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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

As school begins, time seems to disappear before our eyes. September was a wonderful month of renewing old friendships, starting new ones and immersing ourselves in a new learning community. Staff and students have enjoyed weeks of exploring ways to work together effectively and supportively while engaging in the topics of their new grade curriculums.

Thank you for making my first month at Glenview such a pleasure! I have enjoyed meeting and talking with so many of you either by phone or in person. The care and support that you give your children contributes to the positive attitude that they express towards learning. I invite and encourage each student to take pride in Glenview by participating in the multitude of activities and special events. I look forward to working with you as we all strive for educational excellence.

Our first assembly of the year at Glenview focused on Respect - the 3 R's. The students enjoyed an interactive assembly in which they could participate by giving examples of the 3 R's.

Respect Yourself

- * be a hard worker and take pride in what you do
- * be on time and prepared for class
- * be honest and trustworthy
- * be accountable for your actions

Respect Others

- * be empathetic to the needs of others
- * allow others the right to learn without disruption
- * use polite language and good manners
- * be a polite and attentive listener
- * respect the personal property of others

Respect Glenview

- * take pride in being part of the Glenview community
- * treat the school and its property with care
- * treat equipment and materials with care

We hope you will become familiar with the 3 R's and encourage your children to follow them throughout their daily lives, as we continue to reinforce these goals through our daily thoughts of the day.

We would like to welcome all new students and families to our school, especially our Junior Kindergarten students. It is an exciting time for these young children as they begin their school careers.

Thank you to all our parents/guardians who consciously support our school policies and procedures...particularly in regards to school visits. Your cooperation in signing in at the office and wearing a visitor's badge in the school building supports our efforts to ensure a safe school environment. If you are volunteering or just dropping something off for your child, you must come to the office first. Please do not take your child to his/her classroom. In order to maintain a focused learning environment, all parents must pre-arrange classroom visits. During regular dismissal time, we ask that all parents meet their children outside the doors on the playground. Please do not meet them in the hallways. This helps to reduce the congestion in the hallways and school. Thanks.

Thanks so much to all the parents who attended our "Meet and Greet" session in September. The education of our students is a shared responsibility. We welcome the support, involvement and cooperation of all community members. Communication between home and school is critical to school success. Please always feel welcome to contact the school with any questions, concerns or suggestions. We value your input in making our school the best it can be.

We would like to thank all parents, relatives for joining us at our recent Open House. It was a great opportunity for staff and students to celebrate their new beginnings with you. The energy and enthusiasm of our students was a reflection of their pride and sense of belonging in their school and talent of our teaching staff in making learning fun, interesting and inclusive.

I am looking forward to the 2008-2009 school year. Please remember that you are encouraged to call, or drop by to discuss issues or simply stay in touch. Deborah Renton, Principal

VOLUNTEERS... This is the sixth year that the Halton District School Board's current volunteer process is in effect. Every volunteer must have a **Police Check**. **If you are a new volunteer without a police check on file at the school, go to the nearest local police station between 1:00-6:00 and complete the form (\$15.00 cash)**. In time, your Police Check should be ready for pickup. You can go to other area police stations as well. Bring the completed form to the office and a photocopy will be made for the office. If you have the Police Check and Volunteer Form from last year, there is no need to worry. If you are new to volunteering in the school, you are to complete a **Volunteer Form if you have not already done so**. The Police Check and Volunteer Form are all kept confidential in the school office.

THANK YOU SO MUCH...

* **To everyone for not bringing dogs onto school property.** Our four legged friends are to remain on the sidewalk on Townsend Ave. off school property. There are children in the school who are extremely nervous of or allergic to dogs. Even the friendliest of dogs can display unpredictable behaviour.

* To those parents who remembered **not** to park in the **FIRE ZONES—ALONG THE FENCE LINE IN THE DRIVEWAY, BESIDE THE FIRE HYDRANT, BESIDE THE WALL FACING THE TEACHERS' PARKING LOT**. These are all areas that By-Law enforcement officers can assign tickets (\$\$\$).



No child Without...

Our school is involved in the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation's **No Child Without** program. There is no cost for students who attend our school and are between the ages of 4 up to their 14th birthday to join MedicAlert through this program. If your child has a medical condition, allergy or is required to take medication on a regular basis, then you should consider the program. A child's MedicAlert identification can alert school staff, friends, coaches and others about your child's medical condition should an emergency occur. For further information come to the office for a brochure to register or go to www.nochildwithout.ca for information. If your child is already part of the program and there have been changes, call MedicAlert at 1-800-668-1507 to update your child's file.

