Griffin News

October 2019

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM ÉCOLE GLENBROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL

"TOGETHER WE SUCCEED — ENSEMBLE ON RÉUSSIT"

Important Dates:

Monday Oct. 14 - Thanksgiving Statutory Holiday, No school for students!

Wednesday & Thursday Oct. 16/17 - Grade 6 Immunizations

Wednesday & Thursday Oct 16/17 - English stream Gr. 8 Loon Lake Camp

Thursday & Friday Oct. 17/18 - French stream Gr. 8 Loon Lake Camp

Monday Oct. 21 - Federal Elections, Student Vote

Tuesday Oct. 22 - PHOTO RETAKES

Tuesday & Wednesday Oct. 22/23 - PAC Family Photo Night

Friday Oct. 25 - Provincial Pro-D Day, No school for students!

Friday Nov. 8 - Remembrance Day Assembly

Monday Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day Statutory Holiday

Tuesday November 12 - Non-Instructional Day, No school for students!

Halloween

Halloween is upon us, and for those students that celebrate this event we have some activities in the school on **Thursday, October 31**! Students will be able to wear costumes on the day which will not be excessively gory, nor have any weapons, and their face needs to be visible for safety reasons. If the costume does involve a mask they can speak to their teacher about wearing it in class where they are easily identifiable, and during the Halloween costume assembly if they are participating.

School Photo Retakes

We've had a few calls from parents wondering what they should do if their student was absent on photo day last month—but don't worry! If your child missed the previous photo day, or doesn't like their photo, retakes will be happening on Tuesday October 22nd.

Address: 701 Park Crescent, New Westminster, BC V3L 5V4

Phone: 604-517-5940

Principal: cevans @sd40.bc.ca Vice-Principal: ttrieu@sd40.bc.ca Office: glenbrook@sd40.bc.ca

Reminders and Other Important Info

Lost and Found

Has your child misplaced any items of clothing, school supplies, water bottles, shoes, or anything else? Just from the beginning of the school year in September, we already have a large number of items here in the lost and found located near the school office.

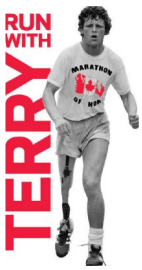
We strongly urge students to stop by and check it out regularly - they may be reunited with their missing belonging! **If it is an item of higher value, such as a phone, an iPod, glasses, or jewelry, they may also check with the office, as those sometimes get turned in to the secretaries for safekeeping.**

Peer Tutoring

Peer tutoring is beginning Tuesday, October 22, and will be held in our school library from 3 to 4 pm every week. Grade 7 & 8 students can share their expertise with other students seeking extra help with their subjects. Most subjects will be included, in both French and English.
It is also a calm and quiet place for students to do their work individually if they wish.
Attendance at peer-tutoring sessions is on a drop-in basis, and is not mandatory every week.

NWSS Student Mentorship/Tutoring

There is a meeting for the free Student Mentorship/Tutoring Program (French/English) at the PAC meeting on Monday, October 21st, at 7 p.m. in the EGMS Library Learning Commons. During the first 25 minutes, Mme Woo will present the program, explain the process for participation and collect student information. **At least one adult member of the family must be present in order to participate and students are welcome.** Please come with your preferences, family schedules and contact information. **Additionally, there will be one other opportunity for program intake and participation at the French Immersion Survival Night on Tuesday, October 15th.**



Terry Fox Fundraising

Tuesday October 15th is our last day for Terry Fox donations to come in! This is an excellent weekend to get your $10 for Terry in if you haven't done so already! We're at just over $5000 already, and this year our goal is to raise $6830...we can do this, Griffins!

Who's going to raise the most money & win pizza for their class?

Basketball Coaches Needed!

Basketball season is quickly approaching, and we are going to be needing coaches to lead both our girls and boys basketball teams to success!

If you are interested in volunteering your time and energy to our Glenbrook basketball teams, please email Ms. Trieu at ttrieu@sd40.bc.ca!

French Immersion Parent Survival Night

Canadian Parents for French will be hosting a Parent Survival Night for parents of French Immersion students this coming Tuesday, October 15th, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the Glenbrook Library.
All French Immersion parents are welcome to attend: not only new EFI K and Grade 1 parents, and Grade 6 LFI parents, but also parents of older FI students if you have questions about how to help your child with the changing expectations of their homework.

See the attached flyer for more information. RSVP required for childminding only by Friday, October 11th to Sloane Drennan at cpfnewwest@gmail.com

Youth Services Programs & Events

New West Youth Membership Pass (11 - 18 years)

The membership pass gets you into any Neighbourhood or Youth Centre Drop-in, and discounted prices on some programs. Pick up a youth membership pass at any New Westminster recreation facility. Staff will create a membership profile for you, take your picture, and print a membership card. For more information call **604-515-3775.**

Neighbourhood Drop-in (11 - 13 years)
Youth Centre Drop-in (13 - 18 years)
Membership Fee: $17.00 per year

Art Sampler (11 - 13 years)- Please note that this program is no longer a registered program, it has been changed to a drop-in program. Cost is 0.50 cents
Youth will be introduced to a different art-form each week. Drawing & sketching, watercolour painting, cartooning, sculpting, and mixed media will be explored in this program.
Monday, 3:30 - 5:30 pm
September 30 - October 21
Drama Room

