



# ÉCOLE GLENAYRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter # 13

December 1, 2023

## Upcoming Calendar Events

Mon, Dec 4 – Staff Meeting

Fri, Dec 8 – Glenayre Christmas Craft Fair

Thurs, Dec 14 – Hot Lunch A & W

Mon, Dec 18 – Holiday Wear Day

Tues, Dec 19 – Holiday Concert Dress Rehearsal

Wed, Dec 20 – Holiday Concert

Thurs, Dec 21 – Holiday Concert

Fri, Dec 22 – Pajama Day  
Pancake Breakfast/Lunch  
Report Cards on MyEd  
Last Day of School

## Principally Speaking

### Looking Back

It was a busy one...

- SHARE Food Drive. This was the first week of our annual food drive. In years past, we have had a huge response to this event. Please consider donating non-perishable food items. Have your child bring the non-perishable food to their classroom.
- The Winter/Christmas Concert is well under way in its preparation as Ms. Low continues to work her musical magic with our students.
- A fantastic showing of our Glenayre students in their after school Theatrix performance. Shout out to Griffins for watching the event and being flexible in your sharing of the gym space.
- Winter/Christmas concert tickets went on sale today via School Cash Online. You would have received an email saying they were available for sale.

## Looking Forward

### Report Cards

Teachers are busily completing Term 1 Report Cards. Term 1 Report Cards will be available on the Parent Portal by the end of the day on December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Families will receive an email informing them that report cards are available to be viewed. It is vitally important that you make sure you can navigate the Parent Portal and don't wait until the last minute to find out that there's an issue.

### SHARE Food Drive.

Week 2 of the Food Drive starts next week. Each classroom division will have a hamper box in which the food is placed. Unlike last year, the hamper boxes will remain in the classrooms and when these boxes are at capacity, their contents will be placed under our Christmas tree. SHARE Society will pick up the food on Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Holiday Concert Information.

Here are the details for our holiday concert.

- When: Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Families will attend only one of these two days. Ticket sales will reflect whether you are attending on Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Time: 1:30 – 2:30pm
- Doors Open: TBD.

- Tickets available via Schools Cash Online beginning Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Ticket sales close on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. This allows us to monitor the number of people attending and stay within the gym capacity limits.
- Two tickets per family. We have capacity limits on the number of people allowed in the gym.
- Tickets will be distributed the week of December 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have more than one child who attends Glenayre, the oldest sibling will be given the tickets to bring home.

### Final Week Celebratory Events

#### **Holiday Wear Day – Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

Wearing an Ugly Christmas sweater or some sort of bedazzled holiday hat, shirt, etc.

#### **Secret Santa Mission from the North Pole Top Secret – Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

Jolly Saint Nick will once again visit Glenayre. I will update everyone with details after our December Staff Meeting. Please keep this in the top-secret file.

#### **Pancake Breakfast for Lunch – Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**

The PAC resurrected the traditional firefighter pancake breakfast in 2022 and it is back again this year. The event will be held in our gym. Stay tuned for more details closer to the date.

### The Months of January and February.

Here is some information about [Early French Immersion registration](#) and the process for [cross catchment](#) applications as we get closer to the month of January.

The first message is specific to current Grade K-4 families who have a child in the Early French Immersion Program at École Glenayre Elementary and who have an incoming Kindergarten child (for the 2024.25 school year) that is 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 French Programs of Choice can be found [here](#). **Programs of choice registration happens from January 11-17, 2024.**

The second message concerns the cross-catchment process. I hyperlinked this information in the initial section of the Principally Speaking piece. Families withing to attend Glenayre Elementary but who are not in catchment, have a process for being able to potentially join the Glenayre community.

The third message is for **current Grade 5 families** interested in **Late French Immersion**. Children with siblings in a Program of Choice must still apply online and fill in sibling information. Failure to do so will result in the incoming sibling not getting into the program. More details regarding the Late French Immersion program are found [here](#).

Have a great weekend,

Andrew



Welcome to Counsellor's Corner, your place for resources, upcoming events/workshops, and weekly mindful moments (short activities to do at home to foster better mental health).

#### **Mindful Moment**

*Warm Beverage Mindfulness*

Prepare a warm cup of hot chocolate or tea. Notice how it feels in your hands. Take a deep breath and exhale to cool it down. Do you notice anything. Pay attention to any smells. Take a sip. What does it taste like?

