

GLENELM NEWSLETTER

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Dear Glenelm Families,

May is an exciting time at Glenelm School, filled with opportunities for students and families to connect, celebrate, and learn together. We are pleased to share several special events happening throughout the month:

Welcome to Kindergarten (May 13) – We are excited to meet our learners and their families! This event offers a chance to explore school, meet staff, and learn more about what a typical kindergarten day looks like at Glenelm. It's a great first step in building a strong and positive start to school life.

Wahkotowin Day (May 15) – A meaningful day centered on the Cree concept of Wahkotowin, which emphasizes kinship, relationships, and respect for all living things. Students, staff and community will engage in Indigenous land-based learning experiences, cultural teachings, and activities that foster a deeper understanding of community, connection, and reconciliation. Lunch will also be provided for all.

Talent Show (May 22) – Come see our students shine as they share their unique talents on stage! From singing and dancing to creative performances, this is a wonderful opportunity for students to build confidence and celebrate one another's gifts in a supportive environment.

PAC Community BBQ (June 3) – Join us for an evening of great food, fun games, and connection! This is a fantastic opportunity for families, students, and staff to come together, build relationships, and celebrate our vibrant school community in a relaxed and welcoming setting.

You and your families are warmly invited to take part in these special moments with us. We look forward to celebrating together!

Lenin Mangaron, Principal

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

glenelmschoolpac@gmail.com

Please check your email for more PAC information including the April minutes, May agenda, and a PAC newsletter. Join us at our next Parent Advisory Council meeting on Thursday, May 7th at 6:00 pm in the school library.

Our biggest event of the year is coming up! Join us on Wednesday, June 3 for our Annual Community BBQ. This event will also feature our Silent Auction, which helps fund fun activities such as face painting, field activities, and other extras for our students and families.

UPCOMING EVENTS

* NO SCHOOL

Friday, May 8

Divisional
In-Service

* WAHKOHTOWIN DAY

Friday, May 15

* NO SCHOOL

Monday, May 18

Victoria Day

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Glenelm PAC is looking for a few more volunteers to help sort Glenlea plants on Wednesday, May 6 from 1:00–2:30 PM (approx.). The work involves some bending and light lifting—and it's a fun way to support our school community!

PLANT PICK UP REMINDER

Families who ordered plants can pick them up in the school gym from 3:30–5:30 PM that same day.

Interested in helping?

Email us at glenelmschoolpac@gmail.com





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MS. ANGEL

Young Designers in Action!

It has been an incredible season of building, testing, and discovery at Glenelm School! Our students have stepped into the shoes of engineers, scientists, and explorers to tackle some truly impressive challenges. Here is a look at what each grade level has been up to:

Kindergarten: Exploring Trees

Our Kindergarteners have been learning all about trees by touching different types of bark and wood, sketching our observations, and diving into books to spark new questions.

- STEAM Challenge: Students partnered up to engineer treehouses using LEGO, Plus-Plus blocks, and magnetic tiles.
- Outdoor Learning: We are using our senses to connect with the land and have officially started our Nature Journals to record the beautiful things we see outside. We can't wait to see how our journals grow as we continue our nature studies!

Room 7: To Infinity and Beyond!

Our Grade 1 designers took to the skies! Students partnered up to plan, engineer, and design paper rockets. We tested them to see just how far they could fly, learning about force and teamwork along the way.

What's Next? We are shifting our focus from the stars to the soil! We will soon begin exploring the characteristics of living things and getting our hands dirty with some planting projects.



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Room 5: The Great Bridge Challenge

Could you build a bridge using only 10 sheets of paper and 30cm of tape? Our Grade 2 and 3 students did!

Their mission was to create a stable structure that could hold weight for at least 10 seconds. Every single group rose to the challenge, working together to ensure their designs were strong and steady. Their designs were truly incredible!

Room 1: Connecting with the Land

Our Grade 3 and 4 students have been focusing on Sound and our connection to the environment. We took our learning outside for a "Sit Spot" session, using our senses to connect with the land. Students recorded what they saw, heard, touched, and smelled in their journals.

What's next? Driven by student interest, our next project involves using recycled materials to design and build miniature indoor playgrounds and amusement parks!

Room 6: Defying Gravity

Gravity has been the big question for our Grade 4 and 5 explorers. To see gravity in action, students were challenged to engineer a design using only paper and tape that would fall as slowly as possible. There was so much laughter and excitement during the testing phase as we watched their unique designs drift to the ground!

