



FRIDAY NEWSLETTER
April 18, 2008

GPS Fundraiser - Saturday, April 12

**The net amount we raised at our April 12th fundraiser....
will be announced at Tues, April 22nd Earth Day assembly**

**Don't miss it!
Parents/Grandparents and Guardians please join us!**

Thank you to everyone for their contributions and donations!

Stella

Stella Davie and many volunteers worked extremely hard to pull off a great fundraiser. I know there were still many who were enjoying the event until the early hours of Sunday morning. Well done, everyone, and thank you all for your tremendous hard work. We all had a wonderful evening.

(re) Discover Glenfir – May 3rd

On Monday an invitation will be sent out to you all to come and enjoy our major event of the year, a Spring Barbeque designed to attract new families and to provide them, and you, with a wonderful opportunity to socialize with new and interested families, with the faculty and with each other. Each area of the school will be colourfully decorated with student work, and you can enjoy viewing the many projects our children have been working on, under the guidance of their respective teachers.

Outside, chefs will be on hand to provide you with a sizzling hamburger, hot off the BBQ, and a variety of refreshments will be available for parents and children to enjoy outdoors on what we hope will be a glorious, sunny day! There will be a variety of activities for guests to enjoy, including a climbing wall demonstration, (following our official opening of this facility), Smart board presentations, student-guided tours, a display of the computer laboratory and accompanying slide-show, and a host of outdoor activities as well. Since there are many areas in which we will need volunteer help, your cooperation in this regard would be greatly appreciated. If you have ideas of your own and can oversee or help with any activity, please contact Mrs. Taylor at your earliest convenience and let us know where you can be of assistance. .This promises to be a fun-filled afternoon. We hope to see all our Glenfir families come together for this great event!

Earth Day Activities at TGS – Tuesday, April 22

All members of our community are cordially invited to join our Earth Day assembly on Tuesday, April 22, starting at 8.30 am. Following is a list of all planned activities:

- History of Earth Day – Environment Club
- Earth Alphabet presentation – Environment Club
- Earth in poetry and speech
- The Value of Summerland’s ecosystem – TGS parent and biologist Lisa Scott
- The K-6 guide to Trees and the Greenhouse – grade 7 presentation
- Short Movie: “The Lorax” – Unless...
- Pledge sheets – Environment Club
- Tree planting!!

After assembly:

- Worm box composting – grade 1
- Gardening and Yard work – Glenfir parents

Star of the Week

Lexi Black is our new Glenfir G1 “Star of the Week”. Lexi is a graduate of our outstanding kindergarten program. Lexi is a highly talented reader and artist. Lexi performed many wonderful talents this week. She taught the class how to make mandelas which are sandworks done by Buddhist monks in order to celebrate good fortune. She taught the class how to write poems about animals using each letter of the animal’s name. Lexi and her mom treated all the G1 class, Mr. Steffler, Mrs. Bonten and Mrs. Taylor to a pancake breakfast. The students helped to create the batter. We had three choices for toppings!

At school Lexi likes to do math so that she can learn new things and be really smart. At home, Lexi likes to help her mother by doing her chores to keep her house clean.

When Lexi grows up, she would like to be a farmer’s doctor. She wants to help animals to keep them happy and healthy. Lexi loves nature and wants to work outside and be close to nature.

Lexi has been a tremendous SUPER STAR this week. We are very proud to have her in our G1 program. Well done Lexi!

Safe Learning Websites

Teachers are compiling an electronic bank of safe learning websites that will be posted on the Glenfir Website for students to use that can help with their learning and/or research in different subject areas.

We are asking parents to forward any appropriate safe websites that you are aware of. Please indicate what subject and grade level that the site would be suitable for.

Websites can be e-mailed to jindaleewebb@glenfir.com.

Thank you for your support!

Wear Your Jeans and Support a Worthy Cause:

April 24th. (Thursday) is Jeans Day, and we invite all students and faculty to bring in a donation and wear their jeans to school. All proceeds will go to the BC Children's Hospital Foundation. This is a wonderful opportunity to dress in casuals for the day and support a worthy cause at the same time!

Reminder

Would parents please check out our web site on a regular basis for updates as to what students are being required to do? www.glenfir.com . I am sure you will be pleasantly surprised.

Mrs. Cardin tells us that she is still in need of a variety of colors of latex paint. If you have a little leftover from one of your projects, she sure would appreciate it. Her classes are starting the first week of May.

