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**September 2017**

**Important Dates to Remember**

- Tues. Sept 5 — First day of classes
- Tues. Sept 5 — Information Packages go home
- Fri. Sept. 8—Newsletter with attachments go home
- Tues. Sept. 12—6pm-7pm: Meet the Teacher Night**
- Thurs. Sept. 14—School Assembly—Allergy Awareness
- Thurs. Sept. 14—Current Student Information/Emergency Dismissal Sheets go home
- Fri. Sept. 15-PA Day—NO SCHOOL**
- Tues. Sept. 19-Parent Council General Nominations and Elections @ 7 p.m.
- Thurs. Sept. 28— Annual School-Wide Terry Fox Run
- Fri. Sept. 29—Orange Shirt Day— supporting Every Child Matters

**Attachments to this Newsletter:**

- The 2017-18 school calendar
- Student accident insurance forms (Insure My Kids)
- Annual Declaration of Student Accident Insurance
  - Social Media Guidelines

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to the 2017-18 school year!

On behalf of the staff at Glen Morris School, I am happy to welcome all returning as well as new students and families. I look forward to another positive year of partnership with you. Together we can ensure that your child/children have a safe, positive and successful school year. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success so we will always do our very best to carry out our responsibilities at school. We welcome your support in their education.

Bussing is always a little challenging on the first couple days of school. Bus schedules sometimes change and we have new students joining us so it takes time ensuring that all students are on the right bus and reaching their destination safely. We appreciate your patience for the first few days as we sort out these minor hiccups.

I believe communication between home and school is key to a successful partnership so please feel free to communicate any concerns or questions that you might have throughout the year.

Kind Regards,  
Latha Reuben

### Meet the Teacher Night

Our Meet the Teacher event is scheduled for Tuesday, **Sept. 12th, 2017 between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.** We value our connections with parents and families and look forward to seeing you all then.



### Parent Council Nominations and Elections

*All parent/guardians are invited to attend the Parent Council Nomination/Election Night on Tuesday September 19th at 7 p.m. Come and be actively involved in the partnership of home and school in the community of Glen Morris Central. Hope you plan on attending.*

### Current Student Information/Emergency Dismissal Sheets

This form will be sent home Thursday, September 14th, along with the Emergency Dismissal Information Form. It is important to have up-to-date information on file. All sheets need to be returned to the school office, **signed** by the parent/guardian as soon as possible. If your child's information / medical updates has changed over the summer please indicate this on the form. At this time we would like to remind our families that **all medications** will be administered through our school office. Please send detailed information as to administering this medication, time and frequency, and if it requires refrigeration. A form will be required for permission for a staff member to administer the medication. Please contact the school office and a form can be sent home. Thank you for your assistance.

### Friday Files and School Agendas

Notices, monthly newsletters and classroom updates will be sent home by the classroom teachers, to parents of students in Kindergarten through a weekly Friday File. **Please return** this folder for reuse each week.

Students from grades one to eight have individual student agendas in which assignments, special events and pertinent information will be recorded. We encourage you to also use the agenda to communicate regularly with the classroom teacher. School agendas will be handed out to students the first week of school at no charge to our families.

### Volunteer Police Checks

A Vulnerable Sector Police Check **AND** Completion of an Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities ACT (A.O.D.A.) training are requirements of the Grand Erie District School Board for ALL volunteers. ***Please visit <http://www.granderie.ca/board/elementary/parent-portal/volunteers> to learn more on how to complete the required training.***

Forms for this year's police checks can be picked up at the office. Please be aware that they may take six weeks to be completed. Police checks are now valid for two years. With upcoming extra-curricular events please ensure we have an up-to-date form on file in order to be able to drive and/or supervise students at these events. Thank you for your assistance.

### Bus Information

We had a few changes this year as to pick up and drop off times that affected many of our students. There are several ways to get information about bussing. To check your child's bus route, pick-up and drop-off times and if there are changes or delays in arrival or departure of the bus to or from school, go to

**www.stsbhn.ca** and click on the Transportation icon. Click on

Student Login, select the school year and enter the 9 digit OEN/Student ID—this number is on your child's report card. You may also call transportation at 519-751-7532 for Manager Phil Kuckyt at ext. 282202 or email at [pkuckyt@stsbhn.ca](mailto:pkuckyt@stsbhn.ca).

