

Glen Orchard Public School

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September News

2014

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Principal's Message

As we begin a new school year, with all of the excitement and energy a fresh start holds, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new parents, students and staff to our Glen Orchard Public School community, and to also extend a warm return welcome to those here in previous years. We, as a group of educators, are looking forward to a year packed full of student accomplishments and growth. We believe that student success is a direct result of the team work and shared goals between the community, parents, educators and students and we encourage the dialogue between all stake holders that will continue to allow our students to grow. We encourage you to be active in your child's educational career and to come into the school to be part of the many celebrations that will happen over the course of this year.

On a personal note, it is with great pleasure that I return once again to this great community. I have had the opportunity to be involved in education in many different roles at Glen Orchard Public School and I now feel a sense of "returning home" as I assume this role as principal. I look forward to meeting members of the school community and the parent community and I invite you to drop by and introduce yourself so that we may begin our journey of working together to promote student learning at Glen Orchard.

Deb Wines

September Character Trait: Goal Setting is knowing precisely what you want to achieve and where you have to concentrate your efforts.

Glen Orchard Staff

JK/SK	Leann Wallace
Grade 1/2	Susan Judges
Grade 2/3	Ricki Crothers
Grade 4/5	Liz Hollands
Grade 6/7	Sandra Hoskins
Grade 7/8	Gerry Reisenburg
Core French	Sandra Carter
Special Education	Lynn Marshall
Primary Phys. Ed.	Lee Mortimer
Instructional Lead	Linda Hachmer
E.A.'s	Jayne Drinkwater
	Brooklin Lawley
	Bill Askew
	Ashlee Ploughman
	Barb Whaley
Admin. Assistants	S. Carter, G. Reisenburg, L. Wallace
Secretaries	Bonnie Bell/Diane Hennig
Custodians	Andy Briggs, Todd Vance, Dave Montgomery



Safe Arrival

The Safe Arrival program will be up and running beginning September 3rd. Please remember to call the Safe Arrival number, 705-765-6753, to leave a message if your child is going to be late or absent. Watch for information coming home regarding a new, automated Safe Arrival system that will come into effect in October.

School Agendas

Agendas are provided to all students as a means of daily communication between home and school. They are an excellent way to stay tuned to what your child is doing and we strongly encourage you to use this communication and organizational tool. To help offset the cost of the agendas, we ask each student to submit \$6.00 to their teacher as soon as possible. Thank you.

Peanut/Imitation Peanut/Nut Spreads

Trillium Lakelands District School Board is committed to providing safe environments for individuals with life-threatening allergies. While we recognize that it is not possible to guarantee a nut-free environment, careful planning can assist in creating an allergen-safe environment. TLDSB does not support the use of imitation peanut/nut spreads in schools as staff are not able to easily identify or visually distinguish between them and the real deal. In order to most effectively reduce the element of risk to students with allergies, we are asking for your cooperation in not sending any peanut products or imitation peanut/nut spreads to school. THANKS!

School Photos

On Tuesday, September 30th, Lifetouch Photographers will be in the school to take individual and class photos of all students. Retakes are scheduled for October 29th.



Meet the Teacher

Glen Orchard's "Meet the Teacher" night is scheduled for Wednesday, September 17th. Watch for more information coming home.

Cell Phones at Glen Orchard Public

Given today's growing access to technology, we recognize that many families have provided their children with cell phones. We know that they can be a valuable educational tool and as a responsive staff, we are committed to providing explicit instruction to students on the appropriate use of this device within the school system. Over the course of the next days and weeks, there will be classroom discussions and instruction on how to maximize this piece of technology in classroom cultures where it is appropriate. We recognize that many families also choose not to provide their child with a cell phone – alternative technological devices will allow them access to the same instruction. **We ask that all students that need to communicate with home do so through the school system under the direction of a teacher, secretary or administrator.**



Milk, Juice, Pizza

White and chocolate milk, as well as apple, orange and strawberry banana 100% juice, will be for sale everyday at lunch time, beginning September 8th. Cartons of milk in the 250 ml size are .75. Tetra packs (200 ml) of juice cost .75 as well. Pizza will be for sale at lunch on Fridays for \$2/slice, beginning September 13th. A voucher order form is included below and we strongly urge everyone to use this system, as opposed to the transfer of cash.