## Workshops

ADHD The Real Deal- Various Dates and Times in December

Click [Here](#) to Register for Above Sessions

Questions? Comments? Concerns? Observations? Do not hesitate to contact me.

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## Glenayre Children's Christmas Craft Sale – see the attached flyer

The Annual Children's Christmas Craft Sale is back! December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

To all you crafty people out there it's time to start making those beautiful and simple crafts for students to purchase and give to the special people in their lives. If you're not feeling crafty we are also happy to accept donations of store bought crafts. Donations can be dropped off at the office by December 7th.

Students will have the opportunity to come down to the gym with their classes during the morning of December 8<sup>th</sup> and purchase craft items for **\$2.00 each**. All proceeds will be donated to Cross Roads Hospice in Port Moody.

Parent volunteers will be needed on the day of the event. If you are available and can spare an hour of your time it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Kelli Staples at [kstaples@shaw.ca](mailto:kstaples@shaw.ca) or at 604-939-8363.

Volunteers are need for the following:

8:30 to 9:30 set up	8 volunteers
9:30 to 10:30 wrapping	10 volunteers
10:30 to 11:30 wrapping	10 volunteers
11:30 to 12:30 wrapping	10 volunteers
12:30 to 1:30 final purchases and clean up	10 volunteers

The Glenayre Community Association appreciates your help and support of this event.



### QUICK LOOK ☞

*Don't miss out on the many exciting upcoming PAC events!*

*For details, please continue reading below or visit: <https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/>*

**\*\*Reminder- Please direct all hot lunch and PAC related emails to [glenayrepac@gmail.com](mailto:glenayrepac@gmail.com) and do not reply directly to Mrs. Gormann.\*\***

TODAY	Baby Go Round Winter drive- Donation boxes can be found near the school office Dec 1-15
NEXT	Dec 8: A&W hot lunch order deadline Dec 8- Holiday concert raffle sales open
UPCOMING	Dec 14: A&W hot lunch Dec 22: Holiday Pancake Breakfast for students- Parent volunteers needed more info to come!

## **PURDY'S HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER**

A huge thank you to everyone who helped support our 2023 Purdys fundraiser!

From your support, our PAC was able to raise \$1,803.31 that will be directly funneled back into Glenayre school!

A huge shout out to Ramen Kataria, Stefanie Goertzen and Maria Thorneloe for organizing the fundraiser and to the families for once again coming together to support the school in such a delicious way!

❄️ Pick up will be the week of December 11th with both 2 pick up times (one close to drop off and one close to pick-up).

❄️ Information will be sent out to the school community as soon as we have a more accurate delivery time/date so keep your eyes peeled!

❄️ We kindly ask everyone to collect their orders on the assigned pick-up date, as storage space is limited and we want to ensure the chocolates arrive home safely.

## **FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARDS**

Thank you to the 16 families who supported the Gift Card Fundraiser this year! With a total in \$5,500 in sales, we earned almost \$200 in rebates. Gift cards will be available to pick up at the same as Purdys—so please stay tuned for more info.

This was the first year Glenayre partnered with “Fundscrip” for this fundraiser; we welcome any feedback as we plan for next year.

**Questions? Email the [glenayrepac@gmail.com](mailto:glenayrepac@gmail.com)**

## **WINTER CONCERT PREFERRED SEATING RAFFLE**

Students are enthusiastically practicing for the upcoming winter concert; now parents can start preparing, too! The PAC will be raffling off tickets for the first two rows of seating for each concert day. This year, we are fundraising to enhance the musical theater program at Glenayre which may include improvements relating to sound and lighting in the gym.

After families have chosen which concert date they will attend on School Cash Online (please see above), the PAC Preferred Seating Raffle will open on Munch-a-lunch.

- Sales open Fri. Dec 8 - Sat. Dec. 16th
- Tickets will be sold on Munch-a-Lunch for \$5 per entry, unlimited entries permitted
- Entries may only be purchased for the concert date you have registered to attend
- Each winner will be granted two side-by-side, randomly selected seats from the first two rows

## **HOT LUNCH**

December 14th is A&W Hot lunch! Order payment and deadline is December 8th.

