



Glen Ridge News



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Principal's Message....

Welcome back! I hope that everyone had a relaxing summer and that everyone is ready for another exciting year of learning.

The staff at Glen Ridge are excited about the opportunities that are in place for your children to learn to the best of their abilities. As in the past, we at Glen Ridge will continue the tradition of high academic standards within a positive learning environment.

We would like to invite all of our parents to get involved at Glen Ridge. This is your school and consequently your support and participation is vital for your children to have the best opportunities to be successful.

I look forward to working with you this year as we prepare your children for the challenges that lie ahead.

Educationally yours,

B. Harley
Principal



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Character Trait for September ...Co-operation



Glen Ridge Staff 2009—2010

Mr. B. Harley	Principal
Mrs. R. Izzo	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. S. Robillard	JK/SK
Mr. D. Neufeld	Grade 1 a.m.
Mrs. C. Willey	Grade 1 p.m.
Mrs. J. Boccinfuso	Grade 2
Miss C. James	Educational Assistant
Ms C. Meesters	Grade 3
Mrs. P. Alcox	Grade 4/5
Mrs. B. Pohorly	Grade 6
Mr. D. Purdie	French / Prep. Coverage
Mrs. L. Fucile	L.R.T.
Mrs. P. Alcox	Literacy Coach
Mr. M. Meger	Prep. Coverage
Mrs. M. Culp	Prep. Coverage
Mrs. T. Rossi	Youth Counsellor
T.B.A.	Lunch Supervisor
Mr. M. Bowman	Head Caretaker
Mr. G. Trelford	Night Caretaker

Crossing Guard Times ...

Our crossing guard, Diane, will be on duty at the following times at the intersection of South Drive and Ridgewood Road:

8:30—8:55 a.m.

11:40—12:00 noon

12:25—12:45 p.m.

3:30—4:00 p.m.



Child Care ...

There has been several requests from families for before and after school care. If you know of anyone in the school area, that provides before and after school care, please contact the office and pass on their name and phone number.

Welcome Back Barbeque ...



Our annual Welcome Back BBQ will be held on Wednesday, September 23rd from 5:00—6:30 p.m. An information sheet and order form is attached. As in previous years, we will have pre-ordering of tickets for hot dogs and drinks. This makes the lines shorter and move quicker. *Please return your family's order with your oldest child* to your child's teacher no later than Thursday September 17, 2008. Also, we are pleased to offer trans fat free & peanut free ice cream treats as well, the cost is \$1.00.

To make our menu a little more healthy and adult friendly, salads will also be available. We do ask that any salad donations be nut-free as well.

Reserve this night to come out and meet your child's teacher and the rest of the staff.

Bell Times ...



	ENTRY	8:45 a.m.
Period 1		8:50 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.
Period 2		9:40 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
	RECESS	10:30 a.m.—10:45 a.m.
Period 3		10:45 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.
	LUNCH	11:40 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.
Period 4		12:45 p.m. - 1:35 p.m.
Period 5		1:35 p.m. - 2:25 p.m.
	RECESS	2:25 p.m.—2:40 p.m.
Period 6		2:40 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
	DISMISSAL	3:30 p.m.

Artisan Show ...

This year we have a fantastic array of artisans, featuring unique items for every taste and budget.

Admission \$2.00, grade 6 and under free. Contact Manisha Solomon at 905-397-4318 to volunteer or to exhibit.

School Council ...

Welcome back to all of our parents, volunteers and community members. Summer has gone by so quickly. We have some great upcoming events, some that are new and exciting.

September events include: the first School Advisory Council Meeting of the year to be held on Monday September 14, 2009 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Our parent council is a group of dedicated parents, community members and school staff, who are eager to make the experience for the students at Glen Ridge fun, happy and full of opportunities, so please consider joining us at our meetings. The first ever Glen Ridge Artisan Show will be held on Saturday September 19, 2009, more information to follow. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please email glenridgeartisans@gmail.com

Thank you all for your continued support of Glen Ridge Public School.

Jen Cawood-Fleury
Chair

Hot Weather...

This has been a very hot start to our school year.

