

ÉCOLE GLENAYRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter # 24

Upcoming Calendar Events

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
- Mon, April 1 Easter Monday
- Tues, April 2 School Re-opens

Mon, April 8 – Staff Meeting

Thurs, April 11 – Hot Lunch – Pizza Hut Div 1 Evergreen Ctr Field Trip March 1, 2024

Principally Speaking

The Week That Was

With Spring Break right around the corner, preparations began for the **Como Lake Relays** began as Mr. Barna and Mme. Birnbaum began Wednesday practices. For those parents whose child is running in the Como Lake Relays, stay tuned for more information, specifically permission forms. This week also saw the Theatrix Lunchbox crew putting the final touches on their afternoon performance next week. A big thanks to our PAC volunteers who continue to support our students as part of the hot lunch events.

On the curriculum front, Glenayre continued to look at influential Canadians as part of our Black History Month focus, teachers were busy completing Term 2 report cards, and our two student teachers were learning the pillars of educational leadership from Mmes. Rader and Birnbaum.

Looking Forward

As we move into the final two weeks of school before Spring Break, Glenayre is already prepping for the 2024.25 school year as we welcome our incoming Kindergarten and cross-catchment families. We also begin to look at our staffing and in what areas teachers wish to teach or an area they wish to explore. Our Action Plan for Learning (APL) Committee will meet next week to determine the timeline for our schoolwide classroom-based reading assessment.

In the month of April, we have Student Led Conferences (SLC) scheduled for Thursday, April 19th. There will be an early dismissal to facilitate these conferences. The next day, Friday, April 20th, is a district PD Day and students are not in session.

Heading into the month of May, we have the Student Profile survey which will be sent to parents on Monday, May 6th and due Monday, May 20th before 4pm. The purpose of this voluntary survey is to glean information about how your child learns best as we begin to organize classes for the 2024.25 school year. As a gentle reminder, this survey is NOT a teacher request form.

Take care, 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

Rainfall Meditation

Rainy days are often dark and dreary but we can take advantage of them and relax. On a rainy day find a comfortable spot to observe the raindrops. Use as many senses as you can in your observation. What does the rain look like? Are there are a lot of raindrops? What do they sound like? If you dare to venture outside, think about what the rain smells like? What do the drops feel like on your skin?

Workshops

Family Smart Workshops Beyond Behaviours: When is it More? - Various Dates and Times in February Click <u>Here</u> to Register for Above Sessions Matters of the Mind: Top 10 Strategies for Caregivers Supporting a Child with Anxiety- March 6th 6:00pm Click <u>Here</u> to Register Questions? Comments? Concerns? Observations? Do not hesitate to contact me.

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QUICK LOOK

Don't miss out on the many exciting upcoming PAC events! For details, please continue reading below or visit: <u>https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/</u>

Reminder- Please direct all hot lunch and PAC related emails to <u>glenayrepac@gmail.com</u> and do not reply directly to Mrs. Gormann.

- TODAYX New PAC executive volunteers- URGENT NEED!Big Box Cards- Greeting card fundraiser opens today!
- UP NEXT March 8 A&W Hot lunch order deadline
- UPCOMING March 10 Art Card order deadline

URGENTLY NEEDED - VACANT PAC EXEC ROLES FOR 2024-25

If you value all that our PAC offers in terms of support for the staff, families, and students of Glenayre, reach out today to see how you can help keep our PAC alive. <u>glenayrepac@gmail.com</u>

Do you value our PAC and how it benefits our school? We are in URGENT NEED of new PAC executives as we recruit for the 2024 & 2025 school year. THE TIME IS NOW! Vacant roles include <u>President & Vice-president (or co-presidents)</u>, and typically serve a two-year term. Main duties include **hosting monthly PAC meetings (in the school library) and liaising with parents and school staff (approx 5-10 hours per month)** but



can also include fundraising and event planning if that's your jam! Read more about responsibilities of the PAC and view positions here: <u>glenayrepac.wordpress.com/your-pac/</u>

While these roles may seem intimidating, please know that they are **VERY WELL SUPPORTED** by other pac executive and PAC parent volunteers. Meet new friends, learn new skills, and impact your child's school and education in a meaningful way! We need these roles secured by April/May and 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 ALL 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 (Approx. \$6,000 given to us to put toward supplemental education programs)

"BIG DEAL BOX" GREETING CARD FLASH FUNDRAISER

Join us as we sprint to Spring for this fun, two-week fundraiser! (Please see attached flier) Buy hand-crafted greeting cards and support the PAC!

Each box contains 40 full-sized embellished cards (foil, glitter, cut-outs) with matching envelopes for birthdays (kids and adult), special occasion, holiday, and blank. Only \$35/box (a \$200 value). This is an epic opportunity for our school as 50% of sales go to the PAC!

ORDER TODAY!

Click "Register Now" at <u>www.shopDFScanada.com</u> and enter our <u>organization ID: 8437</u>. Then choose, "Shop Now." At checkout, be sure to select "Ship to Organization" for free shipping.

Help us reach our goal to sell 150+ boxes! This earns us free shipping to the school and will raise over \$2,500 to help support important programs such as the tennis program this spring.

DEADLINE:

Don't miss out! Sales end Monday, March 18th. Help us increase our sales by sharing this flash fundraiser with family and friends!

Boxes will be available for pickup the week of April 8th.

ART CARDS

Teachers have completed their art projects with the students. On Monday, Feb 26th, 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. Families can also upload their child's art with the art number on the back of the card sample, or with our dedicated school **code EG38**.

This is an amazing fundraising initiative for our school as we receive 20% back on all orders. **Orders open Feb 26th** at <u>www.TheCardProject.ca</u> and close March 10th. Finished products will be delivered to the school in April. Thank you to our PAC parent volunteer Kristin Morrison for facilitating this beloved initiative!

READ A THON 2024

The 2024 Read-A-Thon officially begins on **April 15th** and all packets will be sent home with students after spring break. For those new to Glenayre, students will read for 30 days while asking for pledges to hit their reading goal. All students are encouraged to participate regardless of their grade and reading ability. Reading as a family, audio books, friends reading to friend, or silently on your own all count towards achieving reading minutes goals.

Our **read-a-thon** is a fundraiser during which students **read** in exchange for pledges or donations from family and friends for their school. This is a fundraiser that many of us hold dear to our hearts as it's really good for our kids and our school! This school-wide fundraising event is unique in that the children take ownership of and pride in it. Please help your child set and achieve their goals. They'll benefit greatly from the fulfillment of participating, contributing and succeeding.

HOT LUNCH

A&W hot lunch is Thursday, March 14th. Be sure to get your order in before March 8th!

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 <u>glenayrepaclunch@gmail.com</u> and do not reply directly to Mrs. Gormann.
- 3) Hot lunch Volunteers positions are posted on Lotsa Helping Hands.

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

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 <u>https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/</u> and search **Glenayre** as your school to support.

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: <u>https://glenayrepac.wordpress.com/</u>

Attachments:

- 24.1 The Card Project
- 24.2 Big Deal Box
- 24.3 City of Port Moody Spring Programs
- 24.4 SFU Girls Basketball