A Reminder... The school's neighbours have asked that parents who drop off/pick up students in the morning and after school do so without blocking the driveways of these homes. Cars parked on the roadway can also prevent the pick-up of garbage/recycling boxes. Please consider dropping off students on side streets and letting them cross with the crossing guard on Townsend Avenue in front of the school. There are **SIX** buses and **THREE** daycare vans that transport students home from Glenview at the end of the day. It is essential that the area where these BUS lines wait and the exit leading to the bus circle path not be blocked. Younger children can easily lose their bus line if confused by too many people in the vicinity. We also have Kindergarten students and their buddies waiting to board buses on the front lawn as well.

Birthday Celebrations

If you wish to include your child's classmates in the celebration of your child's birthday, please consider treats in the form of fancy pencils, book marks, etc. Due to a variety of food allergies within the school, we ask that edible treats not be sent to school for sharing. Thank you for your cooperation.

A FOCUS ON SAFETY

With Hallowe'en approaching, it is timely to ask for your cooperation in carefully monitoring the Hallowe'en candy that comes to school with your child. Many of these treats contain nut/peanuts or their by-products. It is very difficult to know what is in them as the printing is so small and the ingredients change every few months. Students are not to trade snacks with friends. Several of our students have life-threatening allergies to nut/peanut products. Their parents very much appreciate your understanding and cooperation. Thanks to our Glenview teachers who help prevent allergic reactions by reminding students not to trade food. We all work to keep everyone safe

MILK

Sales of chocolate and white are booming! Just to remind you - please don't order milk for Pizza Day and Sub Day if you have a long standing milk order.



COOKIES

Terra Cotta cookies have no traces of nut/peanut products. The low fat version sweetened with applesauce not sugar are available. They will be sold on Thursdays at the beginning of the second nutritional break (1:15) for 75 cents each.

Sub Days

Mrs. Lassman has kindly volunteered to be our Sub Day co-ordinator again this year. Sub days will normally be the 4th Friday of each month (with 1 or 2 exceptions).



Pizza Days

Welcome back to Mrs. Grafham, our pizza day coordinator. Pizza days will be held twice each month usually on the 2nd and 3rd Fridays. Milk and water will be available for purchase.



YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

The lunch supervision donation request forms have been sent out to families by the office. Tax receipts will be issued later this fall for donations over \$15.00. Thank you!

Lunch Supervisors

Once again, we would ask parents to consider becoming a lunchroom supervisor at Glenview. Supervisors are needed for both morning and afternoon nutrition breaks as well as relief supervisors in the event that one of our regular supervisors is absent. If you are interested in this **paid position**, please contact Mrs. Renton.

Bicycles, Skateboards, Scooters and Roller Blades

Students should dismount from bicycles and scooters, pick up skateboards and remove roller blades before coming onto the school grounds. They should wait until they are off school property before putting on roller blades or riding on their bicycles, scooters or skateboards.



Cross Country

We would like to congratulate the cross country runners for their incredible effort during our practices. The students have been working very hard to train these past several weeks.

The runners will be competing in the Cross Country Meet on Friday, October 3 at 10:00 a.m. at Sherwood Forest. Good luck to all the runners!



We ask students to wear Glenview colours on October 3rd, Glenview Spirit Day, in support of our Cross Country team.

INTERNATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK: The week of October 6th-10th is International Walk To School Week. Students will be encouraged to participate in this event sponsored by Green Communities Canada and Active and Safe Routes to School by trying to arrange ways to reduce reliance on motor vehicles for transportation and increase physical activity. For some this might mean parking the car a few blocks further away from Glenview and walking 2-3 extra blocks while others will strap on the walking shoes and leave the car at home. Last year, it was amazing to see how many 'Walking School Buses' emerged from this event. Neighbours arranged with neighbours to take turns walking children to school.

Councillor Rick Craven will be joining a Walking School Bus at Aldershot School's driveway (Fairwood Place West) on Wednesday, October 8th at 8:50 a.m. This group will continue along Fairwood, turning on Park Ave, make its way to LaSalle Park Drive at Townsend and then on to the school. Why not consider joining in?

