



# ÉCOLE GLENAYRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## Upcoming Calendar Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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## Principally Speaking

### The Week That Was

Week #1 of the SHARE Food Drive is in the books. Thank you for your non-perishable food donations. Keep them coming on Tuesdays and Thursdays next week and the week after. Last day to bring food donations is Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Looking Forward

#### The Month of December.

As I mentioned in last week's newsletter, December, historically, is a very busy month for schools; however, December 2020 will look differently for COVID-19 reasons. Some of the activities that are at the forefront of our planning:

- a. Secret Santa Mission from the North Pole;
- b. Classroom door decorating, hallway lighting and decorations;
- c. \*SHARE Food Drive;
- d. Staff Appreciation Event and
- e. Individual classroom events that will be shared via your child's classroom teacher when they are finalized.

#### The Months of January and February.

This message is specific to current Grade K-4 families who have a child in the Early French Immersion Program @ Ecole Glenayre Elementary and who have an incoming Kindergarten child (for the 2021.22 school year) that's a sibling of a current French Immersion child. There is nothing to do right now; however, I wanted to remind these families that they **must apply** for the Early French Immersion Program of Choice if they wish for their incoming Kindergarten child to get into the same program. More information about Programs of Choice will be sent next week.

Furthermore, here are some other pertinent details as reflected in the changing landscape due to COVID-19:

- The district will not offer any in-person, parent information night sessions.
  - Each Kindergarten Program of Choice (POC), Late French Immersion and Late Montessori information nights will be replaced by information video presentations.
  - Video presentations will be available for all parents to see starting in early December and will run until the end of the application process

Have a great weekend,

Andrew Lloyd

Dear Glenayre Community,

I wanted to inform you of a new resource created by our district. Earlier this year, SD43's Learning Services Team hosted a Zoom workshop entitled "Understanding Worry." They have since posted their session online and compiled a list of mental health resources, which can be found at the following link: <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Pages/mentalhealth.aspx#/=>

In addition, on Wednesday December 9, 2020, Family Smart will be hosting a virtual *In the Know* session on "Doing the Holidays Differently." Please see the information below and/or the attached flyer for more details.

*We have a very special in the know coming up next month on Wednesday December 9. We will not be showcasing a video, instead we will be focusing on doing the holiday differently this year. Here is the poster with all the details. Please join us by computer (using your webcam) or phone.*

***Topic: DOING THE HOLIDAYS DIFFERENTLY.***

*If you have a child or youth with mental health challenges, you may already adapt things around the holiday season. Many of us do. As the 2020 Holiday Season may be one for the record books, let's get together and talk about what that might look like for families like ours. We've also gathered ideas from our team of PiRs, and can share great tips for how we can increase connections, reduce holiday stress and find a little more breathing space during this important time.*

***Wednesday, December 9, 2020 @ 4:30 – 6:00 PM***

***I. RSVP - Please let us know you are coming! Register here: [www.familysmart.ca/itk](http://www.familysmart.ca/itk)***

This has been a whirlwind of a year with so many unexpected things happening and so many changes. It's natural to feel all the feelings. I just want to remind you that there are supports out there and if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

All the best,  
Nina De Lucca  
Counsellor



FOR ALL YOUR PAC NEEDS, VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO STAY UP TO DATE & SEE ALL OUR FUNDRAISERS!

<https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/glenayre-pac-fundraisers/>

**PURDY'S CHOCOLATE**

Thank you for a very successful Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser. We sold just over \$9400.00 which gives the PAC back \$2357.00. Glenayre went above and beyond! We thank you for all your support for all the fundraisers!

## **PURDY'S CHOCOLATE & GIFT CARD PICKUP**

Purdy's and Gift Cards will be available for PICK UP this WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2.

There will be 2 different times to come pick up your orders; at drop off and pickup.

**Please have a parent/adult come to the undercover area on DECEMBER 2, between the times:**

**8:30-9:15am OR 2:30-3:15pm**

**\*For pickup of Gift cards and/or Purdy's ONLY**

\*1 adult to come to pick up table

\*Must wear a mask

\*Please keep distance from others

\*Can pick up for others if needed, just need name on order

## **PAC MEETING**

Please see PAC Meeting Minutes in attachments. Thank you to those that attended. We truly appreciate everyone who joins in. We would love to see more of our parents joining our PAC meetings in the future. Please join our social media accounts to be updated on things happening at Glenayre!

\*No PAC meeting in December\*

## **NEXT PAC MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY January 13, 2021 at 7:15 PM virtually on zoom**

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Please "LIKE" our [FACEBOOK](https://www.facebook.com/glenayrepac) page at <https://www.facebook.com/glenayrepac> in order to receive all the latest event notifications.

We are also on *INSTAGRAM* so please follow us at: [@glenayrepac](https://www.instagram.com/glenayrepac)

**If you have any questions on how you can get involved or questions/concerns related to PAC News, please reach out to us by email at [glenayrepac@gmail.com](mailto:glenayrepac@gmail.com)**

## **Attachments**

**12.1 Family Smart Poster**

**12.2 PAC Minutes**