Tips on Tick Bites

Interior Health offers the following tips to reduce the risk from ticks:

- Walk on cleared trails wherever possible when walking in tall grass or woods
- Wear a hat, long sleeves, pants and light covered clothing
- Tuck pant legs into socks or boots
- Use insect repellent containing DEET on all uncovered areas of skin.
- Carefully check clothing and scalp (covered or not) when leaving an area where ticks may live.

Safe removal of ticks: Use needle nose pliers being careful not to crush the tick's body as this may inject its contents into the skin. Grasp the tick close to the skin. Without squeezing, pull straight out. After removal, clean the area with soap and water. If you find one, check carefully for others; if you notice any rash or experience fevers, chills, or muscle aches, notify your doctor.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

April 21	Full Assembly 8:30 a.m. Full Dress Uniform Concert Band to Kiwanis Music Festival 8:45 a.m. Full Dress uniform for participants
April 22	Assembly 8:30 a.m. - Earth Day Celebrations. Full Dress. Hosted by Environmental Club.
April 23	G7-G12 CAPP – Duke of Ed trip prep K-G5 to Parkway musical “Music of the 50’s”
April 24	G9&10 to theatre and arts display in Kelowna
April 25	K to G3 sleepover with “Big Horn Sheep” ECO studies and art exploration
April 28	Full Assembly 8:30 a.m. Full Dress Uniform
April 29	G7 to G12 Duke of Ed trip
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May 1	G7 to G12 Duke of Ed trip
May 2	K to G3 Art/Science station exploration and sleep over in the gym: 2 p.m. Study guides G4 to G12
May 3	Family BBQ and Open House
May 5	Full Assembly 8:30 a.m. Full Dress Uniform
May 9	JK to G3 Family Appreciation Day: 1 p.m. in the library/stage area Outdoor Ed. K-G6 “Kids on the Black” 11:15 – 12:15 G9 class trip to Calgary
May 10	G6 Fair Trade Day at 10000 Villages G9 class trip to Calgary
May 11	G9 class trip to Calgary
May 12	Full Assembly 8:30 a.m. Full Dress Uniform
May 13	K to G3 Alligator Pie, Penticton Community Theatre; Lv. 9:15 a.m. for 10 a.m. start G7, G8 & G9 to White Lake Observatory and grasslands

Colour Legend:

- All Students
- JK
- Junior and Primary Schools (K-6)
- Senior School (7-12)
- Concert Band (5-12)
- Special Events
- Exams

APRIL	Monday 21	Tuesday 22	Wednesday 23	Thursday 24	Friday 25
8:15-11:05	Formal Dress for ALL students NO Assembly Kiwanis Music Festival Lv. 8:45 a.m.	Dry Land (Rowing) 6:30 a.m. at school Ms. Grahame and Mrs. Corbin Earth Day Assembly 8:30 a.m. hosted by the Environmental Club Full Dress for ALL students		Jeans Day – by donation to BC Children’s Hospital Foundation	
10:05-12:30			G7 to G12 CAPP – Duke of Ed trip prep K-G5 to Parkway School – Full Dress Lv. 10:15. Return 11:40		
Lunch 12:45-1:15	JK – G3 Gym Ms. Tina and Ms. Lindsey	Intramurals Mr. Korvin/Rick S. *Single and double table tennis tournaments 12:50 p.m. Jewellery Making Mrs. Nelson Mrs. Ogbes Ms. Webb	Intramurals Mr. Korvin/Rick S. *Single and double table tennis tournaments 12:50 p.m. JK Buddies K-G3 from the Puppet Club	Intramurals Mr. Korvin/Rick S. *Single and double table tennis tournaments 12:50 p.m. Jr. Choir Mrs. Webb French Tutorial G4 to G10 with Ms. Grahame	Intramurals Mr. Korvin/Rick S. *Single and double table tennis tournaments 12:50 p.m. Environmental Club Mrs. Ducharme Mr. Bakx
1:15-3:25			.		K to G3 ECO studies
Late Buses	LATE BUS	LATE BUS	LATE BUS	LATE BUS	NO LATE BUS
3:40–4:30	Study Hall Mrs. Ogbes Mr. Bakx G4 to G10 Band with Mr. Gass Ms. Tina and Ms. Lindsey Puppeteering K to G3	Study Hall Mrs. Ducharme Ms. Baird Floor Hockey G4 to G12 Mr. Korvin Mr. Johnson Outside Soccer JK – G4 Ms. Webb	Study Hall Mrs. O’Sullivan Mrs. Cardin G1 to G5 Sketching/painting Club with Ms. Webb	Study Hall Mrs. Orme Mr. Johnson Drama G4 and up Mrs. Cardin G5 to G12 Outdoor Games with Mr. Korvin	