**New JK students and the students new to our school** will require a student login to be assigned. These families can call our Grand Erie transportation department or the school office for bussing information. We encourage all our families with children riding the bus to check daily for any changes that may occur especially the first week of school as new students are being registered.

We are fortunate to have three terrific drivers back again, who take great care of our children. Thank you Julie, Linda and Ron!

**Please note:** Any requests, changes or courtesy transportation requests require a form to be filled out and sent to transportation for approval. These forms must be sent in **by our school office**. Please do not print this form off the website and send it in to transportation prior to notifying the school office. Thank you for your assistance. Safety and better communication is our first priority.



### Before and After school Day care

This past year, I have had a number of families inquiring about before and after school care for their children. Paris Child Care has agreed to run a Before and After School Program at Glen Morris. It is a Ministry of Education Licensed Program. This program runs from 7 am until 6 pm within the school and allows for easy transitions before and after school.

Please note that the program will run ONLY if there are adequate registrations. If you are interested in registering your child/children, please contact Meghan Blunden at [holyfamily@parischildcare.ca](mailto:holyfamily@parischildcare.ca) or 519.442.5850.

### Kids Zone After School Program

Our After School Program will continue this year! Registered students will attend starting on Tuesday, September 5th. This program is set up for students in Grades 1 to 6 ONLY. Students in JK/SK will need to register for the Paris Child Care program as listed above. It is the expectation that registered students attend every day after school. If your child will not be attending on a particular day we ask that a note be sent to your child's teacher. If there is no note received, your child will be sent to the after school program. We look forward to another successful year with this program. Parent/Guardians can find information and register based on available spaces; Sign up on line using the EZ REG site. Go to [www.brant.ca](http://www.brant.ca), then follow the link to the EZ REG page. OR Visit any County of Brant Customer Service office and register in person.



Glen Morris Central Public School is a Nut Aware school. Please do not send foods that have peanuts or any other nut products. Cross contamination is the biggest risk for this type of allergy and we are taking appropriate measures to avoid this within the school. No alternative products will be permitted either. Grand Erie District School Board requests that students, families and staff avoid bringing any nut products into our peanut free schools. Thank you for your assistance.

### **Parent Council News**

When: September 19th, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Where: Glen Morris Central School - Library

Hello Glen Morris Parents. Hope that your summer was wonderful and you are ready to kick off the school year. Just a reminder that upcoming is the first school council meeting for 2017/2018. This meeting will give an overview of what's to come in the new year as well as we will be holding nominations for the new executive board. We look forward to seeing everyone on September 19th at 7:00 pm. Thank you. Lisamaree Cormier

### **Every Child Matters**

Wear an orange shirt on **Friday, September 29**

**Every Child Matters.** We will wear orange shirts to support First Nation students and schools, as an awareness and affirmation of our commitment to ensure that everyone around us matters.



### **SCHOOL CASH ON-LINE**

Last school year Glen Morris Central Public School phased in the Cashless payment system which is a Grand Erie District School Board requirement. This online payment system allows you to pay for your child's day-to-day school expenses such as lunch orders, milk program, school activities, field trips and sports events, etc. There will be some expenses however, that will not be offered due to their complex nature—such as fundraising projects, etc. Paper orders will be sent home with a letter requesting payment by cash, cheque or credit card. It is our goal that Glen Morris Central Public School will be 100% on-line payment by the end of 2017. If you are having difficulty registering your child we will be offering opportunities to sign in and register, both at our Meet the Teacher Night on Sept. 12th as well, our Parent Council Meeting on the 19th. You are invited to our school library to use the computers for set-up. If there are any questions or concerns give us a call.



*Coming Soon: Our Milk Program and Lunch Program—Watch for notices of ordering on School Cash On-Line!*

