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December 2017
Important Dates to Remember

Every Tuesday: Key Bible
Every Thursday until Dec 15: Mad Science
Dec 12: Snow Globe (details to follow)
Dec 19-23: Carol singing
Dec 19: Holiday Concert at Paris Fair Grounds
Dec 20: School Spirit—Pajama and Movie Day
Dec 25—Jan 5: Board Designated Holidays
Jan 8: Back to School
Happy Holidays!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The winter weather is setting upon us and we are beginning to experience colder temperatures. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you to send warm gloves/mittens, scarves, boots, snow-pants and warm coats with your kids so that they are dressed appropriately during recess. Also, please have an emergency back-up plan for weather-related early school closures in place. Child care arrangements at home or on the same bus route should be made, well in advance. Please be sure to share this information with the school, if you have not already done so. Our school procedures for early dismissal can be found on the following page. Please read carefully.

On behalf of the whole staff, I would like to wish you all a happy and joyous holiday season!

Kind Regards,
Latha Reuben, Principal

EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURE PROCEDURES

Our school procedures for early school closure are as follows:

- If our internet is working, a voicemail/email will be forwarded to all parents and/or guardians to inform you about the closure.
- If our internet is not working, the staff will be using their personal or school phones to contact families.
- Students with older siblings will be sent home on their regular bus. Students who have permission to walk will be sent home. Instructions as per your emergency forms will be followed.

IMPORTANT NOTE

- **Younger students** who do not have any older siblings in the school will be contacted first. **Parents/guardians of younger students MUST contact the school immediately** after receiving notification from the school so arrangements can be made for their pick-up.
- If you have any questions, special circumstances or need further clarification, please contact the school.

Inclement Weather

Please note that in the case of inclement weather if school buses are cancelled in a particular zone, the schools in that zone will be closed to all staff and students. **We are in ZONE 3.** Please listen to the radio or check the Board's website at www.granderie.ca to find out whether the buses are cancelled and schools are closed. If the school buses have not been cancelled, the school will remain open and classes will proceed as usual.



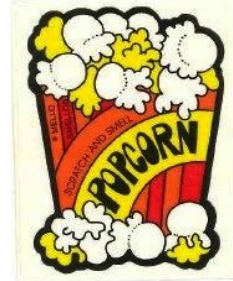
School Council News

School Spirit

The Glen Morris Student Council will be hosting a pajama and movie day on Dec 20th. Show your school spirit and join in on the fun! A flyer will be sent home soon with details about this event.

Popcorn Sales

The Glen Morris Student Council will be selling popcorn on every Wednesday in December. The popcorn costs \$1.00 and the many flavors to choose from include: Butter-salt, salt & vinegar, white cheddar, dill pickle and kettle corn.



Thank you to families who picked up some of their lost items during our parent interview days. We have a few more items still here. We will be displaying these items the week of Dec 18th so please take a few moments to view them and claim your belongings. Items not claimed by December 22nd will go to a local clothing drop off-box.

Scholastic Book Fair

A very sincere thanks to all families, students and staff for supporting us with our fall book fair. It was a great success! We soldof books which means there we gain a commission of to buy new books to replenish our library. WOW!

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PIANO LESSONS AT GLEN MORRIS SCHOOL

Under the Education Act, students are allowed to be dismissed from school up to 2 hours per week for music enrichment. This could include private music lessons at school or where parents pick up their child and bring them to music lessons at an outside location. At Glen Morris School, we feel that by having private piano lessons at school, it will benefit students (and parents), who would like their child (ren) to be involved in music. With extra-curricular activities after school and on the weekends, it makes it difficult to schedule another activity in.

Helen Leonhardt teaches piano at Glen Morris School. Helen's love for music will surely be passed onto your child. Having studied piano growing up, Helen enters her 13th year of teaching. Before that, you may know Helen through Kindermusik, a music and movement program in Brantford. Piano lessons are based on both playing and written theory work which is taught in the 30-minute weekly lesson. Books will be provided on your child's first lesson. A few proven facts about music.

1. Music has proven to enhance both math and science skills.
2. 30 minutes of music per week delivers 32% more literacy gain.
3. Music is the best vehicle for early childhood literacy.

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