

# Glen Orchard Public School

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## February News 2019

### A Message from the Principal

Welcome to Friendly February at Glen Orchard! ☐ This month's action for happiness calendar is full of great suggestions for being friendly this month. Our Gators are encouraged to speak in a positive tone, look for the good in others, actively listen when in conversations, and give sincere compliments.

As parents, you might be thinking...“The math my child brings home doesn't look like what I was taught in school!” There has definitely been a shift! I'll try to help you out with this, as I know you want to help your children throughout their math journey.

As an example, many of us were taught to do addition using a traditional algorithm format.

If you had the question  $36+28$  the numbers would be stacked.

$\begin{array}{r} 36 \\ +28 \\ \hline \end{array}$  You would then proceed to add the ones and carry the one (which is really a value of 10). Then you would add the tens to arrive at a sum.

Math instruction has shifted to teaching students to understand what the numbers mean, not just to do the steps to get the answer. In the process, we are helping students develop different strategies to solve problems. This allows students to choose a way (and there are many) that they understand and can explain. You may hear your children refer to number talks, place value, friendly numbers etc.

Math is everywhere and it can be lots of fun to notice it and talk about it with your children. Cooking, counting money, reading thermometers and playing card games are ways you can help your children with their understanding of numbers.

I'm very grateful for our awesome parents and community members. The partnership we share between home, community and school has a positive impact on our children's education. *Report cards go home on Feb. 15.* Please take some time to review these with your child and help them to set individual goals for improvement. And thank you for checking out the adding and subtracting strategies included in this newsletter.

Sincerely,

Tanya Fraser, Proud Principal of Glen Orchard



**Breakfast Volunteers** We need you!!! As nutrition guidelines and health & safety mandates change, we too, must grow our breakfast team! Please call the office if you are interested in helping us out.

**School Council** Our next School Council meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.** in the library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### **Winter Electives**

2 dates left: Tues. Feb. 5 and Wed. Feb. 20. What a great time had by all! There were many happy faces and fun pictures posted on Twitter. Please check us out @GlenOrchardPS. Warm socks, hats and gloves truly do make these days better! Proud of our students for getting outside and trying something new!

### **Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser**

Beginning Wednesday, February 6th, Glen Orchard Public School students and staff will launch a "Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser". Funds raised will be used to enhance programs/trips for all grades. Order forms will go home with the youngest student in each family on Wednesday, February 6th and are **due back on Tuesday, February 19th**. Product will be delivered to Glen Orchard Public School on Tuesday, March 5th and parents/guardians are asked to make arrangements to pick-up their orders that day. Delivery details will follow closer to the date. Each family will receive an order form to keep track of customers, orders and payment. Payment is required at the time the order is place. Cheques are to be made out to Glen Orchard Public School. Orders can also be placed on-line at [PizzaKit.ca](http://PizzaKit.ca). The online ordering instructions are on the back of the Little Caesars product flyer.

The Fundraiser ID for Glen Orchard P.S. is **353172**.

### **2019 Novel Challenge**

In December, students in Ms. Coulter's grade 5/6 class, Mr. Grimstead's grade 6/7 class and Mr. Sontag's grade 8 class began reading for the 2019 Novel Challenge. Students have divided themselves into teams of 4 and are required to read at least 1 novel each (but can read up to 4 novels if they wish). Beginning late February, teams will "battle" each other's knowledge of these novels and could become the 2019 Novel Challenge Champions. Reading a minimum of 1 novel is required reading and will be used for the student assessment. Parents are more than welcome to attend any or all of the battles. With continued support from parents, the 2019 Novel Challenge will be an exciting event!

### **Kindergarten Registration**

What you need to register: Proof of age, proof of address, child's immunization record.

Junior Kindergarten students must be four years old by December 31, 2019. For Online registrations please visit [ereg.tldsb.ca](http://ereg.tldsb.ca) or follow the links at [tldsb.ca/parents/school-registration](http://tldsb.ca/parents/school-registration)

### **Pickleball at Milford Bay Community Centre**

Pickleball, at the Milford Bay Community Centre, is being offered for free to teens between the ages of 12 and 19 on Family Day Monday from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. who are accompanied by a paying adult.









### **Volleyball**

Permission forms will be coming home soon for our March 6th (rain date 7th) volleyball tournament in Bracebridge and Gravenhurst. There will also be exhibition games during the month of February. This will mean students will need to be driven and picked up from away games, and picked up at the school from home games. We will let you know as soon as these dates are finalized.

We thank-you for your continued support and are looking forward to a fast-paced volleyball season!

Your coaches, Ms. Hoskins, Mr. Grimstead, Mr. Sontag.

**February 2019 at a Glance**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 PD DAY
4 (5) Rafiki Bracelets Orders due Thanks from the GLO Me2We team:)	5 (1) Skiing/Snowboarding at Mt St Louis/Moonstone  OR Feed All Four at GLO (4-8) Great Moose Adventures (K-3).	6 (2)  Burgers Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser begins 	7 (3)	8 (4)  Pizza
11 (5) Meatless Monday 	12 (1)	13 (2)  Burgers	14 (3)  Cupcakes for Sale \$1.00 each	15 (4)  Pizza
18 Family Day Holiday	19 (5) Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser ends School Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	20 (1) <b>Elective Make-up day</b> Skiing/Snowboarding at Mt St Louis/Moonstone Or Feed All Four at GLO (4-8) Great Moose Adventures (K-3)	21 (2)	22 (3)  Pizza
25 (4) Meatless Monday 	26 (5)	27 (1)  Burgers	28 (2)	March 1 (3)  Pizza

### Food Voucher Form

Students Name:	Teacher's Name:
# of \$2.50 Vouchers (\$2.50ea or 10/25.00 Pizza, Hamburgers, Meatless Mondays)	Amount Enclosed: