

Glenwood Elementary School

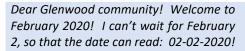
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Our website: https://elementary.sd42.ca/glenwood/

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February 2020 ❖ Newsletter #6





February's theme at Glenwood still centres around having an Awesome Attitude. February is also Kindness month, and we try to instill the value that Kindness is something that makes love visible. Students are constantly reminded to use their WITS and THINK before they speak. Kindness can be as small as one word, a "Please" or a "Thank you" and/or having that Attitude of Gratitude... and it will go a long way.

February 26, 2020 is Pink Shirt Day (https://www.pinkshirtday.ca) with the beautiful theme this year of the importance of "Lifting each other up". This is a simple, but powerful message, and it is encouraging us to look beyond our differences and celebrate the things that make us unique. When we lift each other up, we see beyond the things that separate us and see instead the things that unite us as people; we can see how

our differences beautiful. are Traditionally, Pink Shirt Day brings a focus to "anti-bullying". At Glenwood, we believe in equipping students with emotional resilience, empowering them to adapt to and overcome difficult situations. Resilient students also tend to persevere through all types of challenges even when being bullied. We make them feel at home, give them a sense of belonging, and foster healthy selfesteems. We encourage positive thinking, and teach students how to calm down, or self-regulate, in times when they feel frustrated or angry. Problem solving skills are imperative for success as an adult. I often ask students in my office "How do you want to be as an adult?"

We also want to welcome new staff members to our community. Mrs. Brett has taken over for Ms. Harris, who is on maternity leave, and Ms. O'Gorman has temporarily taken over for Ms. Jeang. We also welcome two new Education Assistants: Ms. Manyinder Sandhu and Ms. Jewel Harvey, who are replacing Ms. Marissa Higginson and Ms. Makyla Black (both also on maternity leave).

Grade 4 and 7 students worked on the MDI and soon will be participating, with staff and parents, on their Learning Surveys. The student led conferences are coming in March as well.

Kindergarten registration is well on its way, and we are starting to think about Glenwood's calendar for 2020-2021, as the <u>district calendar</u> has been shared for input.

Please, continue to refer to the Glenwood Website

(https://elementary.sd42.ca/glenwood/) and the Glenwood online calendar (https://elementary.sd42.ca/glenwood/) for updates.

Signed in kindness,

Ms. Brown (Principal)

Upcoming Calendar Events

February 1 – PAC Clothing Drive 11am – 3pm

February 4 - Assembly @ 11:15 am

February 4 -19 – Gr. 8 Registration (for Sep 2020*)

February 5-12 - General Kindergarten Registration *

February 7 - Carnival Colouring Contest due

February 7 – PAC Pizza by the slice \$2 (no pre-order)

February 11 & 12 - M.R. Fire Dept. visits Primary classes

February 12 – Spirit Day – "Rainbow Day" (wear your colours!)

February 13 & 14 - Non-Instructional Days - NO CLASSES

February 18 – PAC Meeting @ 6 pm in the Library

February 21 – PAC Sushi Lunch (orders due February 11)

February 26 - Pink Shirt Day

February 26 -Paint Night Fundraiser 6:00-8:30 pm

February 28 – PAC Pizza by the slice \$2 (no pre-order)

February 28 - Carnival Raffle Basket Donations due

Please refer to <u>Glenwood's website calendar</u>, and/or <u>SD42's</u> <u>calendar</u> for other important dates.

Grade 8 Registration

Grade 8 registrations for the 2020-21 school year will be done online through the Parent Portal.

Gr.8 Registration will open at 12:00 noon, **Tuesday, February 4, 2020.** All Grade 8 online registrations must be completed by midnight on February 19, 2020

Once online grade 8 registration closes, any <u>late</u> registrants must complete a paper registration form at their catchment school.

Grade 8 students new to the district (not on the Portal) register in person at the DEO Feb 4-19, 2020 (opens 12:00 noon). After the registration period ends, paper registration forms are done at their catchment school.

Parents will be notified of grade 8 placement prior to Spring Break.

Please visit https://www.sd42.ca/student-registration/ for more information.



Kindergarten Registration



Will your child be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2020 (born in 2015)? **Registration begins this month** and will be **available online only**. Parents can register from home or the Public Library.

Registration opens at <u>12:00 noon</u> on the first day of registration period and closes at midnight of that registration period's last day. Parents will be notified of their child's placement via email shortly after the registration phase ends.

If you missed the sibling registration phase – please register during the <u>GENERAL</u> Phase.

GENERAL RegistrationFebruary 5-12

LATE Registration......February 26-June 21

Visit: https://www.sd42.ca/kindergarten-registration/
today to learn more about the registration process, open your parent portal account and find your child's registration period.

Prior to registration ensure that you have created an account on the *Parent Portal* at https://parents.sd42.ca/

If you already have a student in School District No. 42, make sure that you have him/her linked to your account in order to register during the "Sibling Phase".

Reporting a Student Absences

If your child will be absent from school, **please inform the school office**. You can do this by one of three ways:

• Call: 604-463-6512

Email: <u>gl_reception@sd42.ca</u>
 Via Parent Portal: Report Absence

Parent Contact Information

If you have changed telephone numbers for your home, work or cell phone please let the school office know as soon as possible. We need to have up-to-date parent contact information for your child in the event of an emergency

Return Bottles to Support Gr. 7 Camp

Please help our Grade 7 class by returning your beverage containers to the Bottle Depot's Return It Express!

3 Easy Steps:

- 1. Bring unsorted containers in a clear plastic bag to any Express Location (there are 2 in Maple Ridge)
- 2. Use this phone number to log into the kiosk: 6044636512
- 3. Print your tags, tag your bags and leave it at the Depot



Our Grade 7 Camp Account gets credited! Thank You for your support!!

COUNSELLING CORNER

Why be kind? Why teach our children to be kind?

Kindness makes our brains happier....

It contributes to good health, diminishes the effect of physical and psychological illness, produces oxytocin which protects your heart and reduces inflammation, releases endorphins (your body's natural painkiller), improves emotional well-being, changes brain chemistry, slows down the aging process, improves relationships, elevates levels of dopamine (this equals increased happiness) and it is contagious!

"Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." Desmond Tutu



School District No. 42 is Hiring

The Maple Ridge - Pitt Meadows School District (SD42) is looking for qualified **Casual-On-Call Lunch Hour Supervisors**. For more information please visit our website: (www.sd42.ca and click on the careers tab)

Join us for our next **PAC Meeting** on **Tuesday, February 18**th @ **6 pm** in the Library

Keep in touch @ Glenwood PAC Facebook page