

GLENELM SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The first term has officially come to an end and it's on to the next! It was nice to see the great turnout of parents and guardians who attended our conference meetings to learn about their children's work and progress in the classrooms. I hope you were able to share your wonderings and questions with our teachers. I know our teachers appreciate your input to ensure we can collectively support your children in being successful in school.

The Seven Teachings for the month of December is "Respect" which is represented by the Buffalo. To me, "Respect" is showing I can be polite, I can listen, I can appreciate, I can be open-minded, I can respect boundaries, I can acknowledge differences, and I can help others. Respect can be shown in different ways at home, in school, and in the general public. What does respect look like to you and your family?

Initiated by our student body and in partnership with PAC, I am excited to inform you that we have taken on a project to fundraise for an outdoor swing set to promote physical activity and mental health in our school. This project will cost us approximately \$25,000 to complete. Grants have been applied for and we will be engaging in numerous fundraising activities moving forward to help with this initiative and hoping we can enlist your support! Our first fundraising will be a raffle for 2 tickets to the Winnipeg Jets vs. Minnesota Wild in the Bud Lounge for December 30th. Please watch your email for more information!

I would like to extend an invitation to all parents and guardians to join us at our Winter Concert on Tuesday, December 19th. There will be two opportunities for you to watch the show on this day, one at 1:30pm and the other at 6:30pm. This is a great time to gather, sing, and celebrate with us all the wonderful learning your children has done for the year 2023!

I wish our families a joy-filled Christmas and a New Year brimming with love, laughter, and cherished time of togetherness.

Enjoy the holidays everyone!

Lenin Mangaron,
Principal

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Friday, December 1

School-Based

In-Service

NO CLASSES

Thursday, December 19

at 1:30pm and 6:30pm

WINTER CONCERT

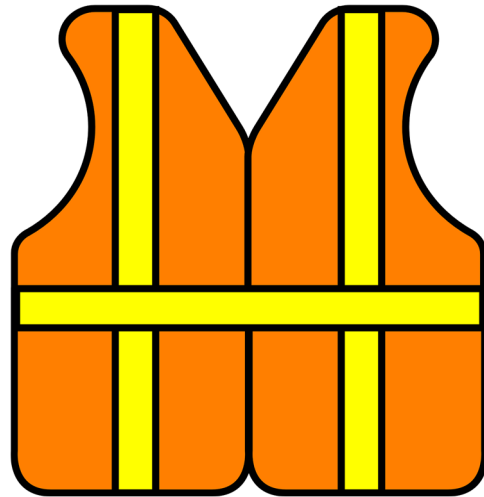


WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

Our patrols have been doing a fabulous job!

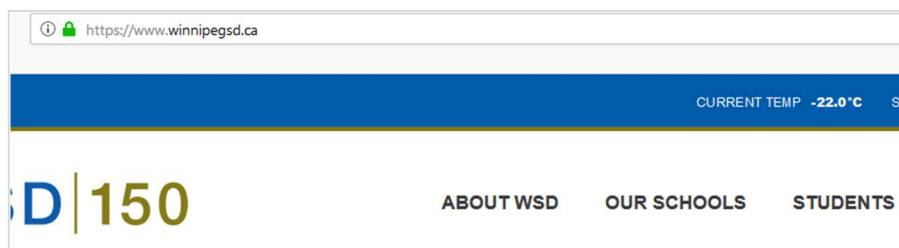
As the weather gets colder, please ensure that you are dressed properly to stay warm and dry. Also very important as the ice and snow arrive, please remind your kiddos to remain off of snowbanks and homeowners yards. Patrols, and students crossing, need to be standing back from the edge of the road by at least three big steps, unless safely crossing the street.

Patrols, please remember to exchange numbers with other patrols, in the event that you need to call for a sub.



