

GATOR NEWS WEEKLY SEPTEMBER 21, 2023



As we work together to create a school full of WONDER, we invite all families to join together in exploring the beautiful world around us. Soon our beautiful lands will be covered in a snow blanket. Now is the time to get outside and explore our beautiful community together as a family! What do you WONDER about as you explore in nature...?

Below are a few reminders, information items, events and activities coming up at the SWAMP...



<u>TERRY FOX RUN</u> - tomorrow (Friday, September 22). We invite students to bring a toonie for Terry or consider donating at this link: <u>https://schools.terryfox.ca/NorthGlenmoreElementary</u>.

Our school goal is to raise \$1500... Go GATORS!

<u>Earth Rangers</u> - On Friday, September 29 we will invite the Earth Rangers to the SWAMP. Earth Rangers are a children's conservation organization dedicated to educating students about threats to biodiversity. They will bring live animals to demonstrate their amazing natural behaviours and will host two assemblies (primary students AM, and intermediate students PM).

Book Fair: The annual NGE Book Fair is coming to the library from Oct. 3-5. This is the main fundraiser for our library programs. The money raised helps to pay for classroom books, author visits, the Battle of the Books program, Geography Challenge prizes, and, of course, new library books! We need parent volunteers to help us run the book fair. Here is a link to sign up for different time slots: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445ADAE2FABF94-ngebook

As a thank you to our volunteers, we will have a special "early bird" shopping event for our volunteers only on Friday, September 29 - BEFORE the book fair opens to everyone. **Thank you for supporting our library!**

<u>PARKING?!?!</u> We continue to remind parents/guardians that our staff parking lot is ONLY FOR STAFF. Please do not exit your vehicle for any reason when on school grounds unless your handicapped permit is visible. Also, please do NOT use the upper loop as a shortcut through our parking lot. Thank you for helping keep our students and staff safe and leaving parking stalls available for our staff members arriving throughout the day (including the END of the day).



ORANGE SHIRT DAY - staff and students are encouraged to wear Orange Shirts on Friday, September 29 in honour of National Truth & Reconciliation Day. Remember that our STAT holiday in lieu of Truth & Reconciliation Day is Monday, October 2... schools will be closed.

Entering the Building? A reminder that all guests in our building must come to the office to sign in. As our school continues to grow, it is imperative that all visitors are easily identifiable.

Parents should check in even if they are walking children to classrooms. This is a health & safety requirement to keep us all safe at NGE.

PAC HOT LUNCH - Once again the PAC will be sponsoring a hot lunch fundraiser on Wednesdays for students in grades 1-6. Sign up details to come soon.

<u>Winter Concert 2023!</u> Parents have been wondering if NGE will be hosting a Winter Concert this year. We are excited that the answer is YES! Our plan is to host afternoon performances from Monday - Thursday during the week of December 11 - 14. Students will perform on one of those 4 days depending on their last name. More details to come... mark your calendars for that week!

- Individual Photo Day: Tuesday, September 26

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- Book Fair October 3 5
- Student Led Conferences: 12:30 dismissal Wednesday, Oct. 4 & Thursday Oct. 5
- Implementation Day: Friday, October 6 No School for Students
- Thanksgiving Day: Monday, October 9 Schools Closed



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