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# GLEN BRAE NEWSLETTER October 2019

### From the Desk of Mrs. Constable

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving. I hope you will enjoy spending time with your family and friends, giving thanks for all we have to be grateful for. Grade 6 EQAO results have been released. I am so proud of the efforts of Glen Brae staff and students for all their hard work preparing for EQAO. Our school results continue to be above Board and Provincial results. Way to go Glen Brae!

On October 29<sup>th</sup>, your child will receive their progress report. It is extremely important to review your child's report with them and set some goals for the upcoming months. Parent teacher interviews will be scheduled on the evening of November 7<sup>th</sup> and the morning of November 8<sup>th</sup>. Your child's homeroom teacher will be scheduling interviews. If you are unable to make it in to discuss your child's progress, please feel free to call the school to schedule a phone interview.

As this school year progresses we will continue to provide as much information as possible regarding the transitions that will take place for next year. In the 2020/2021 school year we will see our French Immersion students attending their new schools for French Immersion (W.H. Ballard and Eastdale). In September 2020, those staff and students remaining at Glen Brae school will move from a Traditional School Day to a Balanced School Day. The Balanced School Day is comprised of two forty-minute nutrition breaks rather than a one-hour lunch break. More information about this transition will come in the upcoming months.

Have a wonderful October.

Mrs. S. Constable

### GLEN BRAE EQAO SCORES - 2018/2019

2018/2019Scores – Percentages indicate those students at or above Provincial Standard

Reading - 83%

Writing – 82%

Math - 50%

**Board Results:** 

Reading 73%, Writing 73% and Math 36%

**Provincial Results:** 

Reading 81%, Writing 82% and Math 48%

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# **Orange Shirt Day**

At HWDSB, we respect the longstanding relationships with the local Indigenous communities, the Mississauga's of the New Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River. On Monday September 30th, the staff and students at Glen Brae joined with staff and students across the board to recognize Orange Shirt Day. We wear orange to honor the survivors, victims and lasting effects of Canada's Residential Schools.

Indigenous children were forcibly removed from their homes, families and communities to attend schools that stripped them of their culture, languages and identity. This created irreversible harm from which many families still suffer.

The date September 30 was chosen because it is the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to residential schools. It also gives school systems time to set the stage for equity and inclusion initiatives for the coming school year.

Wearing orange helps raise awareness of the residential school experience, ensures that every child knows they matter, and works toward a better future for all people. The orange shirt became significant due to the story of Phyllis Webstad, who in the early 1970s had her orange shirt taken away on her first day at the residential school St. Joseph Mission (SJM) in British Columbia.

Throughout the days leading up to Orange Shirt Day, students were engaged in discussions and activities to learn about indigenous rights and the impact of residential schools. Thank you to everyone who wore orange to honor the lives lost and survivors of residential schools and thank you to those who spent the time talking about this very important Canadian issue.

# GLEN BRAE IS HAVING A BOOK SALE!

Many kids have amazing books that they have read, that are now just sitting on a shelf collecting dust. Why not donate those books to the Glen Brae Book sale for others to purchase for .50 cents to \$1.00? Students may bring in donated books up until Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup>. On Friday October 18th from 9-11:30, students may come down to the front fover to purchase a great book.



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# PICTURE DAY IS WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 2ND, 2019

GRADE 7 Immunization needles are being administered on October 22nd



# It's Halloween! It's time to dress up and Dance!

This year Halloween falls on Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup>. Students are allowed to come to school wearing their costumes. The Halloween Dance will take place at 1:00 p.m. and will go until 3:00 p.m. The cost of the dance is \$5.00 and can be paid using school cash net on line beginning Monday October 21<sup>st</sup>. Student can also pay cash to their homeroom teachers. This money is used to pay the DJ who keeps the kids dancing all afternoon! He also has a great lighting system that turns the gym into a wonderful dancing space. There are also drinks and snacks for purchase during the dance. For those students who are not fond of dances or dancing, there are quiet, fun rooms available for them to spend the afternoon.

