

Glen Orchard Public School

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September News 2017



Principal's Message

As we begin a new school year, I know that we are all ready to return to a year full of promise and possibilities. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new parents, students and staff to our Glen Orchard Public School community. As a group of educators, we are looking forward to a year full of challenges and growth, teamwork and opportunities, accomplishments and triumphs. We encourage dialogue between community members, students and staff to ensure success is achieved. We also encourage you to be active in your child's educational career and to come into the school and to be part of the many celebrations that will happen over the course of this year.

Over the summer months, the custodial staff worked hard to clean Glen Orchard Public School, from top to bottom! It looks great! Our Glen Orchard Garden is looking amazing too! Thank you to Mr. Briggs who helped keep the garden watered. Beans, zucchini, onions and some carrots are ready!

I look forward to an exciting and successful new year.

2017/2018 Staff List

Principal
Special Education
Physical Education
French
Kindergarten
Grade SK/1
Grade 2/3
Grade 3/4
Grade 5/6
Grade 7/8
Educational
Assistants

DECE
Secretary
Secretary/Library
Clerk
Custodians

Deb Wines
Lynn Marshall
Sandy Hoskins
Gabor Garai
Leann Wallace
Ricki Crothers
Brenda Mannings
Anna McNay-Racki
Tracey Coulter
Ben Grimstead
Michelle Dubreuil
Sarah Gray
Ashlee Ploughman
Jacquie Stewart
Rhonda Crawley
Debbie Langille
Bonnie Bell
Diane Hennig

Andy Briggs
Tod Vance

Did You Know we have a Facebook page? Check us out on Facebook to see what's happening here at GLO and find out about upcoming events. You can also follow us on Twitter @GlenOrchardPS!

Dressed for the Business of Learning

Our school has adopted an acceptable dress code policy where bare midriffs are unacceptable. Low cut tops, short shorts and micro mini skirts are also not suitable. Underwear is not be visible beyond outer garments. Articles of clothing with pictures/phrases that promote alcohol/drug consumption or with sexually suggestive phrases are not acceptable as well as demeaning/racist outerwear. Hats, hoods, bandanas, visors and other headwear shall be removed when entering the school.

Glen Orchard is a Nut and Fish-Free School

Within our school we have students who are **severely allergic to nuts and fish**. We therefore ask parents to be especially careful not to send nuts, nut products, fish or fish products to school or on the bus.



Fun Night

School Council is planning a Fun Night/Meet the Teacher event for Tuesday, September 26th from 5:30p.m. to 7:00p.m. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Hydration Station

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of School Council and some generous donations from private individuals, we are now able to purchase a Hydration station. This will allow students to not only get a drink from the fountain, but also fill their water bottles. It will be located outside the front office. We hope to have this installed in the very near future.

On-line Payment System

You now have the option of paying for your child's field trips and other school expenses on-line. School Cash Online is a secure, convenient way to pay for your child's school expenses. For more information, visit tldsb.ca/epayments

Transportation

1. Each school has a defined area for determining transportation. Out-of-area student's transportation will be the responsibility of the parent.
2. Daily transportation for eligible students residing outside the designated walking area is provided by the Board.
3. Students may be required to walk up to 0.8 km to a designated bus pick-up point.
4. An alternate existing stop may be granted if that pick-up/drop-off point is on the same bus route. A WRITTEN request by the parent/guardian must be first approved by the principal or designate.
5. Arrangements may be made for ONE alternate Childcare or Custody pick-up/drop-off location and must be for a FIXED, REGULAR schedule.
6. This year, parents can Login to the BusPlannerWeb to check their child's transportation arrangements/weather related cancellations using a secure login. Visit www.mybustoschool.ca for more information. Parents require their child's OEN number (available from their report card), the child's birth date, grade and school.

Drop Off/Pick Up Parking

We ask that vehicles do not park or 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.



Safe Arrival

Please remember to call the Safe Arrival number, **705-765-6753**, to leave a message before 8:45 a.m. if your child is going to be late or absent.

Electronic Devices

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

School Connects

Occasionally we use our School Connects system to notify or remind parents of important dates or upcoming events. If you would like to receive these telephone messages and have not already signed the TLDSB School-Home Communication Consent Form, please come in to the school to do so.

Criminal Reference Checks

If you don't have a criminal reference check and you may want to volunteer at the school, or accompany your child on a class trip, now is the time to apply. There is no charge for volunteers requesting the check. Please enquire at the school office about getting the letter from us that must accompany your application. Completed reference checks are sent directly to the applicant. If you have a reference check, please enquire at the office about signing an Offence Declaration.



Is an electronic flyer communication tool used to view school-approved eflyers. Simply click the Peachjar button on the school's website homepage.

You also have the option of having these eflyers delivered right to your inbox! **Please visit Peachjar.com to register.** This system is used exclusively for distribution of school-approved flyers, e.g. soccer, preschool and school fundraising information. Your email address will never be shared or used for any other purpose.

School newsletters are also shared on Peachjar. **If you would prefer not to receive a paper copy of the newsletter, please notify the school office – 705-765-3144.**

News from the Gym :)

Welcome back everyone to another school year! Reminders to all that physical and outdoor education will take place indoors and outdoors...students are asked to be prepared with the appropriate footwear and clothing. Student in the grade 3/4 classroom up to the grade 7/8 classroom will be changing for gym. Proper, safe footwear is a must for all students...that means running shoes with a good grip for both indoor and outdoor play.

We've welcomed our fantastic 'GaGa Ball' pit and are working through observing the rules that allow everyone to be safe and have fun!

There will be several sports events coming up and we will be sending home specific letters and permission forms for events.



September 2017 at a Glance

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	5 (1)	6 (2)	7 (3)	8 (4)
11 (5)	12 (1)	13 (2)	14 (3)	15 (4)
18 (5) Terry Fox Walk/Runathon	19 (1) Terry Fox Walk/Runathon School Photos	20 (2) Terry Fox Walk/Runathon	21 (3) Terry Fox Walk/Runathon	22 (4) Terry Fox Walk/Runathon
25 (5)	26 (1) Fun Night X-Country Hoya Hills/Arrowhead	27 (2)	28 (3)	29 (4) (Tentative) Soccer Tournament

(#) indicates day in 5 day cycle

Coming events:

October 5 – X-country run at Glen Orchard P.S.

October 13 – Muskoka Mud Run