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GLEN BRAE NEWSLETTER

March 2019



From the Desk of Mrs. Constable

I can't believe the March Break is here! Hopefully we can say good-bye to the cold weather and say hello to warmer days ahead. I wish you all a very happy break.

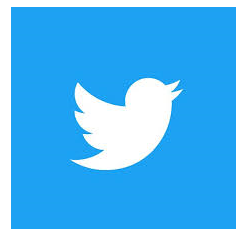
February was quite a weather adventure! It was extremely unfortunate to have to cancel our electives day. The staff are working on a re-scheduled date for May 1st. We will let you know as soon as that date has been confirmed. The ski trip will be taking place on Thursday March 6th.

I hope you had a chance to review your child's first report card with them. On our March 1st Professional Activity Day, we will examine our report card data, identify those students who are not achieving at provincial standard and identify high yield strategies we can put into place to help them succeed.

Thanks so much
 Mrs. S. Constable

Twitter

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



Cell Phones

At Glen Brae, students are not permitted to use their cell phones during instructional time unless a teacher has given them permission to do so. Cell phones must be kept in student lockers. All students should have a lock for their locker. There have been a number of issues lately with inappropriate use of cell phones. Please do not call or text your child during instructional day. If you need to reach your child please call the school at 905 560 6732.



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If a student is consistently using their cell phone without adult permission, it may be confiscated until the end of the school day.

We thank you for your support in this matter.

Late/Absent Protocol for HWDSB

In HWDS, if a student is more than 30 minutes late in the morning or after lunch, the late will be considered an “absence” unless the parent has informed the school of the reason for the late arrival (medical appointments).

Parking in front of the school.

Please abide by the parking signs in front of the school. Due to complaints from our neighbors, By Law officers will be monitoring the area and will ticket cars who are parked or stopped in a “no stopping” or “no parking” zone.

Dress Code

As the warmer weather arrives please make sure that your child abides by the dress code protocol at Glen Brae. No undergarments are to be visible. No shirts bearing the midriff are permitted. Please remember that any writing or logos on garments must be appropriate for school.

At Glen Brae, all students belong to lunch “House” where they dine with students from all grades. Each house is involved in a points system. The winning house has a very special prize at the end of school year.

Which house is winning so far??

1st Place – Kodiak (Still in the lead!)

2nd Place - Makwa

3rd Place – Nanuk

Keep earning those tokens students!



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Electives Day

The Glen Brae staff and students are looking forward to upcoming electives day trips that were rescheduled due to snow days in early February. Thursday March 7, a group of students will be heading to Chicopee Ski Hill in Waterloo to enjoy the snow that has fallen upon us over the last month. The staff have set a tentative re-scheduled date for May 1st for our other excursions.

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, provide opportunities to raise funds that support our students with programming and our nutrition program.

We currently have several items that students can purchase during lunch hours.

Pizza Day – Wednesday only \$1.50 per slice

Cookies - \$1.00

Hot Chocolate - \$1.00

Popcorn - \$2.00



Snuggle up and Read Family Literacy Day

Family Literacy Day is a national initiative that promotes the importance of reading and learning together as a family. Every year, families across Canada are encouraged to take the time to celebrate this special day.

At Glen Brae, literacy is important, and we encourage students to read every day. On Friday February 22, all staff and students spent time reading during periods 3 and 6. It was so nice to see the collective interest in literacy. A special thank you to Mrs. Zavarella for providing Hot Chocolate to all our students as they snuggled up and read.

Taking time to read every day is crucial to a child's development, improving literacy skills dramatically.

Homework Club

Homework club continues to be offered each Tuesday during lunch in the library. This is a great opportunity for students to catch up on missed work and get some extra help. It's also a nice warm place for those students who would like to stay in from the cold and get a head start on a project or read a book for pleasure. If you are aware that your son/daughter needs to catch up on something, please encourage them to attend.



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Nutrition Program Update

We are excited to share that through a grant from the Egg Farmers of Canada, with the support of Hamilton Tastebuds School Nutrition Collaborative, we have been able to purchase a brand new industrial fridge and other much needed equipment for our nutrition program. Glen Brae provides a morning snack before the school day that consists of 3 different food groups. Some of the things that students can enjoy include milk, cheese, yogurt, bagels, omelets, hard boiled eggs, muffins, crackers, fruit, veggies and cereal.

We believe that all students in Hamilton should have universal access to healthy foods in school in order to improve student success, support healthy growth, development, and lifelong eating habits.

We know that nutrition is a fundamental determinant of healthy child development & that good nutrition enhances a child's ability to learn. All students who attend Glen Brae have access to the morning snack.

The nutrition program is only possible due to a group of committed student volunteers who arrive early each day to prepare the carts and our wonderful Educational Assistants who truly make the program possible.

Happier Together

March 20 is the International Day of Happiness and this year's theme is Happier Together, focusing on what we have in common, rather than what divides us.

On a daily basis, the staff at Glen Brae remind students that they are worthy, strong resilient and capable.

Everyone wants to be happy - and life is happier when we're together. So at Glen Brae, we will celebrate our common humanity. On this day we will remind students to celebrate the things that make them happier, but focus on some key ideas: Giving compliments, ways to be resilient and daily happiness habits.








THE CALENDAR IS BELOW!

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MARCH 2019 CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				March 1 P.A. Day No School for Students
March 4	March 5 Homework room available to all students – 11:50 – 12:30	March 6	March 7	March 8 French Immersion speeches in the gym - 9:00 a.m. School Spirit Day Green and Blue Day
March 11 	March 12 	March 13 	March 14 	March 15 
March 18	Homework room available to all students – 11:50 – 12:30	March 20 International Day of Happiness	March 21	March 22 School Spirit Day Clothes Swap Day
March 25	March 26 Dance Competition at Glendale Highschool Homework room available to all students – 11:50 – 12:30	March 27	March 28	March 29 School Spirit Day Hat Day Principal's awards assembly – 9:00 a.m.

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