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**September 2018**  
**Important Dates to Remember**

- Tues. Sept 4 — First day of classes
- Tues. Sept 4 — Allergy and Social Media Information go home
- Fri. Sept. 7—Newsletter with attachments go home
- Tues. Sept. 11-Parent Council General Nominations and Elections @ 7 p.m.
- Thurs. Sept. 13—6pm-7pm: Meet the Teacher Night**
- Thurs. Sept. 13—School Assembly—Allergy Awareness
- Thurs. Sept. 13—Current Student Information/Emergency Dismissal Sheets go home
- Fri. Sept. 14-PA Day—NO SCHOOL**
- Fri. Sept. 28—Annual School-Wide Terry Fox Run
- Attachments to this Newsletter:**
  - The 2018-19 school calendar
  - Student accident insurance forms (Insure My Kids)
  - Annual Declaration of Student Accident Insurance

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to the 2018-19 school year! I hope you had a wonderful and relaxing summer. I would like to extend a warm welcome to our returning, as well as our new students and families. All staff members at Glen Morris are also recharged and ready for a new school year. We bring our positive energy and dedication to excellence and look forward to working with you and your children this year.

Each school year brings with it positive changes. This year we have two new staff members joining the Glen Morris Team. We would like to welcome Mrs. Coultres, our Educational Assistant and Mrs. Kitchen, our new Learning Resource Teacher. We are fortunate to have them be part of the school team.

In terms of classrooms changes, we had to undergo some last-minute changes as per Board direction. Such changes and student placements are considered very carefully. Our teachers at Glen Morris consider the academic, social and emotional well-being of all students to create well-balanced and equitable classrooms. I would like to thank you for all your patience and understanding in helping your children adjust to changes as they happen. All our staff at Glen Morris work extremely hard to make each day a positive experience for ALL children.

It remains an honour and a privilege to serve as your Principal. I look forward to seeing you at meet the teacher night scheduled for Sept. 13th.

Kind Regards,  
Ms. Reuben

### **Meet the Teacher Night**

Our Meet the Teacher event is scheduled for Thursday, **Sept. 13th, 2018 between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.** We value our connections with parents and families and look forward to seeing you all then.

### **Current Student Information/Emergency Dismissal Sheets**

This form will be sent home Thursday, September 13th, 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. Parents of students in Kindergarten will receive information through a weekly Friday File. **Please return** this folder for reuse each week.

Students from SK/1 through 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.



Can you help?

Glen Morris runs a literacy program called Strong Start which is designed to give an extra boost to SK, 1 and 2 students who need a little more help with letters, sounds and words. The program runs through volunteers who come in for 1 hour once a week for 10 weeks and work one-to-one with students. That's right, just 1 hour a week is all we are asking to help give support to those who need it. If interested, please contact Mrs. Kitchen. Thank you!

### **Volunteer Police Checks**

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



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](http://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 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, who take great care of our children. Thank you Julie, Ron, and new this year, Larry.

**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.

## Grand Erie District School Board: Focus on Equity in 2018-19

In 2016, Grand Erie approved a new strategic direction to guide the work that the school board is doing. At the centre of this Multi-Year Plan is *Success for Every Student*. Grand Erie will achieve *Success for Every Student* through a focus on students and staff in a culture of high expectations. The six indicators that support Grand Erie's Multi-Year Plan are: Achievement, Well-Being, Equity, Environment, Technology and Community.

This year, to demonstrate the embodiment of the Multi-Year Plan, Grand Erie has created a video series focusing on Equity, one of the six indicators. Equity is a part of everything Grand Erie does, from the supports provided to students and staff, to the events and activities the board honours and celebrates. Equity is a guiding force. These videos tell just four of the many stories of students and staff embracing Equity.

This first video highlights Matt Peaire, a Simcoe Composite School student who came out as transgender in Grade 11, and found support in his Guidance Teacher Jason Dale.

Watch Matt's Story here <https://bit.ly/2C1RZa5>

For more info on the Multi-Year Plan visit <https://bit.ly/2or827z>



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 Nominations and Elections

*All parent/guardians are invited to attend the Parent Council Nomination/Election Night on Tuesday September 11th 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.*

### SCHOOL CASH ON-LINE

Glen Morris Central Public School phased in the cashless payment system which is a Grand Erie District School Board requirement. This on-line 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.

For our new JK students and other new students to our school they will require an OEN to be assigned prior to registering your child for the on-line payment system. As soon as the numbers are set up, we will send home the instructions on how to register your child for the program.



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



## **2018/2019 Kids Zone After School Program Information**

### **Now Located at Glen Morris Centennial Hall- 17 Dunbar Street**

Glen Morris Program Phone- 519-754-5746

The County of Brant Kid Zone After School program provides children with an opportunity to be more physically active, learn about healthy living and healthy eating. This program receives funding from Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Sport and National Child Benefit. Program participants will receive a nutritious snack as part of program

**NEW this year the Kids Zone After School Program will be a paid program.**

**The cost is \$40.00/ month per child.**

**\*Participants must attend a minimum of 2 days a week**

#### **Payment information**

Scheduled payments will be due on the first of every month. No refund given for schools closure i.e. snow days.

Register with [C.O.B Connect!](#) For 2018/2019 there are three options for payment;

1) Register online and pay in full (scheduled payments are not available online).

2) Register in person at any County of Brant Customer Service office; pay in full or book-now, pay-later to make monthly payments.

3) Register over the phone by calling 519-442-1818 and select book-now, pay-later option to make monthly payments.



If you have any other questions, please call the program co-ordinator.

**Courtney Tobey**

Program Coordinator, Community & Protective Services Department,  
County of Brant

### **Before and After School Day Care**

Due to low registrations, the Before and After Program has been cancelled. If you are interested in this program for the future, please contact Meghan Blunden at [holyfamily@parischildcare.ca](mailto:holyfamily@parischildcare.ca) or 519.442.5850.