Please make sure that your daughter / son are prepared to stay safe at school. Hats, sunscreen and lots of water are all helpful to allow your children to be able to enjoy the out of doors.

Also, to help our students "beat the heat" we will be offering cold treats in the very near future. Chapmans Ice Cream and McNab Distributing, the suppliers of our milk program, have frozen yogurt and fudge flavoured ice milk on a stick that we will be selling. Both products will cost \$1.00 and are trans fat and peanut free. Both will be available after lunch starting Thursday September 10, 2008.

A tasty way to "beat the heat".

Medication at School ...



As outlined in the District School Board of Niagara policy, staff members are ***not permitted*** to administer medication to students without a written request by parents and a physician's authorization indicating the name, dosage, frequency, time and method of administration of the drug. Forms are available at the office.

Cross Country ...

Mrs. Robillard

Students interested in joining the cross-country team are to meet Mrs. Robillard at the back of the school on Monday September 14th at 3:30. The students will run every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 3:30. The team will run 4 laps around the school sidewalks. Students in Grades 3 to 6 are able to join the Cross-Country team. Grade 2 students are invited to join the Cross-Country team for experience but will not be able to attend the Cross-Country meets. Additional information regarding specific dates will follow.

Dress Code ...

We would like to remind parents and students at both the primary and junior levels of the dress code that was established by the Glen Ridge School Council:

Students at Glen Ridge School are expected to be dressed appropriately in order to reflect the sense of pride that students and parents have in the school.

We request discretion in the choice of t-shirts and clothes, particularly in hot weather. Crop tops, short shorts, mesh tops, muscle shirts and other clothing thought to be inappropriate will not be permitted. Straps must be at least three fingers wide and messages on t-shirts must be respectful. Students are not permitted to wear hats indoors.

Students who come to school dressed inappropriately will be asked to change.



Terry Fox Run ...



Our ninth annual Terry Fox Run will be held on Thursday September 24th. This year we are taking "the walk" to Burgoyne Woods where the Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6's will walk to help raise \$ for the Terry Fox Foundation and Cancer Research. After the walk the students will enjoy a pizza lunch—consisting of 2 pieces of pizza, water and a frozen snack. Please note all products will be nut free. The JK/SK students are participating with their activities being held at the school. More information for the JK/SK's will follow.

Pledge forms for this important event, will be sent home in the near future.

Student Absences/Lates ...

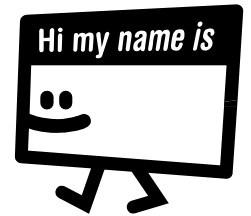


If your child is going to be late or absent from school, we would appreciate it if you would call the school at (905) 685-9586 and notify Mrs. Izzo in the office. Our answering machine is always on if you are calling outside of regular school hours. If your child arrives at school after the morning bell at 8:45 a.m., please remind them to come directly to the office to sign in before going to the classroom. This ensures the office will catch all late students and a phone call home won't be made in error.



School Visitors ...

All school visitors are expected to report to the office. If a child is being picked up for an appointment, please report and wait at the office. If you are one of our valuable volunteers, we ask that you sign in the binder on the front counter in the office and take a volunteer tag. Parents picking up their children at lunch or after school are asked to wait outside. Your co-operation in this matter minimizes disruption to the classroom instructional program.



It is also important for children to develop independence and responsibility for themselves and their belongings. By waiting outside for your children, they will then become responsible to get ready to go home with the necessary school items. These measures are for the safety and security of all of our students. Please recognize our concern if we do stop and question you.

Accidents Can Happen ...

Is your child insured for medical or dental costs in case of an accidental injury? The District School Board of Niagara does not provide medical payment coverage for students. If you have no other coverage it is important that parents/guardians purchase this coverage to ensure that medical or dental costs are covered in case of accident. Reliable Life Student Accident Insurance forms have been provided to each student to assist you in getting coverage.

Nut Allergies ...



Again this year, we have students in our school who have severe allergies to nuts. Due to the life threatening nature of this food allergy, we would like to keep any potential risk to an absolute minimum.

For the continued safety of these children, we respectfully request that no food containing nuts or nut by-products be sent to school with your child.