# Principal's Awards Assembly

At the end of each month, each staff member recognizes students who they believe are most deserving of a Principal's award. This award may be given for a number of reasons. After the assembly, all award winners proceed to the library for a group photo which is then displayed in the front display case. I hope one day you will get invited to see your child win an award! The October Principal's awards assembly will be held on Friday November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

#### Subscribe to the Glen Brae Website

Parents are asked to go to the Glen Brae website and click on "Subscribe" (or go directly to: <a href="http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/glenbrae/subscribe/">http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/glenbrae/subscribe/</a>). This will enable us to update you when new items are posted to our website. Helping us in the way will allow us to save hundreds of dollars in photocopying/paper charges that can then be redirected to purchases for classrooms. You may unsubscribe any time in the future.

# **Congratulations Glen Brae Boys and Girls 3 Pitch Teams**

Congratulations Glen Brae! The Senior Boys and Girls 3 Pitch Teams did very well at their tournaments this month. All students displayed great sportsmanship and represented Glen Brae so well. Thanks so much to Mr. Smith and Mrs. Sindall for coaching the teams.

Up next..... Boys and Girls Volleyball and Cross Country Teams are underway. The Cross Country Meet takes place on Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Christie's Conservation Area.

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# In Recognition and with Appreciation

Here are some important dates to recognize some important people in the life of your child. Each and every day your child is supported by many people who impact their learning. We appreciate all those who care for and support our students at Glen Brae

October 2 – National Custodial Workers Day

October 4 – World Teachers' Day

October 23 – Professional School Bus Driver Appreciation Day

#### Does your child have an IEP?

Individual Education Plans for students will go home during the month of October. If you have any questions at all about your child's IEP, please contact their homeroom teacher or our Learning Teacher Mr. Smith. Staff can be reached at 905 560 6732.

# **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





#### **Pizza Wednesdays**

Every Wednesday, pizza will be on sale at Lunch. The cost is \$1.25 a slice and is on a first come, first served basis. It is important that students bring a lunch so that they don't go hungry if the pizza is sold out.



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#### **School Cash on Line**

- 1. Register
  - a) If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page <a href="https://hwdsb.schoolcashonine.com">https://hwdsb.schoolcashonine.com</a> 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.

### **Ontario Dress Purple Day 2019**

Every child has the right to safety and wellbeing.

Every October Children's Aid Societies across the province raise awareness about the rights of children and youth, their safety and well-being, and the responsibility of adults and community services to help children, youth, and families who need support. On Ontario Dress Purple Day Glen Brae will join together with key partners, Children's Aid Societies, Boards of Education, schools, child care centers and homes, to share this positive message that help is available and to celebrate the community that cares for kids and families.

This year Ontario Dress Purple Day will take place on Thursday, October 24, 2019.

To support Ontario Dress Purple Day and its focus on getting and giving help, the staff and students at Glen Brae will be dressing in purple and participating in activities that will make the day a meaningful and engaging learning opportunity everyone. Staff and students will be engaging in discussion with students about safety and well-being in all aspects of their lives, helping adults in the community, and how to ask for help.

For information, check out this link: <a href="http://www.oacas.org/dresspurpleday/">http://www.oacas.org/dresspurpleday/</a>

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1	Photo day Pizza Day  Custodial Appreciation Day	Cross Country Meet at Christies Conservation Area	World Teacher Appreciation Day School Bus Safety Presentation for all grades this morning
7 Bring in donated books this week	8	9	10	11
14 Happy Thanksgiving!	15	Last day to bring in donated books  Pizza Day – 1.25	17	18 Glen Brae Book Sale 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Payment available on line for the Halloween Dance	Grade 7 Immunization Needles	23 Pizza Day – 1.25 School Bus Driver appreciation Day	Purple Day – In recognition of Children's rights. We wear purple today <sup>(3)</sup>	25
28	Progress Reports go home today	30 Pizza Day – 1.25	Halloween Dance - 1:00 - 3:00 Costumes may be worn to school	November 1

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