Learn to DJ Basics (11 - 13 years)
This 4 week DJ program is for members only. We will teach you everything you need to know to get the party started. Youth will learn on professional equipment, explore different genres of music, and learn to count beats and blend songs. Youth will come out of the program with a personalized mix, and the skills to join the Royal City Sound DJs. This program has a 1:6 ratio -register soon as spots are limited!
Monday, 3:30 - 5:30 pm
October 28 - November 25
Drama Room Course #-**29322**
Registration Fee: $51.00 Members only

Leaders in Training (LIT) (11- 13 years)
These groups meet once a week and are an opportunity for youth ages 11 to 13 to come together, meet new people, plan events, and build strong teamwork skills in a fun and exciting environment. LIT is based around youth learning to be leaders in their community as well as developing programs through activities, speakers, and hands-on experience.
Wednesdays-3:15-5:15
Cost-0.50 cents

Friday Night Drop-in (11 - 13 years)
Friday night Drop-in is the place to be. Hang out with friends, play sports in the gymnasium, help with cooking, challenge the youth staff to a game, and watch movies!
Fridays-3:00 pm-9:00 pm

Youth Skate (11 - 18 years)

Join your friends for games, prizes and live music by the Royal City Sound DJs. Tickets are available from your Neighborhood Youth Worker or the Youth Centre, drop-ins are also welcome**.**

Moody Park Arena 604.834.0320
Saturday, 8:15 - 9:45 pm
October 5,
Drop-in Fee: $1.00

Youth Overnighter (11 - 13 years)

Join Youth Services for an evening filled with group games, video game tournaments, a gross-out competition, and many other wild and wacky activities. Youth are asked to bring sleeping bags, pillows, and anything else they would need for an overnighter. Snacks and breakfast included!

Youth Centre 604.834.2007
Thursday & Friday, 8:00 pm - 8:00 am
October 24 & 25
Registration Fee: $15.00
Course #-29342

Halloween Party(All Ages)
The haunted house will be open! There will also be pumpkin decorating, cookie decorating and light refreshments. Families wearing costumes will have a chance to win a door prize**!**

Friday, 5:30 - 8:30 pm
October 25
Youth Centre - 620 Eighth Street
Drop-in Fee: Free

Haunted House(11 - 18 years)

Friday, Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 5:00 - 9:00 pm
October 25, 28, 29 & 30
Youth Centre - 620 Eighth Street
Drop-in Fee: $0.50

Glenbrook Parents Advisory Council

The EGMS PAC would like to thank all of the volunteers who came out to our first event of the year: The Welcome Back BBQ! It was a fun night for all those who attended, and could not have happened without the help of our fantastic Grill Masters, “wrapping team”, ticket sellers, servers, planners, set up crew (including many students!), and “take down” team. We appreciate your time, look forward to working with you again, and invite others to join in the fun!

Speaking of fun - see below for 2 events we have planned for October!

Spirit Wear Sale - order your spirit wear in time for Christmas giving!

To ensure proper sizing for Spirit Wear, **there will be multiple opportunities for students to try on samples** in the Multi-Purpose Room, between 12:00 - 1:00pm on the following days:

Grade 8’s - October 15th
Grade 6 & 7’s - October 16th & 17th

We will require 2 parent volunteers each day to assist with the sizing. The link to sign up for Spirit Wear sale volunteers is: https://volunteersignup.org/TQPM4

Family Photo Night - October 22 & 23

Hello families,

Please join us for our family photo night Tues Oct. 22nd and Wed Oct. 23rd from 4:30 to 9:00 pm. This is a fundraiser with 100% of the $20 sitting fee going to the Glenbrook PAC. This year, we offer you the opportunity to bring your dog to be part of the photo. If you do choose to bring in a dog, they must be well-behaved, on a leash at all times, and we kindly ask that you book time slots in the last part of the evening on either day (after 7:30 pm if possible). Please bring a cloth to ensure that your dog's paws are clean before sitting on the photo background.

Sign up is on-line, is first come-first served and is open now. Your $20 sitting fee should be dropped off at the main office in advance in a clearly marked envelope "PAC Family Photo Night". Each family receives a private time slot with the photographer and the opportunity for several different types of shots to be taken (individuals and family). The photos make great Christmas presents and can be printed as cards. An 8x10 print is provided with any photo purchase

Attached are the instructions on how to sign up. Go to the Mountain West website: https://www.mountainwest.ca/ and then click on "book a photo session">select Ecole Glenbrook>select family photos>the remaining available times will be shown.

Please contact us at egmspac@gmail.com if you have any questions. **Sign up deadline is Sun Oct 20th, or when all the slots are booked.**

We also require two volunteers per night to help us out by signing people in (very easy!). If you are able to share your time, please sign up here: https://volunteersignup.org/HCMQ3

We thank you, in advance, for helping with these events and for being part of the EGMS community!

Don’t miss out on upcoming events. See link below to subscribe to the EGMS PAC google calendar.

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/egmspac%40gmail.com/public/basic.ics