A safety note for parents: Please remember that students are NOT to be at school before 8:50 a.m. There is no supervision before that time. If there are issues on the bus between your child and another, or with the driver, please direct your concerns to the school office. Parents are not to board the buses and attempt to resolve the problem. The school and the bus companies will work together to improve the situation.

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Any families who are cleaning out toy cupboards and would like to donate complete board games, decks of cards, chess sets etc. Donations to Glenview are appreciated.



Friday, September 26th Terry Fox QDF Activities...

On the 28th Anniversary of Terry Fox's run, Glenview students participated in QDF activities in honour of Terry. Students were asked to donate a looney each. Parents, guardians and grandparents were invited to participate in the event by walking, jogging or cheering the students on as they completed their laps. Thank you Ms. Wilson for organizing this event.



IT'S FALL AND TIME FOR BORDENBALL AT GLENVIEW!

We've had some great weather to start our intramural games for the Grades 5's and 6's. The Stampeders and The Rough Riders play in some fast, spirited, friendly competition. They'll be playing at afternoon breaks for the next three weeks.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Glenview has a rich tradition of operating with a very active and supportive School Council. The School Council advises the Principal on a variety of school issues, organizes many school events and raises funds to support our students. The first School Council Meeting for 2008-2009 will be October 14, 2008 in the library. All parents are invited to attend and assist in establishing the new school council for the 2008-2009 school year.

A BIG THANK YOU GOES TO THIS YEAR'S SCHOOL COUNCIL

On behalf of the entire school community (parents, teachers and students), we would like to thank the members of the Glenview School Council 2007-2008. Some members will not be returning this fall, so we would like to acknowledge the commitment, enthusiasm and support provided by all these parents in our school community. Special thanks go to Mr. Anthony Brugess, the Council Chair, for his leadership. The Executive will be reviewing the nominations returned for Council membership.

School Council Members for 2007-2008 were:

- Chair: Anthony Brugess
- Treasurer: Lynda Kaufmanis
- Communications: Karen Stringer-Janicijevic
- Secretary: Jill Randall
- Special Events: Karen Hogan, Leyland Brown
- Fundraising: Michelle Brugess, Sue Grafham, Terri_Ann Lassman
- Members at Large: Sam Lycklama, Cynthia Wilkins
- Staff Representative: Paul Thomson
- Principal: Brent Phillips



EQAO Results

Our students enjoy coming to school and being successful learners. There is a positive attitude within the students, staff and community and we are extremely proud. The strategies that have been used in the last few years are showing positive results and gains in student learning and achievement as measured through our Student Assessment Portfolios, in-class assessments, report cards and observations of daily work. This information continues to allow us to reflect on our practice, direct our resources and build on our effective school improvement plan.

The following are Glenview's 2007-2008 Grade 3 and Grade 6 results:

Grade 3

Reading - Glenview - 72

Halton - 67

Ontario - 61

Writing - Glenview - 67

Halton - 68

Ontario - 66

Mathematics - Glenview - 85

Halton - 71

Ontario - 68

Grade 6

Reading - Glenview 74

Halton 67

Ontario 66

Writing - Glenview 72

Halton - 68

Ontario - 67

Mathematics - Glenview - 68

Halton—64

Ontario - 61



During our PD Days, Staff Meetings, Grade Team Meetings, we will be digging into the results of our test scores to see exactly where we need to focus our efforts. We will be developing and implementing a plan to focus on specific reading and writing strategies. Over the course of the year, our staff will be participating in many learning opportunities that support our School Effectiveness Plan in the area of Literacy, Numeracy and Safety and Well-Being. Our goal is to continually improve upon our knowledge and application of best teaching practices so that we will continue to meet the needs of all Glenview learners.

Triple P is a positive parenting program that promotes good communication and strong relationships between parents and their children. "FREE" Positive Parenting Programs for parents will be presented by accredited Triple P practitioners in your community on the following dates:

Preteen and Teen Triple P Seminars for parents of youth aged 12-16 years
Burlington Central Library, 2331 New Street

Seminar 1: Raising Responsible Teenagers Date: September 18, 2008 Time: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	Seminar 2: Raising Competent Teenagers Date: October 9th, 2008 Time: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	Seminar 3: Getting Teenagers Connected Date: November 20, 2008 Time: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
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Triple P – Positive Parenting Group for parents of children 2-10 years
Burlington Ontario Early Years Centre (Lakeside Plaza), 5353 Lakeshore Rd., Burlington

Tuesday, Oct. 7, Oct. 14, Oct. 21, Oct. 28, Nov. 4th and November 25th
 (5 consecutive group sessions, two telephone consult weeks, Nov. 11th and Nov. 18th and a final group session)

To register call Halton Region Tel: 905-825-6000 Toll free: 1-866-4HALTON (1-866-442-5866)
 TTY: 905-827-9833 www.halton.ca accesshalton@halton.ca

Glenview Snack Program

...some food for thought



Welcome Back To Healthy Snacks!!