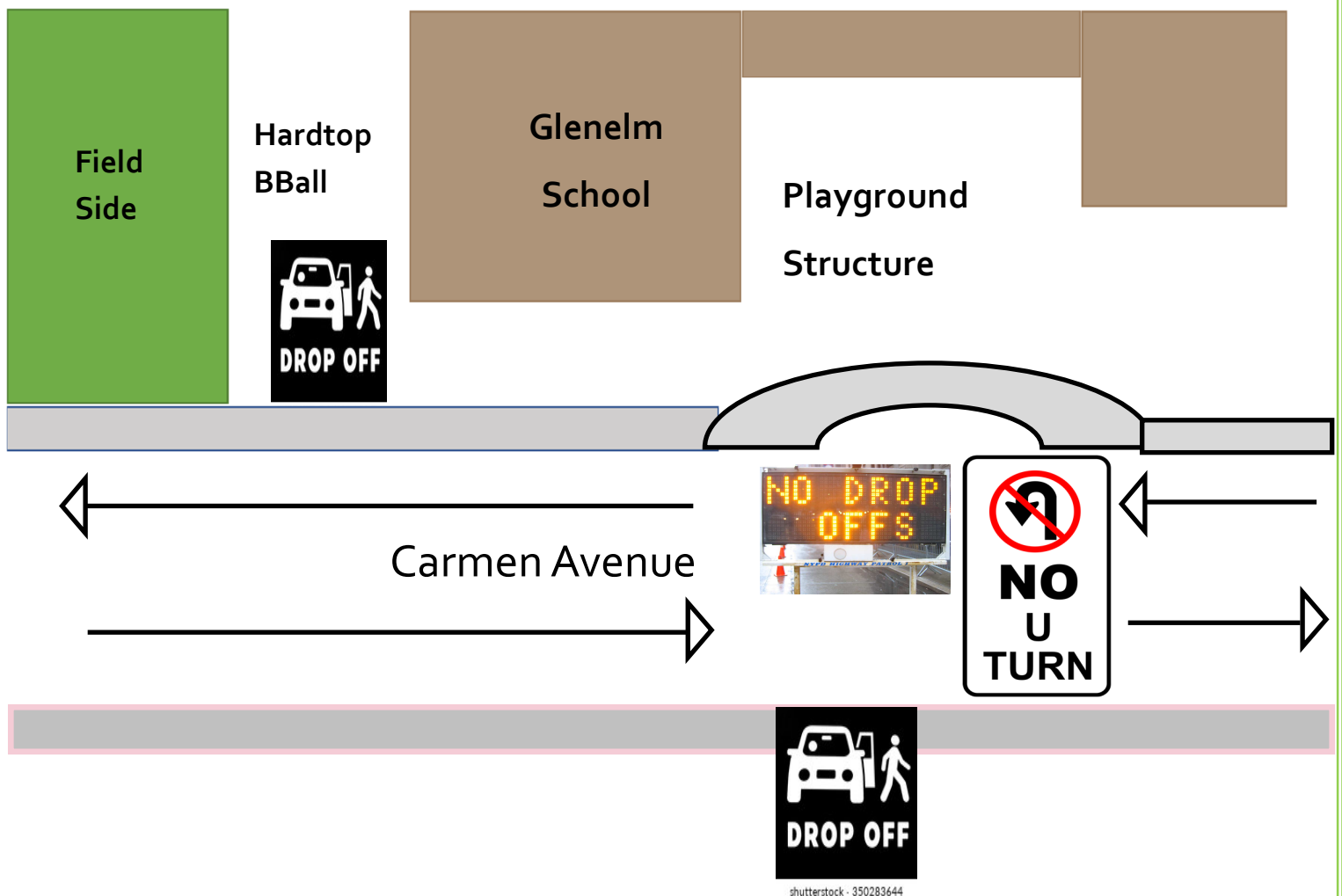
When the temperature or windchill is -35 degrees Celsius or colder, there will be NO patrols at their street corner street posts.

The Winnipeg School Division uses the **Environment Canada temperature reading at The Forks as a guideline**. Weather information is updated hourly and can be found on the Environment Canada Information line at 983-2050 or www.weatheroffice.gc.ca
Or go to the WSD Website and click on the temperature to see with the wind chill.



Drop Off & Pick Up Information

We would like to create more of a safe drop off area for our students at Glenelm School between the times of 8:45am - 9:00am, 12:45pm - 1:00pm, and 3:30pm -3:40pm. Please see the map below and yield to the following signs.



