



## GLENVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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**On Track To Success!**

**Newsletter: 2020/21 – November 10, 2020**

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENTS</u>
November 9, 10	Remembrance Day Assemblies by Learning Groups
10	PAC Meeting by Zoom, 6:30 p.m.
13	PAC Hot Lunch from Subway
11	Remembrance Day Holiday—School is closed.
20	Non-instructional day; no school for students
30	Primary Report Writing Day—No school for students in Divisions 1 to 5, and the Grade 3's in Division 6
December 1 - 16	Written Communication of Student Learning sent home during this time
2	PAC Meeting by Zoom, 6:30 p.m.
18	Last day before Christmas vacation
January 4	Students return to school

### Winter Weather Policy

Generally, when the outside temperature is colder than -20 C, students will enter the building as soon as they arrive at school (please do not arrive earlier than 15 minutes before the bell) and will remain inside all day. They will remain in their classrooms unless directed to be somewhere else by the principal or by their teacher.

**Please note:** Temperature alone does not warrant an “in day” although the guideline that has been used for quite some time has been (-20). Taking into consideration the many factors of inclement weather such as wind, rain, particulate matter, snow and temperature, the principal or designate shall make the decision as to keeping the students indoors. Safety of the students is always a priority.

**Please also note:** On days when student attendance is reduced substantially because of cold or inclement weather conditions, or because travel is considered treacherous, regular scheduled instruction may be modified for those students who attend school. Instead, lessons may involve individual support with reading, writing, and math, catching up on assignments, or extra review. Individual bus runs may be cancelled for the day (morning and afternoon runs) because of dangerous road conditions. Cancellations will be announced on local radio and posted on “**My School Bus Monitor**” as soon as possible after the decision to cancel a run is made.

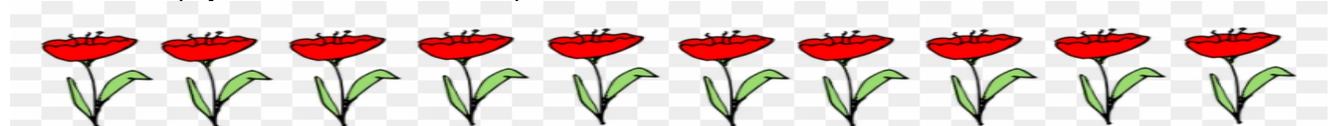
Please **dress your children for all kinds of weather**. As long as the temperature permits, children will be spending time outside each day. It is important that they have mitts, hats, warm boots, snowpants and warm jackets. Please check clothing each night to see if anything needs to be dried before being worn the next day. For inside, it is best to wear long-sleeved t-shirts, and to send along a hoodie or sweater, as well. Our furnaces do not always work as they should, and on windy days it can be quite cool in the building.

### Parents and visitors still not permitted in school at this time

Our CoVid-19 Health and Safety Plan, which matches the District's plan, does not permit parents and visitors in the school right now. Our doors are often propped open to permit staff and students to enter the school, but not for guests. Please be aware that meetings must currently be by telephone, by Zoom (video conferencing) and for important meetings, by appointment only. Our students and staff are organized into Learning Groups to reduce the number of contacts during the day, and to make things safer for all. When coming for an appointment, it is important that our visitors do a daily health check, sanitize their hands, sign in and out at the office, and if possible, wear a mask. When you come to the school to drop things off, or for a meeting, please note that we have a new doorbell at the entrance near the office, at the back of the school.

### Parents, please continue to physical distance from the students outside

Parents, we are trying to limit contact for our staff and our students by having staggered outside breaks and staggered lunch hours. We are not able to stagger the start and end of school due to our buses. If possible, please drop your child off in the parking lot, and let them walk to the school alone. Supervisors will help them get to their line-ups. If you must walk your child to the line-up, please keep 6 feet back from all of the students. Remember to physical distance from other parents, too!