The Glenview Nutritious Snack Program will once again be offered at Glenview for this school year starting **October 14th**. We will once again be running the program on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays** at second nutrition break.

The program was very well received last year by students across all grades, as well as staff and parents. The organizing committee, as well as over 25 volunteer parents worked hard last year to provide a variety of fun and nutritious snack options to help promote healthy eating and provide an environment for all students to experience new foods and fun healthy snacks.

We hope to continue to provide some of the students favourite menu items from last year as well as introducing some new exciting menu options. All snacks are provided free of charge to every student in the school.

We are very fortunate again this year to receive some funding from Halton Food For Thought to get the program started for the school year. The Snack Program organizing committee will be looking for ways throughout this upcoming year to fund-raise or obtain donations to support the remaining cost of the program for the year.

And, of course, we are always looking for additional volunteers to help in many ways. You do not need to be at the school during the school day to be able to help in some capacity – there are various ways to help keep the program running. We are also in desperate need of food prep volunteers (a 1 ½ hour time commitment on a Tues or Wed). We can tailor your role to the time you have available (once/week, once every two weeks, once/month, etc) – please call Julie Thomson at (905) 637-3230 or e-mail at thomson.jl@pg.com if you are interested in helping.

OCTOBER MENU

	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
Week Of October 13 th	Whole wheat bagels with cheddar cheese slices, baby carrots	Apple slices, whole wheat crackers
Week Of October 20 th	Yogurt, pineapple slices or banana halves	Pitas with cream cheese, sliced cucumbers
Week Of October 27 th	Jam sandwich halves, baby carrots	Strawberries and mozzarella cheese cubes
** We expect to provide snacks according to our Snack Program Outline. At times changes may be necessary due to availability and the need to capitalize on sale items		



Breakfast Banana Split

This is a quick and fun recipe for kids that can be made in 5 minutes – perfect for the early morning rush!! 1 banana

Favourite flavour of yogurt

1 handful whole grain cereal flakes with cranberries and almonds

SPLIT 1 banana lengthwise. **TOP** with your favourite flavour of yogurt and 1 large handful whole grain cereal flakes with cranberries and almonds or raisins **ENJOY!!**

Gr. 6 Letters to Terry Fox...

Dear Terry,

I think you are an amazing person. You have inspired so many people, including me. You have helped me to see that I want to help people too. I think that you are truly great because you saved so many people from Cancer. You were so courageous, you fought through pain and tough times. I wish everyone had the positive attitude and kind spirit you had. You taught me to be the best that I can be, help others and most importantly, never give up. I admire what you have done for this country. You are a hero. I am Terry Fox.

Thank you,
Reid C.



Dear Terry,

You started a great thing with your run for Cancer. You know I wish you were fine and were still with us today. You are in our hearts and lives. You did the best you could. We appreciate it. You have taught me that people with disabilities can do amazing things.

Sincerely,
Connor C.

Dear Terry,

I wish that you were still here today. It must have been hard to lose your leg. When did you start to run? It must have taken a while to get ready for it. After all, you were trying to go all the way across the country. Did your prosthetic leg work very well? It was old, so it probably didn't. I have a \$1 coin with you on it. It's in my coin collection. I never really knew where the Terry Fox run started. I wish I did. Then I would actually go on it. Probably. If it isn't too early in the morning. I would go as far as I could. Yay! Anyway, you know you raised millions for the research for cancer. That's what you were running for. :your brother finished the run for you—which is sorta cool.

From,
Danielle L.

Dear Terry,

Everybody in Canada is very proud that you tried to find a cure for cancer. I wish you were still alive today. You will be happy to know that every September people around the world run or walk to find a cure for cancer. I bet we would know the cure for cancer if you were still alive today. You are like a hero to the world. Also, you are very brave to run so much. You must have gotten really tired, but that never stopped you from running. You will be very happy to know that since technology has advanced so many millions of people have survived from cancer. If only it was advanced back then.

Bye,
Zeeshan B.