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A big THANK YOU to Coles and ALL Who supported our Indigo Love of Reading Fundraiser, through Coles Bookstore in Kildonan Place Mall. They helped us raise an amazing \$1200 to purchase books for our school library. The staff at Coles also donated a few of their favourite books! We are very thankful for their generosity.



Thank you to all of our families for your support of our 3rd Annual Scholastic Book Fair. We surpassed our previous records, selling over \$2700, earning \$733.00 in books for our classrooms. AMAZING!

Also, a big congratulations to Jacob in Room 8, for winning the Family Event Door Prize, earning \$25 in free books for the family, and \$25 in books for the classroom....way to go!!



Glenelm School Parent Advisory Council NEWS

Fundraiser Report:

We had 35 orders placed with a total of 52 bundles ordered. We also had 22 bundles donated to Winnipeg Harvest. PAC made a profit of \$745. We had 7 volunteers helping to unload and sort 787 pounds of produce! A big thank you to everyone who ordered.



All Glenelm families are welcome to attend PAC meetings. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, December 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. Reminder to please complete the PAC survey to help remove barriers to PAC participation by following this link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTsSKOHoV3XAlrQ7F8WEIwa8kCLNZCMFBxWlQ1R4rtFTh9EA/viewform?>

Winnipeg Jets Raffle Tickets:

PAC will be selling raffle tickets to win 2 tickets for the December 30th Winnipeg Jets vs. Minnesota Wild game at 1pm! The winner will be drawn at the December 19th Winter Concert. Keep an eye on your email for more information coming soon.



Indigenous Academic Success

Happy Winter Solstice!

In this period of darkness, the winter solstice is an opportunity to go inward with deep intention, to take care of our selves, bodies and minds, loved ones and families, and to prepare for the longer days ahead.

This month Glenelm school has been engaging students to participate in the Land Acknowledgment during morning announcements. Our school is committed to integrating Indigenous languages into our educational space and so different versions of *Oh Canada* are played to include Indigenous voices.

Room 8 conducted an inquiry using the text; Ojibway Clan systems: Animal Totems and Spirits. Students learned that animal totems help identify the different responsibilities that each clan has in supporting and leading a community. The different animal totems represent specific clans and are very important for the tribes to function as a whole in good relations. Students also studied the art of Mark Anthony Jacobson and created their own piece using his drawing style.

Room 1 Learned about the importance of Indigenous Veterans Day and how Indigenous men were not drafted but instead choose to volunteer for a country that at that time still denied them basic human rights. Students were able understand how returning Indigenous veterans were able to fight for more rights and win the right to vote as well as repeal some aspects of the Indian act.

The Indigenous academic success committee is currently planning some special events which will be announced in the new year.

- Ms. Garand, room 1





Do not Walk, Skate, or Play on on Frozen Retention Ponds

Retention ponds are never safe to use for winter recreation activities. Ice conditions can change quickly without warning, and falling through the ice can be deadly. Remind your children to stay away from frozen retention ponds. Keep dogs on leashes when walking near a retention pond so they don't run onto the ice.



Do not walk, skate, or play on frozen retention ponds. Talk to your children about staying away from the ice.



Do not place hockey nets, benches, light structures, or any other items on a frozen retention pond. To report a structure or item on a retention pond, contact 311.



If you see someone on a retention pond, call 911.

Water from snowmelt or nearby water main breaks can drain into retention ponds. This water is often mixed with street salts, which can cause ice to melt and thin unevenly. This water enters retention ponds from underneath the ice, resulting in thinning of ice that can't be seen from the surface.

www.winnipeg.ca/retentionponds

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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| | | | | 1 - DAY 3 SCHOOL BASED IN-SERVICE NO CLASSES |
| 4 - DAY 4 | 5 - DAY 5 PAC MEETING | 6 - DAY 6 | 7 - DAY 1 | 8 - DAY 2 |
| 11 - DAY 3 | 12 - DAY 4 | 13 - DAY 5 | 14 - DAY 6 | 15 - DAY 1 |
| 18 - DAY 2 | 19 - DAY 3 WINTER CONCERT 1:30 & 6:30 | 20 - DAY 4 | 21 - DAY 5 | 22 - DAY 6 LAST DAY OF CLASSES |
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| WINTER BREAK - - - DECEMBER 25 —▶ JANUARY 5 | | | | |
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