



Glen Ridge News



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Principal's Message....

It is very difficult to believe that the 2010-2011 school year is almost over and summer vacation is just around the corner! For us, the spring term has passed by quickly, due to our involvement in the many academic, athletic and artistic activities provided for our students.

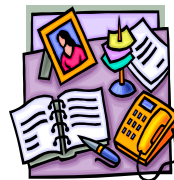
The month of June brings much anticipation for all members of our school. We look forward to year end activities, warm, fun filled summer holidays, cool, clear pools, cottage fun and family outings. It is also a time of celebration for our students as we celebrate successes with graduation, final term reports and promotion to the next grade level.

A sincere thank you is extended to our parents for their co-operation and support. This support helps to ensure that Glen Ridge continues to be a vibrant school where all students learn to the best of their ability.

If you would like to join our parent team and become a voice for your child, your school, your community, please join us on Wednesday June 22nd for our school council elections. New parents are always welcome.

Educationally yours,

B. Harley,
Principal



A Glance Ahead to September 2011...

Office Open	Aug. 29
1st Day of School	Sept. 6
School Photos	Sept. 26
Meet the Teacher Barbeque	Sept. 21

Important Dates 2011/12

- September 6: 1st Day of School
- September 23: Early Release Day
- October 5: World Teachers' Day
- October 7: PA Day
- October 10: Thanksgiving Day
- November 11: Remembrance Day
- December 26 - January 6: Winter Holiday Break
- January 20: PA Day
- February 2: Kindergarten Open House 4-6
- February 20: Family Day
- March 9-16: March Break
- April 6: Good Friday
- April 9: Easter Monday
- May 18: PA Day
- May 21: Victoria Day
- June 8: PA Day
- June 28: Last Day of School



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Y Daycare ...

Daycare is still available after school (3:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.) Monday through Friday. Our daycare is growing. If you need or know of any family living within the Glen Ridge boundary who require day care, please have them contact the school at 905-685-9586, or call Loretta Kooter at 905-646-9622. Note: she will be available throughout the summer for your assistance.

We are only a couple of students away from offering full day day care.

Glen Ridge School Fun Fair ...

Plans are currently scheduled for June 8, 2011. This event is great fun for the whole family, so please plan to join us! Thanks to Mrs. E. Jenkins for organizing a terrific bake table!

Order forms have gone home food orders. If you did not receive one, please contact the school at 905-685-9586.

Classroom Organization ...

During June, we will be working to organize our staff and classes for September. While we can't provide the whole picture, the following is a "draft" for next year.

Y Daycare	Room 1	
JK/SK	Room 2	Mrs. Robillard
Grade 1/2	Room 3	Mr. Neufeld
Grade 2/3	Room 4	Mrs. Boccinfuso
Grade 3	Room 8	Miss Meesters
Grade 4/5	Room 6	Mr. Spagunolo / Mme Anderson
Grade 5/6	Room 7	Mrs. Pohorly
French/Prep.		Mme Anderson
Principal		Mr. Harley
LRT		Mr. Paprosky
Prep. Coverage		Mrs. Culp
Administrative Assistant		Ms. Izzo
Youth Counsellor		Mrs. Rossi
EA		Ms. Pace
Custodian		Mr. Bowman
Night Custodian		T.B.A.

Kindergarten Registration ...

We are hoping that everyone has now registered for Junior or Senior Kindergarten for next September. To be eligible for Junior Kindergarten, your child must be turning four years of age by December 31st of this year; for Senior Kindergarten, age five by December 31st. If you haven't registered your child, please call the school today.

Library News ...

It is now time to check under the beds and in the closets for books that may be hiding. Please return any "found" library books, no questions asked, with your child as soon as possible. Our library will "officially" close June 9th, 2011 to allow for our inventory to be completed. We would like to take this opportunity to once again, thank Mrs. Loucks, and Mrs. G. Voelkner for keeping our library so organized for us all year.



Graduation ...

Our grade 6 students and their families will celebrate graduation on Thursday June 23, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. More information regarding graduation will follow for those students involved.



Are you Moving???

Should you be planning a move over the summer which will mean a change of school for your child, please let the office know as soon as possible. This information is needed to accurately establish numbers for our 2011-2012 classes. We would also be pleased to assist you with any "new school" arrangements that need to be made.

DSBN Elementary Music Program ...

Do you want to learn to play a musical instrument? Register now to join us in September 2011 for a school year of musical fun and learning! Forms are available on the website www.freewebs.com/niagramusic. Hurry and enroll to receive the "early bird special" rate!



Parent Council

... Mrs. Neilson

Hello Folks! June is here and the time has come to say good bye to yet another school year. We've had some very successful fundraisers this year. The first one being the Artisan Show, the Poinsettias & Macmillan Cookie Doug, and the Spring Social/ Silent Auction.

A huge thank you to all our supporting parents who made this year so great for our children! Give yourselves a pat on the back!!!!

The Annual Fun Fair is set for June 8th! This year we will be changing it up a bit and setting the theme as a "FUN FAIR" (a big thank you for such a great year!!). Tony Rupnik has offered to take care of the bbq and Elaine Jenkins will organize the bake table. If you would like to help out in any way please contact Ms. Izzo at the school office. We will need some volunteers to help the day of the fun fair so please let the school know when you can come out. "Many hands make light work".

