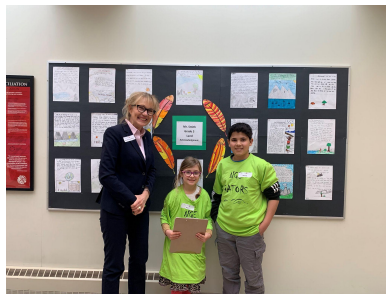


# North Glenmore Elementary Gator News February 2023

## Building a Caring Community

We were so excited to share our school and community student learning plan with some very special guests on February 27, 2023. Trustee Fraser, Deputy Superintendent Beaudry and Assistant Superintendent Lalonde (pictured below) were joined by several members of our PAC members (Shawna, Shoranik, Jenifer Berkhiem and Jamie Zecchel) to hear from students, staff and the admin team about all the wonderful learning taking place at NGE this year! A huge thank you to our planning team and to those students who were tour guides and spoke with our guests during our afternoon presentation. Together we learn here at NGE!



**ARE YOU MOVING?** As we start preparing for the school year ahead, we need to know how many students we will see next fall here at the SWAMP. Our staffing meetings happened shortly and so if you have any plans of relocating this summer so your children would attend another school, it is really important for us to know of this as soon as possible. Please contact the office or speak with your child's teacher so we can make a note of any possible moves. As we begin to think about student placement for next year, there are so many things to consider to make up balanced classrooms. We ask that you trust us to place students where we believe they will thrive based on their strengths and stretches. We value any feedback parents may have about their child's learning but we will **NOT be able to accept requests for specific teachers or to place your child with friends**. We ask that you speak with your child's teacher to talk about any placement considerations for the year ahead or send an email to the office for consideration. We will always do our best to place your child in a class that will suit their learning needs and learning style. Thank you for trusting this process.



**SD23 budget Feedback requested:** Please find below the public budget survey link for feedback on the 2023/2024 preliminary budget process. The due date for the survey is March 3, 2023 at 11:59 pm. [Click here to take the survey.](#)

**SMART WATCHES** It has come to our attention that some students are starting to wear smartwatches that allow them to listen to music, play games and take pictures. Please note that these smartwatches are considered technology which falls under our school code of conduct. Appropriate tech use

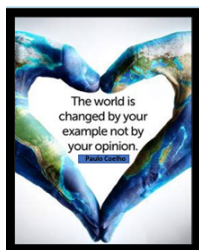
states ALL tech must ONLY be used for EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES. If used inappropriately, school staff have the right to collect said device and keep it safe until the end of the day. If issues continue, parents will be contacted to pick up and keep at home.



**Kiss & Drop Reminders:** Our Kiss & Drop has been running well lately thank you to everyone who remembers to pull as far forward as you can before having your child exit your vehicle. Please DO NOT allow your child to exit your vehicle before you cross the **pedestrian crossing** near the lower loop of the Kiss and drop. Also, drivers... please DO NOT get out of your vehicle for any reason. If your child requires extra assistance to exit your vehicle, please park in the community and do not use the Kiss and Drop loop.

**No idle zone** - thank you parents for respecting our neighbours and the environment by not leaving your cars running if you are parked on the street waiting for the end of the school day.

**GATOR SCHOOL SONG** ~ Andrew Allen, a multi-platinum singer/songwriter, visited our students here at North Glenmore in 2021. He spent some time creating a song with our students, called '**We Are North Glenmore**'. This is available to download on all music streaming platforms. We encourage you to check it out ... and sing along with your family! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pspbajjTYMo>



**ELFF - Early learning for Families** is a program designed for families with children aged 3-5 years old. At NGE we will host our ELFF night for families on Wednesday, **Apr 19, 2023** from 4 - 5 pm. Please mark your calendars! We will ask families to RSVP to the school office if they plan to attend (250 - 870-5128). We will also host a Welcome to Kindergarten event later in the spring for families whose children will begin kindergarten in September 2023. More information will be sent to those families who have registered.

