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Newsletter - June 2014



Class lists will be posted on Friday, August 29. This information is not released in June as there might be changes before September.

On Monday, May 12th, Glen Williams hosted a Volunteer Tea in appreciation of all the community members who contribute to the learning environment of our school. Research supports the value of volunteer work in schools and the many forms it can take. The staff and students greatly appreciate the time and effort people give to our school. Many thanks to Mrs. Knighton for organizing the event and to all of the staff who contributed food, time and energy.

Thanks to Mrs. Milne for coordinating the musical performances.

Reading Ideas

Children's Laureate, Shirley Lewis, recommends:



Funny Picture Books

Bill & Pete by Tomie De Paola

Bill the crocodile and his bird friend Pete, foil a would-be bad guy on the River Nile.

Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes

Chrysanthemum the mouse just loves her name - until she gets to school and the kids start to tease her. Will she wilt, or revive?

Fortunately by Remy Charlip

When a boy is invited to a birthday party, he sets off on an adventure that has both Fortunate and Unfortunate events in alternating sequences.

Helga's Dowry by Tomie De Paola

When Helga sets out into the world to earn enough to pay the dowry for her marriage to handsome but selfish Lars, things turn out very differently than she expects.

V. Cundari - Principal

Report Cards

Term 2 Report Cards will be sent home on Thursday, June 26th. Please make sure that page 3/4 (tear off portion) of the report is signed and returned to school on Friday, June 27th. It is a requirement that the third page of the report be filed in each student's O.S.R.

Your efforts to support us are greatly appreciated.



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GLEN WILLIAMS RETIREMENTS

On behalf of the staff, students and community, congratulations to Mrs. MacKenzie on a successful career as an Educational Assistant with the Halton District School Board. Her dedication to the students she has worked with is unparalleled. We wish her all the best on her retirement.



On behalf of the staff, students and community congratulations to Mrs. Longworth on a successful career as a teacher with the Halton District School Board. Her dedication to the students she has instructed over four decades is worthy of honorable mention. We wish her all the best on her retirement.





Last Day of School - Early Dismissal

The last day of school for students will be Friday, June 27, 2014.

Dismissal will be at 1:05 p.m. (90 minutes early).

Busses will run to accommodate this change.



As we approach the end of the year, our Lost and Found box continues to fill with misplaced articles of clothing. We will place these articles on tables in front of the office during the final week of school (June 23rd to 27th). Please have a look to see if any of the articles belong to your child (children). Items not claimed by the last day of school will be bagged and sent to a charity.

Bike Safety

Students in grades 3-5 who ride bikes to school are reminded to wear a helmet. Not only is it safe, it is the law. Students are to dismount their bikes when they reach school property and walk the bikes along the path to the bicycle rack where the bikes are to be locked up.



Summer weather has arrived. Students are reminded to wear appropriate clothing and apply sunscreen that offers protection from the sun. Shoulders, faces and midsections are especially vulnerable and need to be protected.

Tribes Agreements

APPRECIATION/NO PUTDOWNS – This particular agreement allows you to treat others kindly; to state appreciation for unique qualities, gifts, skills and contributions; to avoid negative remarks, name-calling, hurtful gestures and behaviours.

Canada Day



The village of Glen Williams will once again be hosting a celebration of Canada Day on Tuesday, July 1st this year. There will be many activities for children and parents. Members of the community are encouraged to decorate their homes to show support for our country's birthday. Everyone is encouraged to support the "Duck Race".



Full Day Kindergarten Orientation Evening

We held our second Kindergarten Orientation evening on May 27th with a format that allowed our students to attend with their parents. We really enjoyed being able to meet our future Glen Williams students, and were pleased with how many families and students attended the evening! We hope that this new format will enable our new students to feel more comfortable with their start at school. We are also very excited about the start of the Full Day Kindergarten Program in September!

Movie Night



The final Glen Williams movie night of this year will take place on Friday, June 20th. Come out with your family and enjoy a great evening. Participants will have an opportunity to enjoy pizza and other food at 6:00 p.m. before they settle in to watch the movie, "The Lego Movie". Students are encouraged to bring sleeping bags and pillows to create a cozy viewing area. Order forms will be sent home soon.

The Halton Region Health Department Periods of Exclusion

Children with diseases should remain at home and away from others. Please refer to the information posted at www.halton.ca

For example: Pink-eye, bacterial (conjunctivitis): Period of Exclusion: Until the antibiotic prescribed by a doctor has been taken for at least one full day (24 hours from the time the child receives the initial drops).

Fifth's Disease (parvovirus): Period of Exclusion: No exclusion. Children well enough to participate in all activities can attend school.

Another great website for this type of information is caringforkids.cps.ca

Library News

The Library needs your help!

The last day of Library circulation is **June 13th**.

Please make sure that all of your library books are returned by this date.

If you can't find your library book, please send a note to your child's teacher who will then forward it accordingly. Please indicate what you think has happened to the missing book.





