sports, and quilling, baking, movie & hot chocolate, Lino cutting, broadcasting, board games, card and ornament making and many more. It is going to be a wonderful day!



## Fundraising

We wish to thank each and every family for your efforts to support the various fundraising initiatives here at Glen Brae. Without your support we would not be able to provide some of the programming that we do. The various initiatives, such as Fresh from the Farm, Spirit Wear, Big Box of Cards, popcorn, cookie and freezie sales, chocolate sales, our holiday concert and more, all provide opportunities to raise funds that support our students.

## Does your child take the school Bus?

Sign up for School Bus Delay information at [hamiltonschoolbus.ca](http://hamiltonschoolbus.ca)



## No Cell Phones during the Instructional Day!

At Glen Brae School students are not allowed to have their cell phones with them during instructional time. They are asked to leave them in their lockers or with their classroom teachers. Please do not text or call your child's cell phone during instruction. If you have to get a hold of them please call the school at 905 560 6732

Your child is welcome to have their cell phone during the lunch hour from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



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## Allergy Alert

Please remember that we have several students and staff with life threatening allergies to nuts and certain scents and perfumes. Please refrain from sending food items that may contain nuts and please ensure your child is not wearing strong perfumes/sprays or deodorants.

Thank you so much for your support



## School Cash on Line

1. Register
  - a) If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page – <https://hwdsb.schoolcashionline.com> and select the “Get Started today” option.
  - b) Complete each of the three registration steps
2. Confirmation Email
  - a) A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account.
  - b) The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.
3. Find Student – This step will connect your children to your account
  - a) Verify the School Board Name
  - b) Select the School Name
  - c) Enter your child’s first name, last name and date of birth
  - d) Select “Continue”
  - e) On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select “Continue”
  - f) Your child has been added to your account.
4. View items or Add another student
  - a) If you have more children, select “Add another Student” and repeat the steps above.



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## DECEMBER 2018 CALENDAR

<b>Monday Dec. 3</b>	<b>Tuesday Dec. 4</b>	<b>Wednesday Dec 5</b>  Christmas Concert 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium - \$2.00	<b>Thursday Dec. 6</b>  Electives Day  Big Box of Birthdays arrive today	<b>Friday Dec. 7</b>  P.A day No school for students
<b>Monday Dec. 10</b>  Door decorating	<b>Tuesday Dec.11</b>  Door decorating	<b>Wednesday Dec. 12</b>  Door decorating	<b>Thursday Dec.13</b>  Door decorating	<b>Friday Dec. 14</b>  Door decorating
<b>Monday Dec. 17</b>  Door Decorating contest gets judged today	<b>Tuesday Dec. 18</b>  Ugly Christmas Sweater Day  	<b>Wednesday Dec. 19</b>  Pajama Day  	<b>Thursday Dec. 20</b>  Principal's Awards Assembly and "Win it" awards.	<b>Friday Dec. 21</b> Staff vs student volleyball games – a.m. Christmas Dance – p.m. \$5.00 – You can pay on line!
<b>Monday Dec. 24</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Tuesday Dec. 25</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Wednesday Dec. 26</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Thursday Dec. 27</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Friday Dec. 28</b>  Christmas Holidays
<b>Monday Dec. 31</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Tuesday Jan. 1</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Wednesday Jan. 2</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Thursday Jan.3</b>  Christmas Holidays	<b>Friday Jan. 4<sup>th</sup></b>  Christmas Holidays
<b>Monday Jan. 7</b>  Welcome Back to School				

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