Medical Conditions

If your child has a medical condition that we should be aware of, please visit the school office to assist us in completing the necessary forms to ensure that all staff and bus drivers know what is required in the event of an emergency. Please also ensure that all medications and epipens are current.



VOUCHER ORDER FORM

Student's Name:	Teacher's Name:
# of .75 vouchers (.75 ea. or 10/\$7.50)	Amount enclosed:
# of \$2 vouchers (\$2 ea. Or 10/\$20.00)	Amount enclosed:

Milk & Juice = .75

Pizza = \$2.00

Terry Fox Walk

We will be participating in a Terry Fox Walk this year, date TBA. Watch for more info coming home.

Emergency Contacts

An information form will be going home soon which will assist us in keeping your home, work and emergency contact information up to date. Please let us know if these numbers change throughout the year.

Student Insurance

An application for student insurance is coming home with your child. This insurance opportunity is an option for you to consider along with your other accident insurance. Forms should be sent directly to the insurance company. **DO NOT RETURN THE FORM TO THE SCHOOL.**

School Council

The Glen Orchard Parent Council will be holding its first regular meeting in October. Any new parents wishing to join are welcome. Watch for more information coming home.

Scholastic Book Fair

The first Scholastic Book Fair for the 2014/2015 school year will take place from Wednesday, Sept. 17th to Friday Sept. 19th. The Book Fair will be open the evening of Meet the Teacher! We will have a Student/Teacher draw, where every student that purchases a BOOK can enter a draw to win \$25.00 in reading material as well as a \$25.00 Gift Certificate for their classroom teacher to purchase books for the classroom. We look forward to seeing you then!

Lost and Found

Each year we have many clothes abandoned on the playground, the coat hooks and in the lost and found. Please ensure that your child's clothes are labelled so that they can be returned if they are misplaced.

Electronic Devices

We discourage electronic devices being brought to school. Please remember that the school is not responsible for the loss of such personal belongings.

Timetable

Buses arrive between 8:25 and 8:30 a.m. Our first snack break is from 10:20 – 10:35 a.m., followed by outdoor recess until 11:00 a.m. Students eat lunch from 12:40 – 12:55 p.m., followed by outdoor recess until 1:20 p.m. Dismissal is at 3:00 p.m. It is important that all students **arrive on time** for school so classes are not disrupted and students don't miss the beginning of classroom instruction.

Drop Off/Pick Up Parking

We request that vehicles do not drive through our bus drop-off and pick up areas across the front of the school during the hours of 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. and from 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. Anyone picking up or dropping off students is reminded not to pass buses while they are on school property, whether lights are flashing or not. This is a serious safety issue for us and we thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sign In/Sign Out

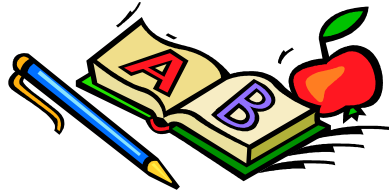
It is asked that students arriving late or leaving early sign in or out at the office on each occasion. Parents picking up children early are asked to forward a note to the classroom teacher that morning, and check out at the office when picking up your child. This will help ensure that all students are accounted for at the end of the day.

Day of Peace




Glen Orchard is excited about partnering with Muskoka Chautauqua and Kaleidoscope Arts in Education Programs in celebration of the United Nations International Day of Peace on September 21st. Students will have the opportunity to work with artists to learn the art of origami crane folding along with promoting the concept of peace within and between our schools, homes, communities and nations. A celebration of peace will take in an assembly to be held on September 19th.

COMMUNITY NEWS

AWANA will be starting on Thursday, September 25th at the Port Carling Community Centre from 6:20 – 8:00 p.m.



September 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	2 (1)	3 (2)	4 (3)	5 (4)
8 (5)	9 (1)	10 (2)	11 (3)	12 (4) 
15 (5)	16 (1)	17 (2) Meet the Teacher Night – 5:30 – 7:00 pm.	18 (3)	19 (4) 
		Book Fair - Family Night on Wednesday		
22 (5)	23 (1)	24 (2)	25 (3)	26 (4) 
29 (5) HepB – Gr. 7 HPB – Gr. 8	30 (1) School Photos			

(#) indicates day in 5 day cycle