Parent Council Meeting

Everyone is cordially invited to our June Parent Council meeting. We will be meeting on Tuesday, June 3 at 6:30 at The St. George Pub .

Year End BBQ

The annual Glen Williams Family BBQ will be here before you know it.

Please mark your calendar with the following date: Thursday, June 5.

More information will be sent home closer to the date.

Please Note: food (BBQ) and drinks will be available for purchase between 5:00pm and 8:00pm.



Learning Skills and Work Habits

As we all know, Learning Skills are an integral part of student achievement. One of the six learning skills on the Progress Report Card and the Provincial Report Card is Responsibility.

Each classroom has a poster and teachers speak to it and students can access it to remind themselves of what they can do to demonstrate this skill to their teachers.



Here is what is posted in each classroom:

I will work hard to get my work done.

I will do my best work.

I will return homework and notes on time.

Reading Strategies

Here is the last set of reading strategies that are part of the All Star Reading concept. Share/try these to help support your child's literacy skills (if appropriate).

Move on: This strategy encourages the student to use the context of the print passage to help uncover/decode unknown words. If a student stops at a particular word while reading a passage they should be encouraged to skip the unknown word and "move on" through the passage, thereby allowing the context of the print to prompt prediction for the unknown word. The passage is then re-read to confirm. If the student has some phonetic skills, they could be encouraged to sound out what they know before they move-on.

Give me a clue: When encountering an unknown word the student can ask for a clue. The coach would respond with either a language clue, such as "it means the same as..." or "it rhymes with..."

Give it a Go! Make a good guess! This strategy simply encourages good guessing. Coaches can prompt good guessing with statements such as "What do you think would fit there?" or "Does that make sense?"





Talent Show

We will be hosting our Glen Williams Talent Show on Tuesday, June 24 at 10:45am for Grade two to five students. The show will be held in the school gym.

Auditions will take place during the music classes until Wednesday, June 18.

Please contact Mrs. Milne at milneb@hdsb.ca if you have any questions.

Family and friends are welcome to attend the show.



Moving???

If you know you'll be moving over the summer and your son or daughter will not be returning to Glen Williams for the September 2014-2015 school year, please contact Mrs. Doraty at school. We will soon be organizing for next year and this information will help us.



Centennial Open House

Centennial Middle School is hosting an Open House for the parents of our grade-five students who will be attending there in September.

The Open House is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 11th at 6:00 p.m.**

As a part of the transition process to the senior setting, our students had the opportunity to visit and tour Centennial on May 21 with their class.

Track and Field

The track and field team from grades 3, 4 and 5 have the opportunity to compete at Craig Kielburger School on Wednesday June 4. At this track and field meet the students will be competing against other schools from the north. Events include: 400m, 200m, 100m, 75m, running long jump and ball throw.



Resources to Prepare your Child for Next Year

Whether help is needed in finishing the year or to prepare your child for next year, here is an excellent resource:

The Ontario Resource Bank (OERB) provides over 50,000 resources on any subject and any grade. Find interactive tutorials, educational games, an extensive video library and complete on-line course material, just to name a few. More information on the site can be found through your child's *Chatt* account. Simply go to **Student Conferences** then select the **Junior Students** (4-6) and look for the **Homework Help** Conference (same icon as at the top left). Select **Student Access OERB** and find the **Autologin** to the site under **OERB Access for Students**. If that is not possible, you can get access to the site at:

<http://resources.elearningontario.ca/>

(You will need to obtain the username and password from a teacher.)

If you require more information contact Scott Dykes (HDSB e-learning Contact - Homework Help Initiative) at: homeworkhelp@hdsb.ca

ATTENTION

COURTESY SEAT TRANSPORTATION PROCEDURE

2014 - 2015 School Year

Courtesy Seat Application forms will be accepted annually at all schools

AFTER JUNE 1st until SEPTEMBER 30th.

Applications will continue to be processed annually **AFTER OCTOBER 1st.**

Application forms are available on the HSTS website at www.haltonbus.ca.

If you have any questions, email transportation@haltonbus.ca

Glen Gathering

Our June Glen Gathering is scheduled for Friday, June 13 at 8:30am.

This is a 'A' day for our kindergarten friends.

Everyone is welcome!

June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Grade 4 Scientist in the School	4 Kindergarten Glazed Expressions Track and Field at Craig Kielburger	5 Kindergarten Glazed Expressions Track and Field (rain date) School BBQ 	6 PA Day	7
8	9	10	11 Grade 5 Information Night at Centennial	12	13 Glen Gathering Sub Day 	14
15	16	17 Chris McKool Performance	18	19	20 Pizza Day 	21
22	23 SK Graduation Kindergarten Play Day	24 Talent Show SK Graduation Kindergarten Play Day	25 Grade 5 Send-Off	26 Report Cards go home Grade 5 Year End Party	27 Early Dismissal 1:05  Report Cards Returned (pages 3/4)	28
29	30					