Remember to bring a non-perishable food donation towards community care and receive a ticket to dunk that favorite teacher/principal in the dunk tank!!!!

Take care and see you next year!!!

Scrapbooking Club

...Mrs. Boccinfuso

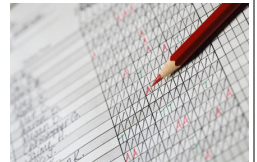
Scrapbooking club is coming to an end. During our sessions together we made a pop out mini album, an explosion card and decorated canvases. Members of the club are Amelia D., Emma J., Matija S., Alex C., Abbey C., Alana K., Eden S., Ryann S. and Elisabeth I. Thanks to Mrs. Anderson for her help with the club.

Thank you Volunteers ...

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who volunteers at Glen Ridge Public School. There are so many ways that parents have gotten involved in helping our students. Whether you drive to activities or chaperone trips, you are making a significant contribution. We would like to thank those parents who have made a year long commitment to serve on School Council, and those who have helped plan the various fund raising activities. Their hard work and support have resulted in many resources for the school like: computers, literacy materials, special presentations, trips and much more. A big "grizzly hug" to you from the staff and students.

Report Cards ...

Final June report cards will be distributed Monday, June 27, 2011 to enable you to return page 3 of the report card to your child's teacher on Wednesday, June 29 which is the last day of school. Please remember that page 3 of the report card is part of the official record of your child's progress. We'll be sure it gets into your child's O.S.R. file.



Summer Advantage ...

DO YOU HAVE YOUR "SUMMER ADVANTAGE" book YET!

There is still time to get your "Summer Advantage" book. This 192 page, fully coloured, activity book is designed to maintain children's academic learning over the summer months. ***There is one activity book per grade level from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 7.*** Each grade level book contains major units aligned with the Ontario curriculum expectations and 3 summer fun units. The books have parent information pages, evaluation forms; follow up activities and a family focus. In addition to the summer the books can be used all year long from September to the following June. The cost of each book is \$19.05 plus GST. This is a savings of \$1-\$4 from the retail and online prices. You can visit www.summeradvantage.ca to download a free unit of the book you would like to order for further review.

Bonus: with all books orders, Summer Advantage will provide attraction discount coupons to numerous attractions including Wonderland, the CN Tower, Ontario Place, Medieval Times, Wild Water Kingdom, Wings of Paradise, Centreville, South Simcoe Railway, Pucks farm, Zooz, Bowmanville Zoo the Hamilton Civic Museums and more. *(Book orders and attraction coupons will be delivered to your child's classroom before the end of the school year.)*

Primary Division

...Mr. Neufeld

The primary division, including the kindergarten children are raising Painted Lady Butterflies in their classrooms. They will be studying the development of the caterpillars up until the final emergence of the adult butterfly. The investigation will conclude with a trip to the Butterfly Conservatory later in June.

Author Unknown ...

I tried to teach my child with books;
He gave me only puzzled looks.
I tried to teach my child with words;
They passed him by often unheard.

Despairingly, I turned aside;
"How shall I teach this child?" I cried.
Into my hand he put the key;
"Come," he said, "And play with me."

Behaviour Problems in Children and Adolescents

"Nobody's perfect and all children have bouts of bad behaviour. They may have temper tantrums, or talk back to their parents or teachers. When things start to get out of hand, however, it may be a clue that something in the child's or teen's life needs attention". *"The Oxford Center for Child Studies"*

Children misbehave for a wide variety of reasons. Life events such as divorce, death, financial stress, or bullying can put a tremendous amount of stress on a child. Children need reassurance and extra care to help them through these stressful times.

Misbehaviour can also be a sign of other things such as childhood depression, A.D.H.D., or Conduct Disorders. In cases like these, medical attention is necessary.

Good communication with your child's school is also important. Teachers can pay extra attention to a child if they know the child is experiencing an especially difficult time. Do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher.

If problems persist for long and are starting to interfere with your child's relationships or grades, don't hesitate to go for help. Each school has a Youth Counsellor and they can provide support for your child at school.

Your family doctor can be a great resource and starting point. There are also other resources in Niagara for assessment, counseling, and referrals.

Contact Niagara—Telephone assessment and referral for counseling: 905-684-3407

Child and Adolescent Crisis Services—Telephone counseling service for crisis situations 24 hours 1-800-263-4944.

Outpatient Mental Health Niagara Health System—Child and Adolescent Mental Health System: 905-378-4647 ext. 46573

Web Resources: www.knowledge.offfordcentre.com www.caringforkids.cps.ca/behavior

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 <i>Last Scrapbooking Club</i>	2 EQAO ... EQAO ... EQAO	3
6 <i>Media Awareness</i>	7 EQAO ... EQAO ... EQAO	8 <i>Fun Fair</i>	9	10 <i>P.A. Day—No School</i>
13	14	15	16	17
		Camp Wanakita—Grade 6's		
20	21	22 <i>School Council—6:30 p.m.</i> ELECTIONS	23 <i>Grade 6 Graduation</i> 5:30—Picture 6:00—ceremony	24
27 <i>Report Cards Home</i>	28	29 <i>Last Day for Students</i>	30 <i>P.A. Day—No School</i>	