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Re: Grade 7 Trip to Muskoka Woods

Dear Parents/Guardians

The Elementary Teachers Federation of Ontario has announced that effective Monday January 13<sup>th,</sup> 2020, the current work to rule will enter its next phase. This phase does not allow teachers to participate in field trips or extra-curricular activities. As a result, the trip to Muskoka Woods planned for Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup> is cancelled at this time. It will be a regular school week for all grade 7 students next week.

I have spoken with our Muskoka Woods representative and if the current job action has ended by March 2020, they would be able to re-schedule this trip for Wednesday March  $11^{th}$  – Friday March  $13^{th}$ . Unfortunately, this is the only time slot they have available. At this time, we are hoping to be able to re-schedule this trip and attend in March. If by chance, the trip is rescheduled and your child is unable to attend, we will need a written, dated note asking for your refund.

If the current ETFO Job action has not ended and this trip is definitely cancelled, all parents will be refunded the full amount that you have paid for the trip. Our office will make out a cheque to parents and it will be mailed to your home address. Unfortunately, as per HWDSB policy, fundraising money cannot be refunded. If your child participated in the chocolate bar fundraiser, those funds will put into the school fundraising account and will be used to enhance resources and programming at the school.

We appreciate your support and understanding during this very difficult political time. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the school.

Sincerely, Mrs. S. Constable Principal Glen Brae School.