## **Remembrance Day Assemblies**

This week our Remembrance Day Assemblies have taken place by Learning Group. Monday at 10:45 the assembly was for Divisions 1, 2, and 3. Monday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. it was the turn of Divisions 4 and 5. Tuesday morning was Divisions 10 and 11, and Tuesday afternoon, the final assembly was for Divisions 8 and 9. Divisions 6 and 7 formed the choir for this event. They are in the same Learning Group, so they were able to perform together, with masks on for the singing portion. Speakers for the assemblies were Lily P., Tiara B. and Mataya C. in Division 10 and Hunter F. in Division 11. Several Leadership students formed the set up and AV crew: Ivy F. in Division 11 and Roselyn C., Serenity P. and Kyra S. in Division 10. Thanks to them for setting up and taking down four times, and to Sydney D. in Division 10 for filling in at the last moment in the first assembly as one of the speakers. The focus was on how each of us can make a difference in the world by helping to promote peace through being kind and caring, and by using our words to solve conflicts rather than our fists. We had two minutes of silence to honour those who are currently serving, and those who have served in the past to keep us safe. Everyone was given a poppy to wear at the assembly, compliments of the Canadian Legion. This was the first assembly this year for our school, and the first ever for our kindergarten students; they were so attentive!

## **Halloween Costume Parade on Zoom**

Every year, Glenview has a big costume parade in the gym for Halloween. Halloween music is played over the speakers, while each class gets up and walks around showing us their costumes. This year, at the very beginning of September, a student told us they were already planning what they would wear for the costume parade. We decided it was important for us to still have fun while following all of the CoVid protocols. On October 30, we had each class, by Learning Group, come to the gym, and walk by the camera on the laptop, waving at the students in the classrooms. Classes circled the gym twice and then headed back to their classrooms to watch the event virtually. It took a half hour for all of the classes to complete the parade. In many classes, we had 100% participation in wearing costumes, by staff and students alike. It was so enjoyable to see the creativity and engagement of everyone! Our Leadership students are planning more special days. We hope we have the same level of participation!

## **Leadership at Glenview**

Mr. Hadfield is sponsoring Student Leadership for Division 10 and 11 students this year. The Leadership students meet each Tuesday morning in Mr. Hadfield's portable. They have formed various committees, including the Yearbook Committee, and the Remembrance Day Committee. There is also the Pajama Day Committee, Board Game Day Committee, etc. They are planning special events for the school, and assisting with advertising, photos, set up and take down, finding staff supporters for their events, etc. Thanks to Mr. Scheck for supervising the students who are not in Leadership, while the other students are meeting, and to Mr. Hadfield for hosting Leadership.

## **PAC Meetings by Zoom**

Our Parent Advisory Council meets virtually on the second Tuesday of the month, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting app that is being used is Zoom. This app will work on your computer or on your phone. You can use the video option, or you can just phone in to a toll free number in Canada. The downside of the phone in option is that you won't be able to view any documents that are presented.

You can download the free version of the app, you do not need a paid subscription. If you have problems getting started with the app, call the school or contact the PAC by e-mail: [glenviewpac@gmail.com](mailto:glenviewpac@gmail.com). The November meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. The December meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Try joining about 10 minutes early in case you have trouble logging in. You can login by using the following link, <https://zoom.us/j/98574674435?pwd=Sk5mc2VHQmM2azNIZi96MmRiakgvUT09>; or, if you prefer, once you have the app downloaded, click on Join Meeting, then enter the meeting ID: 985 7467 4435. Type in your name, and then when prompted, enter the passcode: Glen#9669. Make sure you join with computer audio. You can mute yourself when you join and you can turn your video on or off, depending on whether you want people to be able to see you or not.

## **Salvation Army Food Hampers**

The Salvation Army is not taking or delivering food hampers this Christmas. Instead, they are asking for cash donations. We will confirm with them the best way to give, and pass the information along to you. Glenview has always given generously to the needy families at Christmas, and even though it might look different this year, we want to continue the tradition.

## **Winners**

Our Turkey Trot winners of the Thanksgiving pumpkin pies were: Claire, Div. 1; Olivia, Div. 2; Jordyn, Div. 3; Zaine, Div. 4; Kaylee, Div. 5; Karissa, Div. 6; Emma, Div. 7; Hunter, Div. 8; Zoey, Div. 9; Kaylee, Div. 10, and Madalynn, Div. 11. Gift Certificates for Save On Foods were won by Sandra, Div. 8 and Olivia, Div. 4. Winners of the candy jars for correctly guessing the Principal's age were Pierce, Div. 7 and Jevaugh, Div. 11. Way to go!