

ÉCOLE GLENAYRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Upcoming Calendar Events

Mon, Feb 19-BC Family Day

Wed, Feb 21 – Class Photos

Fri, Feb 23 - Pro D Day

Wed, Feb 28 - Pink Shirt Day

Thurs, Feb 29 – Glenayre Wear Day Hot Lunch – Subway

Fri, March 1 – Trivia Night

Mon, March 4 – Staff Meeting

Tues, March 5 - Donut Day

Thurs, March 7 – Theatrix Lunch Box Performance 1:45pm

Wed, March 13 – Theatrix Spotlight
Performance 3:15pm

Thurs, March 14 - Hot Lunch - A&W

Fri, March 15 – Glenayre Wear Day

Term 2 Learning Updates on MyEd

Last Day Before Spring Break

Principally Speaking

The Week That Was

Student involvement is at an all-time high around the school. Whether it's students participating in our Theatrix program, playing basketball, preparing for the Como Lake relays, or taking on leadership roles as Sports Monitors handing out equipment to students at recess or lunch, February has been a busy month. From a staff perspective, we continue to drill down into the Science of Reading with respect to our literacy inquiry questions. This includes teachers working collaboratively with Heggerty resources and being part of working groups that meet on Wednesdays at lunch.

Our staff motto is **Connection Family Health**, and it guides us in how we interact with one another and our students. In the spirit of connectedness, humility, the human spirit, and the upcoming Family Day, our February Team Leader meeting this month looked at the notion of school culture. We started the conversation with a focus on what represents the Glenayre cultural pillars. This led to a discussion that centered on questions like:

- Who are we as a Glenayre team?
- What do we value in a learning environment?
- How do we communicate with one another? With students? With parents?

We will delve into this idea of school culture more during our March Staff Meeting.

Looking Forward

During the month of February, we continue to learn about influential Canadians and support students in giving back to one another in the form of real acts of caring.



Real Acts of Caring Week
Monday, February 12th
Let someons go shead of you in line
Tuesday, February 13th
Give someons a compliment
Wednesday, February 14th
Invite someons new to play with you
Thursday, February 15th
Hold the deer open for someons
Friday, February 16th
Help with a chore without being asked

Have a relaxing and connected Family Day long 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

This month's theme is Random Actings of Caring (RAC). RAC are nice things we do without the expectation of getting anything in return. Each week this month there will be a new challenge to complete. This week's challenge is to write someone a kind note.

RAC WEEK

Next week is RAC week at Glenayre. Each day there is a new challenge to complete an act of caring (see attached poster). Enter your name and your act of caring in the box by the main entrance doors.

Workshops

Family Smart Workshops For Families: A Conversation About Eating Disorders - Various Dates and Times in February Deepening our Understanding and Support for those with Disordered Anxiety: When it's Beyond Average and the Basics Don't Cut it- February 12th 6:30-8:30pm click here https://familysmart.ca/monthly-events/ to Register.

Matters of the Mind: Top 10 Strategies for Caregivers Supporting a Child with Anxiety- March 6th 6:00pm Click Here to Register https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0lcOirqz0tHNDoV3JvmDcTFmpP0LnJepWT#/registration

Questions? Comments? Concerns? Observations? Do not hesitate to contact me. Natalia Kubiak, M. Ed, RCC nkubiak@sd43.bc.ca



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 and do not reply directly to Mrs. Gormann.

TODAY New PAC executive volunteers needed- Contact us today!

UP NEXT Feb 23 Subway hot lunch order deadline

Feb 26- Black history month celebration at Makin house

UPCOMING Feb 26- Art Card orders open online

March 1- Trivia Night- Join us as a Volunteer!

URGENTLY NEEDED - VACANT PAC EXEC ROLES FOR 2024-25

We are in urgent need of new PAC executives for the new school year. Vacant roles include President, Vice-president, & Secretary and typically serve a two-year term. The sooner we have volunteers to step into these vital positions, the more time there is to support the transition (help us help you!).

Without a PAC executive team, our PAC will be forced to dissolve. What do we really stand to lose?

- Hot lunches
- Theatrix
- Young Actors
- Saleema Noon Sexual health education
- Fun events like the Pancake breakfast, movie nights, school dances, the read a thon, Trivia night, Carnival and more
- Our annual gaming grant (thousands of dollars put toward supplemental education programs)

- No experience necessary! There is a lot of support available through previous and current volunteers as well as thorough documentation. Remember, the executive team and PAC volunteers decide how many events take place. Do as much or as little as you feel you can take on and make the position your own!
- Read more about responsibilities of the PAC and view positions here: glenayrepac.wordpress.com/your-pac/
- Want to chat? Email Erica, current PAC President, at glenayrepac@gmail.com

ART CARDS

Teachers have completed their art projects with the students. Next week, every child will be sent home with a free, usable, professionally printed greeting card and families will have an opportunity to order greeting cards and gifts. This is an amazing fundraising initiative for our school as we receive 20% back on all orders. **Orders open Feb 26th** at www.TheCardProject.ca and finished products will be delivered to the school in April. Thank you to our PAC parent volunteer Kristin Morrison for facilitating this beloved initiative!

HOT LUNCH

Subway hot lunch is Feb 29th. Be sure to get your order in before our deadline on Feb 23rd.

Reminders:

- 1) All hot lunch orders close 1 week prior to the hot lunch date. Ordering instructions can be found on our PAC website at https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/
- 2) Please direct all hot lunch and PAC related emails to glenayrepaclunch@gmail.com and do not reply directly to Mrs. Gormann.
- 3) Hot lunch Volunteers positions are posted on Lotsa Helping Hands.

TRIVIA NIGHT 2024 - WE HAVE A FULL HOUSE!

Friday, March 1st, 2024 from 6:30-11:30pm in the school gym

We are so excited to see so many amazing teams signed up! Registration closes next Friday, February 23rd. Thanks for everyone's support in getting your registrations in early! If you were hoping to join in the fun but don't have your team yet, we still have an urgent need for volunteers.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Volunteering at Trivia night is just as fun as participating. We cannot make this event happen without the help of our amazing volunteer crew. Please be sure to check out the coveted "Judges" positions and be prepared for some serious food related bribery! Sign up today on Lots Helping Hands.

FAMILY PAINT NIGHT- SUCCESS!

Thank you to everyone who made it out to our 2024 family paint night and a huge thank you to PAC parent volunteer Isabelle Schwarz for her hard work planning this amazing event to bring the school community together.







TRI CITIES BLACK HISTORY

MONTH CELEBRATION

Looking for a fun family day event? Celebrate the dynamic and varied cultures of the African diaspora in Coquitlam. Come dance, craft, visit with neighbours, and enjoy amazing foods together in community. Listen to bands representing a variety of African musical traditions and styles, visit booths from community partners, enjoy African inspired treats, face painting, balloon animals, and even take selfies with a princess!

When: February 24, 2024

Time: 12pm-3pm Where: Mackin House

Address: 1116 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam

https://www.coquitlamheritage.ca/events/black-history-month-celebration

YEAR LONG OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT THE GLENAYRE PAC

DOLLARS & CENTS STORE

We're pleased to share a 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/

PORT MOODY LIQUOR STORE FUNDRAISING REBATE

\$Thank you for your support! Our YTD rebate is at \$645! Please share this fundraiser with your friends and family as a way to continue supporting Glenayre Elementary!

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/ 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
- 3) Or bookmark & subscribe to the Glenayre PAC website: https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/

Attachments:

22.1 - RAC Week