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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Spring is in 'full swing' now and the nice weather is finally here to stay. Many students have noticed that the Pine Glen gardens are beginning to bloom.

Throughout this past year, there has been a great deal of attention to the idea of "Outdoor Classrooms." At the very core of this idea is the fact that students need

opportunities to connect with the natural environment. In a recent article in the Globe and Mail, it is noted that "The research is clear: Getting outside motivates children to learn, keeps them attentive, builds their imaginations and improves classroom behaviour, all of which can improve test scores. This is on top of the obvious physical benefits."

So, if you happen to see Pine Glen students outside during instructional time, you just might be able to see an 'outdoor classroom' at work.

Have a safe and happy spring. Remember to wear helmets, hats, sunscreen and bug repellent.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

On Fri. May 15th our students will be skipping during Learning Block 3 for Jump Rope For Heart to raise money for Heart and Stroke research. Pledge sheets are due May __. We hope you are able to support this worthy cause.

TRACK AND FIELD

Our Track and Field date has been scheduled for June 3rd with a rain date of June 4th. Grades 3-8 participate in this event and the top winners go on to the Regional Track Meet on June 11th at Huntsville High School.



On Thurs. May 12th Pine Glen is hosting a **Welcome to Kindergarten** evening from 6:00—7:00 p.m. for all new JK and SK registrants for September. Parents are welcome to bring their child and visit various stations that will help acquaint them with activities which will help support their child's learning.

EQAO

The dates for Pine Glen Primary and Junior EQAO assessments are May 26th—June 2nd

Please check out the **PARENT RESOURCE** area on the EQAO website? (www.eqao.com). This area of the website contains information such as an explanation of the assessment itself and what schools and boards do with the results. You can also view previous EQAO assessments as well as their scoring guides. The website also contains **A Parent's Guide to EQAO Tests** which you may download.

PARENT COUNCIL NEWS


Our craft sale was a huge success! Thank you to all who helped to make this happen, by donating, baking, participating, and attending.

The next School Council Meeting will be on Monday, June 1st at 6:30 p.m. in our library.

We are still in need of Breakfast Club volunteers for an hour per week. Please contact the office if you can volunteer.

Go to PEACHJAR at the Pine Glen website to see posted flyers, Parent Engagement Tips, etc.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Day 1 Pizza Day	2 Pine Glen Craft Sale 9:00-3:00 pm
3 Education Week "Achieving Excellence": Moving for- ward in Math	4 Day 2 Hot Lunch Parent Coun- cil Mtng @ 6:30 p..m..	5 Day 3 Music Tues- day Mass Band Day Glee Perf.	6 Day 4 Hot Lunch	7 Day 5 Order Pizza	8 Day 1 Pizza Day Robotic Fair— Gravenhurst	9
10 MOTHERS' DAY! 	11 Day 2 Hot Lunch Grad Re- takes @ 1:30	12 Day 3 Welcome to Kindergar- ten night 6:00-7:00	13 Day 4 Hot Lunch	14 Day 5 Order Pizza Volunteer Luncheon 1-2 pm	15 Day 1 Pizza Day Jump Rope for Heart L.B. #3	16
17	18 VICTORIA DAY HOLIDAY	19 Day 2 Hep B -Gr. 7 Gardisil—Gr. 8 girls Dental Team here	20 Day 3 Hot Lunch	21 Day 4 Order Pizza	22 Day 5 Pizza Day	23
24/31	25 Day 1 Hot Lunch	26 Day 2 EQAO be- gins until June 2nd	27 Day 3 Hot Lunch Gr. 7's in Waterloo	28 Day 4 Order Pizza Gr. 7's in Waterloo	29 Day 5 Pizza Day Gr. 7's re- turn from Waterloo	30



Our Character Trait this month is "Respect".

