

North Glenmore Elementary

"Home of the Gators"



April
2021

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What's New at the SWAMP?

A picture says a thousand words. What a month we have had with the construction site fire and the accompanying state of emergency. We are grateful to all of you for your patience and flexibility as we navigated through a challenging week with smoky homes and school, looming cranes and closed roads and walking corridors. Throughout the process we maintained our safety expectations and for that we are grateful. This past month we also heard that North Glenmore continues to GROW. You have likely noticed they are preparing to add another portable to our site and we have been given the go ahead to create a school organization with 27 divisions next year.

Moving & Student Placement

Are you planning to move? If your child(ren) will not be attending NGE next school year for any reason, please let the school know ASAP. We will be placing students into classes for next year in the months ahead. Thank you for keeping us informed of any planned changes to your living arrangements. Parents will also be beginning to think about what is best for their children in terms of their class placement for 2021/2022. While there are many things that must be considered when we make up classes, and we are somewhat limited in what we can do to accommodate 'wish lists', we encourage parents to be involved and provide information that will help us make good decisions. We always want to do what is best for children and families and therefore value any requests for placement that involve grade/class configuration, and those that involve a preferred placement regarding another child or friends. **However, we cannot consider requests for specific teachers**, and requests must have an educationally sound explanation behind them. **We will gladly be accepting requests in writing up until May 21st, 2021.**

Early Learning for Families (ELFF)

Wednesday, April 21st, 4-5 pm

Parents of 3 and 4 year olds. Hope to see you tonight! **For further information, please call the school at 250-870-5128.**

Parent Appreciation

Thursday, May 13

Parents/Guardians, please mark your calendars for the morning of Thursday, May 13th. Our staff want to host an event to show you how much we appreciate your support. Staff will be offering covid friendly smoothies to parents as you arrive on our school grounds that morning. More details to come ...



NGE Students of the "Loft" (Grade 4 Learning Community and Mrs. Burton's class) had a Cereal Boxes domino challenge. Nearly 300 boxes of cereal were donated to the Food Bank! <3 Well done!



MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS DURING INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

These should be for emergencies only.

Helpful Hints:

- **Family designated meeting spot (in case you are late for pick-up)** . Students are supervised until 2:45pm. After this time, students who have not been picked up should come to the office to call home.
- **Review after school arrangements before school starts.** Play dates must be made from home before school begins. Please do not have the office arrange play dates for you.
- **Student Agendas are a great tool for clear communication.**



Thank you to our families that have already established a routine for after school. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation.



Story Walk - Unplug & Play Week 2021 - Childhood Connections

Unplug and Play week takes place in the Central Okanagan April 18th-24th 2021. Book & Park List. All books will be displayed at their respective parks from April 16-26, 2021 for Unplug & Play week! Please click on the link for more details:

<https://childhoodconnections.ca/earlyyearspartnership/story-walks/april2021/>

Earth Day



Thursday, April 22nd, Earth Day.

Challenge yourself to think about our planet in terms of issues like resource use, ecological footprint, pollution, and caring for our environment.

What can you do to celebrate and protect the Earth that we depend on?



PARKING AT OUR SCHOOLS



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Vehicle parking and stopping habits can create hazards putting students at increased risk of injury.

In an effort to decrease the risk to our students, you are being asked to follow some basic parking/stopping rules. Parking restrictions and marked areas on the roads are there for a reason - to keep children safe.

The preferred option when dropping off or picking up your children is to park away from the site and take a short walk to the gates.

If you must park near to the school and space is limited, please follow the rules.

- **Do NOT** park within 5 meters of driveways.
- **Do NOT** park across dropped curbs or driveways.
- **Do NOT** double park.
- **Do NOT** park on footpaths.
- **Do NOT** stop to drop kids off in the center of the road.
- **DO NOT** LEAVE CAR UNATTEND IN THE KISS AND DROP area!
- **DO NOT** do a U-turn in the middle of Snowsell!
- **Always** abide by the restriction signs
-only park in permitted areas.
- **PLEASE** park safely and be considerate of children, parents and residents by not causing an obstruction.

Regional Traffic Safety Officer

North Glenmore PAC News

SOLD OUT - Family Photo Fundraiser

Saturday, May, 1st
 Dilworth Mountain Park, located on Chilcotin Cres.
 \$75.00 / 20 High Res Digital Images
 \$25 / session donated to the school
 20-minute sessions
PetersCamera@Yahoo.ca to book

Family Pizza Night Fundraiser

Domino's Pizza - **Glenmore Location Only**
 Thursday May 6th
 Watch for the flyer with a special ordering code coming home soon!
 \$5 / order donated to the school

Mabel's Labels Fundraiser

Continuously running
 Clothing, water bottle, shoes and lunch kit name labels
 Visit campaigns.mabelslabels.com
 Search our school name
 Purchase online, and enjoy free delivery to your home

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Yearbook

Pre-Orders ONLY

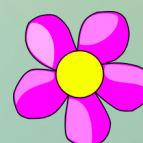
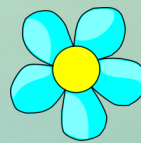
Deadline to Order Yearbooks is **MAY 1, 2021**

Order through: <http://nge.hotlunch.net>

Hard Covers \$35

Soft Covers \$25

To keep up-to-date with the latest NGE PAC news, please follow us on Facebook!
 North Glenmore Elementary PAC: https://www.facebook.com/ngelPAC/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

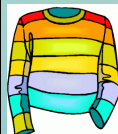


Spring Playground Activities

Our students are gearing up for Spring with lots of great ideas for playground fun! The following reminders will help students play safely at NGE:

- Roller blades, skateboards, scooters and bicycles must be walked on the playground during school hours (8:00am - 3:00pm)
 - Students should not play close to the parking lot.
- Safe Play is important at NGE! We are very proud of the good sportsmanship and safe play that our students have shown over the year! **Keep it up!**

School Dress Code



With the warmer weather approaching, North Glenmore Staff would like to remind our students of our school dress code which is part of our Code of Conduct. We request that students come to school wearing clothing that is clean & suitable for school. Clothing or temporary tattoos featuring violent or offensive pictures or words or promoting alcohol/drug use are inappropriate for a positive elementary school learning environment. 'Beach wear' (eg. bathing suits) are not appropriate. (NOTE: Students may be asked to change or cover up). Hats should be removed when indoors. Please use foot wear that is suitable for playing outside (no high heels, sports cleats; although flip-flops and sandals may be fine for inside wear, footwear suitable for running and use on playground equipment is necessary for playing during lunch and recess).



Tick Season

Tick season will be upon us sooner than we know it. For tick prevention, pay special attention to your pets and yourself. When exploring the outdoors always cover yourself from head to toe, and wear light-colored clothing so you can spot ticks more easily if they do get on you. Search yourself thoroughly, particularly at the base of your skull, and wash your clothes immediately after returning home.



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AGES: 9/ 10 YRS + UP

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COUNCIL MANUAL AND WALL CERTIFICATE**

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HOME SAFETY RULES
EMERGENCY 911
FIRE SAFETY
STRANGER AWARENESS
STREET PROOFING & SAFETY
SAFETY TO AND FROM SCHOOL
YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES**

BABYSITTING COURSE- \$65
AGES: 10 YRS + UP

**Each student will receive a Canada Safety
Council Manual and wall/wallet certificate**

RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT &
BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS**

CARING FOR THE CHILD

NUTRITION

SAFETY AND BASIC FIRST AID

HANDLING EMERGENCIES

AND MORE....



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