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## **PAC Info:**

**NGE Spring Fair: June 9th, 4:00-7:00 pm RAIN OR SHINE.**

- **4 Bounce Castles, Face Paint & Glitter Tattoos, Sand Art, Games and Activities, Prizes, Treat & Food trucks, Raffle Baskets, 50/50 Cash Draw**

Looking for volunteers to run stations, help supervise and to help with clean-up.

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094cadaa29a2f5c16-spring#/>

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**NGE yearbooks** are now available on the Hot Lunch Website!

A beautiful 72-page spread featuring ALL grades! Purchase yours today using your hot lunch account! (\$30.00 for Softcover, \$35.00 for Hardcover). Yearbooks will be sent home at the end of June.

**Did you know you can upload photos directly to our yearbook builder?**

Our coordinators welcome any content to use in the 2022/2023 book. All photos uploaded MUST be of NGE students only and have been taken at the school! (no older or younger siblings outside of NGE current enrollment)

<https://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/> School Code: NGE

We do not need to know the student's name, so in the required field you can put any character to void that requirement. Please list the grade! That is helpful for us to determine the photo placement in the book.

### **PAC NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!**

The PAC still has two executive positions available: Secretary (available immediately and easy peasy!) & Treasurer (start date September 2023, bookkeeping knowledge/experience necessary). If you would like to apply for either of these positions, please email [Nge.PacPresident@sd23.bc.ca](mailto:Nge.PacPresident@sd23.bc.ca). For details about the responsibilities for each position, please visit this link: [Roles, Responsibilities, and Accountability of PAC and DPAC Executives](#)

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### **Community Sports Activities:**



**MICRO BALLERS**


SPRING LEAGUE  
APRIL 2ND - JUNE 18TH

Birthdates (age): 2016, 2017, 2018

REGISTER AT [WWW.GOCOVOTES.CA/microballers](http://WWW.GOCOVOTES.CA/microballers)

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**JUMP INTO Spring AT OGC**

**SPRING CLASSES**

Spring Session runs from  
April 3 - June 25

Check out our class offerings at  
[okanagangymnastics.com](http://okanagangymnastics.com)  
and sign up online!

**SPRING BREAK CAMPS**

Week 1: March 20-24  
Week 2: March 27-31

**\$300 per week**

A fun-filled week of gymnastics, crafts, activities,  
pizza lunch and a movie on Friday!

Questions? ☎ 250.765.0888 ✉ [info@okanagangymnastics.com](mailto:info@okanagangymnastics.com)



**CROWS MINI RUGBY**

SUNDAY MORNINGS 9AM -11AM  
APRIL 16 - JUNE 11 2023  
AGES 3 - 13

COME JOIN THE KELOWNA CROWS  
AND BE PART OF THE GREATEST  
SPORT ON EARTH! GET ACTIVE.  
LEARN NEW SKILLS, MAKE NEW  
FRIENDS AND BE PART OF THE  
AMAZING KELOWNA RUGBY  
COMMUNITY

[HTTPS://RUGBYCANADA.SPORTLOMO.COM/](https://RUGBYCANADA.SPORTLOMO.COM/)

REGISTRATION STARTS AT \$90 FOR CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP, A WEEK PROGRAM, TRAINING  
IN THE FALL AND T-SHIRT!

## **Mark Your Calendars:**

**Tues, March 14 - Learning Summaries go home**

**Fri, March 17 - Sd23 enrollment for 23/24 school year ends**

**March 20 - 31 - SPRING BREAK - School closed**

**Mon, April 3 - First day back after the break**

**Mon, April 3 - Cultural Performance, The Magician & the Muse**

**Fri, April 7 - Good Friday, Schools Closed**

**Mon, April 10 - Easter Monday, Schools Closed**

**Wed, April 19 - Early Learning for Families (ELFF) 4 pm**

**Thurs, April 27 - Class Photos**

**Wed, May 24 - Apple Bowl for NGE students**



**NGE G.A.T.O.R.S. are:**

**Generous-Academic-Trustworthy-Organized-Respectful-Safe**