We consider the safety of all our students a top priority and we feel confident that you will understand the serious nature of this request. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Milk Program / World Milk Day ...

Students will be able to purchase milk at lunch for \$1.00. White and chocolate milk will be available.

On Wednesday September 30, all students at Glen Ridge Public School will receive a free milk, compliments of the Ontario dairy industry. The milk will be delivered to the school, and distributed during our lunch hour.



Lunchroom Supervisor ...

Glen Ridge Public School is searching for a lunchroom supervisor for this school year. Please submit applications to the school office if you are interested. You will be notified of interview dates.



Computer Headphones ...

For sanitary reasons, every student is expected to supply their own personal headphones for their use in the computer lab. These headphones can be purchased at most local dollar stores. They will be maintained in a personalized zip lock bag for each student.

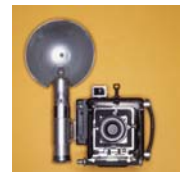
Soccer ...

Ms Meesters

The co-ed Junior Soccer Team has already begun try-outs this week. All grade 3-6 students wishing to try-out should see Ms. Meesters or Mrs. Pohorly. Try-outs will be held next Tuesday and Wednesday morning (7:45 a.m). By then we hope to have the team picked so that we are ready for our first game coming up the week of September 21st.

Picture Day ...

School photographs will be taken by Edge Imaging Photography on Monday September 21, 2009. This is a "family approval" package, so once photos are processed, a package will be sent home to you and you can purchase any or all of it as per the instructions on the package.



Lost and Found ...

Let's be sure to start off the school year on the right foot. Please identify your child's clothing, outwear, lunch bag and back packs. It only takes a moment to write the name or initials (with permanent marker) on all items. All items that are identified are returned on a regular basis. Last year, Glen Ridge School generously donated several large bags of quality clothing, footwear and lunch bags to local charities. Please encourage your children to be responsible and assist them with the identification of their belongings.



Did You Receive Everything? ...

All students should have brought home these items the 1st week of school:

1. Preprinted Student Information Form—to be checked, corrected if necessary, signed by parent and returned last Friday.
2. Nettiquette form
3. Student Accident Insurance Brochure
4. Meet the teacher BBQ order form

If you did not receive any of these items, additional forms are available from the office.



September 2009

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2	3	4
7	8 <i>First Day of School</i>	9	10	11 <i>Forms due back to School</i> 
14 <i>School Council—6:30 p.m.</i> 	15	16 <i>BBQ Orders Due back to School</i>	17	18
21 <i>School Photos Soccer begins</i> 	22	23 <i>Meet the Teacher BBQ 5:30—7:30 p.m.</i> 	24 <i>Terry Fox School Run</i>	25 <i>Early Release Day No School p.m.</i>
28	29	30 <i>World Milk Day Sub Lunch</i> 		



WELCOME BACK BARBEQUE ORDER FORM

Our annual Welcome Back Barbeque will be held on Wednesday, September 23rd, 2009 from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. on the school playground.

To help us with estimating the supplies we will need for our barbeque, we ask each family to return an order form ***even if you are unable to attend.***

Classrooms will not be open for visitation during this evening.

Please return your order form by **Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 16TH.**

Sincerely,
The Glen Ridge Staff

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The _____ family will have _____ members at the Glen Ridge Welcome Back Barbeque. Our oldest child is _____ in home room _____.

Our order is:

_____	hotdogs (all beef) at \$1.50 each	=	_____
_____	cartons of white milk at \$1.00 each	=	_____
_____	cartons of chocolate milk at \$1.00 each	=	_____
_____	bottles of water at \$1.00 each	=	_____
	TOTAL (please enclose payment)	\$	_____

Tickets for your order will be available for pick-up by family name the evening of the barbeque.

Salads have been added to make our menu a little more healthy and adult-friendly. However, we do ask that ***ANY FOOD PRODUCTS BE NUT-FREE.***

I can make a large _____ salad to donate for the barbeque. (Please send salad servers as well.)

Parent's Name: _____

Phone _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION.
----- Paper plates, napkins and plastic forks will be provided. -----