All hot lunch dates and ordering information can be found on our PAC website at

<https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/2023/09/21/hot-lunch-munchalunch-online-ordering/> and ordered through our Munch-a-lunch system.

## **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

🌲 When: Friday, December 22nd in the school gym.

🌲 Each child will receive 2 pancakes (with whip cream and sprinkle options). If there are any dietary concerns or restrictions, please let us know prior to the event so that alternates can be discussed.

🌲 The cost for this event will be covered by the PAC (and some community donations).

🌲 We are teaming with up the POMO fire fighters and ask that each child bring a \$1-2 dollar donation to add to the firefighter's boot. To find out more about the burn fund center, please visit <https://burnfund.org/burn-fund-centre-2-2/about-the-centre/>

🌲 Information will be sent home next week to allow families time to plan their at home breakfast and lunches accordingly. Children will be served in 3 predetermined time slots organized by grade.

🌲 We will need parent volunteers for this event on Dec.16th from 8:30-1pm. If you are interesting in helping please email the PAC at t [glenayrepac@gmail.com](mailto:glenayrepac@gmail.com)

## **BABY GO ROUND WINTER DRIVE**

We are partnering with BabyGoRound, a non-profit organization that helps the Lower Mainland's most vulnerable families care for their infants and toddlers, and collecting winter outerwear for sizes 0-24 months as well as baby blankets to provide to local families in need. These items will make a big difference to the comfort and health of babies this winter, and provide their parents with increased flexibility and mobility to get outside during Vancouver's coldest months.

We want to make sure that no baby goes without having what they need to stay warm this winter. You can help achieve this by donating clean, gently used winter outerwear or blankets between Dec 1-15! A donation box can be found in our school lobby for these dates.

## **PAC MEETING**

There will be no PAC meeting in December. See you all back in the new year. Dates to come!

## **YEAR LONG OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT THE GLENAYRE PAC**

### **NEW DOLLARS & CENTS STORE**

We're pleased to share a new fundraiser available all school-year long through Dollars and Cents Stores! When you mention the "Glenayre PAC" account, 20% of sales will be donated to our school PAC. Dollars and Cents is a fun, well-stocked "dollar store" located in Westwood Plateau near David Ave and Johnson St in Coquitlam.

<http://www.dollarsandcentsstores.com/>

Please see attached flyer. Be sure to read below for additional ongoing fundraisers.

## **PORT MOODY LIQUOR STORE FUNDRAISING REBATE**

Year round fundraising opportunity available through Port Moody Liquor Store on St. John's Street. Simply mention "**Glenayre Elementary**" at checkout, and 5% of your purchases will go toward the Glenayre PAC. Please share this with your friends and family as a way to continue supporting Glenayre throughout the summer and beyond.

## **MABEL'S LABELS**

A quick and easy way to support the PAC is by ordering Mabel's Labels online. Our PAC receives 20% back on all orders. These labels are durable, laundry safe, dishwasher safe and a great way to avoid your child losing items. There are lots of fun holiday themed labels and return address labels online now. Go to

[https://mabelslabels.ca/en\\_CA/fundraising/support/](https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/) and search **Glenayre** as your school to support.

## **FIRST AID HERO BABYSITTING, STAY SAFE & MY SAFE LIFE COURSES**

First Aid Hero is a Canadian Red Cross Training Partner and all instructors are certified youth leaders. Their courses help kids learn the skills necessary to keep them safe. Courses offered are My safe life (ages 7-10), Home alone Stay safe (ages 9-13) and Babysitting Course (ages 11-15). Be sure to use our promo code at check out for both in-person or online courses and our PAC will receive \$5 per registration. <https://firstaidhero.com/> **PROMOCODE: glenayre.**

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Best way to stay up-to-date with PAC information is to follow us on social media:

- 1) Like and follow on **Facebook** at <https://www.facebook.com/glenayrepac>
- 2) On **INSTAGRAM** follow us at: [@glenayrepac](https://www.instagram.com/glenayrepac)
- 3) Or bookmark & subscribe to the Glenayre PAC website: <https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/>



## **Attachments:**

**12.1 – Glenayre Craft Fair**

**12.2 – Dollars and Cents**