

Glen Orchard Public School

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December News

2015

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Principal's Message

In this month of December, when kindness and fellowship dominate our thoughts, it is with intent that we foster a sense of community and speak specifically about how we, collectively, can enrich the lives of others. With this in mind, at Glen Orchard we have spent the fall growing a "Character Tree" in our foyer. We are on the watch for good character as we witness acts and hear words of students, staff and volunteers and then document them with photos which are displayed in a monthly Character Education assembly and posted on our Character Tree. We will continue to add to our tree throughout the year as we celebrate the positive choices each and every one of us makes in order to make our school a great place to be.

As we move forward to the holiday break in December, and on behalf of my family, I wish you a happy, healthy holiday season.

-Deb Wines


West Muskoka Food Drive

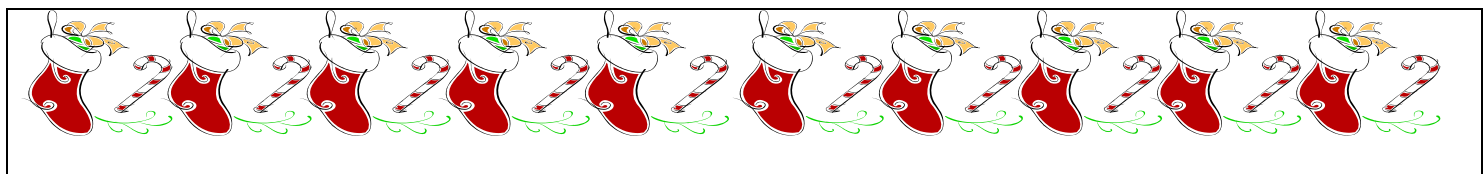
The West Muskoka Food Drive is currently underway. They rely heavily on the contributions from Glen Orchard Public School families. In support, each of our classrooms will be collecting non-perishable food items. On Thursday, December 17th a special assembly will be held at which time members of the local churches and the OPP will come and collect the food to be distributed to families in need over the holidays.

Christmas Concert

Family and friends are invited to join us for a Christmas celebration on Wednesday, December 16th (snow date Dec. 17) at 6:30 p.m. in the gym. Students are busy practicing their Christmas numbers to entertain you with. We're looking forward to celebrating the season with you!



<p><u>Christmas Book Fair</u> The library will be hosting a Christmas Book Fair from Monday, December 7th to Wednesday, December 9th. This is the perfect opportunity to buy some new reading material for Christmas gifts and/or stocking stuffers.</p> <p>Come and join us in the library for a Family Night on Tuesday, December 8th. Family Night runs from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. There will be a Family Event Door Prize where every family that visits the Book Fair has a chance to win \$25.00 in books for their home library PLUS \$25.00 in books for their child's classroom library.</p> <p>Our goal is to sell \$1,700.00 in books. If we succeed with this goal, Glen Orchard P.S. will receive \$750.00 in new Scholastic reading material.</p> <p>Come and see what's new at this year's Scholastic Christmas Book Fair! Hope to see you there!</p> 	<p><u>Visitor's Badges</u> If you are at the school to pick up or drop off your child, please wait for them in the hallway outside the office. If you need to go down the hall to visit a classroom or volunteer, please pick up a visitor's badge at the office. This way, staff who may not know you are assured that you've checked in through the office. Thank you.</p> <p><u>Knitting Club</u> Members of the Glen Orchard P.S. Knitting Club will be working on very special "out-of-the-cold" winter projects beginning in the New Year. We would be very grateful for donations of larger sized knitting needles (6mm-8mm) and/or "chunky" or "bulky" yarn. If you have either of these items looking for a new home, please send them to the school with your child. These items will be gratefully accepted.</p>



VOUCHER ORDER FORM

Student's Name:	Teacher's Name:
# of .75 vouchers (.75 ea. or 10/\$7.50)	Amount enclosed:
# of \$2.00 vouchers (\$2 ea. or 10/\$20)	Amount enclosed:
# of \$2.50 vouchers (\$2.50 ea. Or 10/\$25.00)	Amount enclosed:

Milk & Juice = .75

Pizza = \$2

Hamburgers = \$2.50

Dressing for the Weather

Although the temperature has dropped, and we have had a glimpse of winter on its way, we are still patiently waiting for our typical Muskoka Snow Storm to come and blanket our yard for the winter. With the snow, lots of fun will surely follow! We encourage you to remind your children to bring hats, mitts, scarves, boots, coats and snow pants, so that play in the snow can be enjoyable.

Community Santa Claus Parades

Many of our students joined the Bala Santa Claus Parade dressed in various costumes and riding a number of floats on Saturday, November 14. Thanks to the organizers of the Bala parade for inviting our students to take part in this community event.

Our intermediate students, under the direction of our own Ms. Lee and supported by Mr. Reisenburg, joined the Port Carling Santa Claus parade on Saturday, November 22nd, to share their instrumental musical talents. A big thank you goes out to students and staff and to Mr. and Mrs. Heptinstall for organizing, supervising and decorating and trailering the float in the parade. We would also like to thank Mitchell Tree Service for the use of their flatbed so this event could happen.



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 (3)	2 (4)	3 (5)	4 (1) 
7 (2)	8 (3)  Poinsettia Pick-Up 3:15 – 6:30 Book Fair Family Night 3 – 6:30	9 (4) 	10 (5)	11 (1)  Progress Reports Home
Christmas Book Fair Family Night – Dec. 8				
14 (2)	15 (3) Gr. 7/8 to Muskoka Ed. Centre for Dragon's Den – all day	16 (4)   <small>shutterstock · 184663112</small> Christmas Concert - 6:30 p.m.	17 (5) Food Drive Assembly	18 (1) 
Merry Christmas 				
Students return January 4, 2016				

(#) indicates day in 5 day cycle