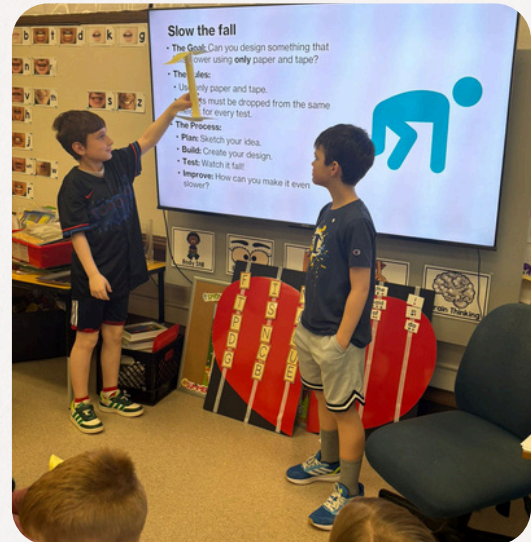
Room 8: The Survivor Series

The Survivor challenges continue to test the creativity and grit of our oldest students. Most recently, we held a Survivor Food Auction.

- The Challenge: Students had to earn "money" by completing difficult tasks.
- The Event: They used their hard-earned currency to bid on mystery food items. The students did a fantastic job organizing and participating in this event. It was a huge hit!

STEAM AT GLENELM

science • technology • engineering art • math



GLENELM SCHOOL

Our Glenelm School Kindness Crew would like to offer their yard clean-up & beautification services to you as a thank you for being our neighbour!

Please contact Ms. Ferguson & the Student Council to set up a convenient time to meet and discuss your needs and the process. We are also looking for donations of rakes, gloves, yard waste bags etc.

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Wahkotowin Day

Friday, May 15, 2026



A Day of Indigenous Outdoor Learning

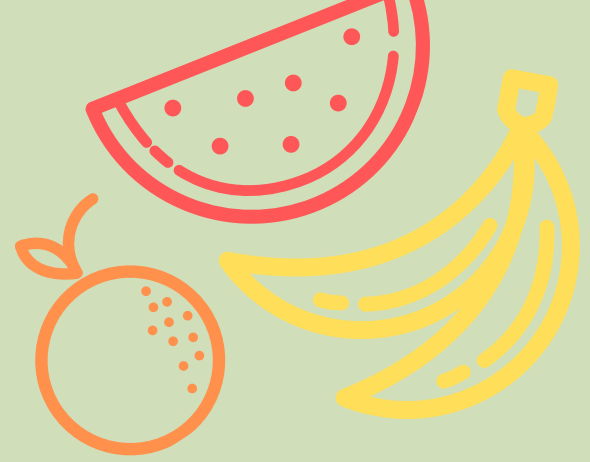
We are excited to invite you and your family to our 3rd Annual Wahkotowin Day! This special Indigenous outdoor learning celebration brings our school community together to connect with nature and each other. Families are warmly welcomed to join us for a day filled with hands-on activities and meaningful experiences in the outdoors.



Participants will rotate through stations to learn Indigenous outdoor gifts including fishing skills, knot tying skills, arts, Indigenous games and nature exploration. Lunch will be served from 12:00-1:00 pm. Please dress for the weather and bring a water bottle. We look forward to seeing you there!

You're Invited

MAY MENU



**THURSDAY,
MAY 7**

**Beef Tacos
Veggies
Milk**



**THURSDAY,
MAY 14**

**Grilled Cheese
Beef
Broccoli**

**FRIDAY,
MAY 15**

**Hamburger
Soup
Buns**

**THURSDAY,
MAY 21**

**Turkey Burger
Veggies**

**FRIDAY,
MAY 22**

**Pad Thai Rice
Broccoli
Yogurt**

**THURSDAY,
MAY 28**

**Chicken
Rice
Veggies
Yogurt**

**FRIDAY,
MAY 29**

**Mac & Cheese
Chicken
Veggies**

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS THEIR OWN
LUNCH IF THEY DO NOT WISH TO PARTICIPATE.**

MAY 2026

MON

TUES

WED

THURS

FRI

MAY 4
day 6

MAY 5
day 1

MAY 6
day 2

MAY 7
day 3

MAY 8
day 4

**PAC Fundraiser
Glenlea Plant
Pick-Up**

**PAC Meeting
6:00 pm in the
School Library**

No Classes

MAY 11
day 5

MAY 12
day 6

MAY 13
day 1

MAY 14
day 2

MAY 15
day 3

**Welcome to
Kindergarten**

**Wahkohtowin
Day**

MAY 18

Victoria Day

No School

MAY 19
day 4

MAY 20
day 5

MAY 21
day 6

MAY 22
day 1

Talent Show

MAY 25
day 2

MAY 26
day 3

MAY 27
day 4

MAY 28
day 5

MAY 29
day 6

**Assembly at
10:00 AM
All are
welcome to
attend**

INTRAMURALS

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8:00-9:00 AM
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Grade 4-6
Runner's Club
at Lunch

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