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IMPORTANT DATES	STAY IN TOUCH
May 9 Glenview Choir Singing at Blue Jays Game May 10 Gauss Math Contest, 9:15 am May 14 Mother's Day May 16 Grade 7 Immunization for all students School Council Meeting, 6:30 pm May 17 Grade 8 Immunization for girls May 22 Victoria Day May 24 Spring Concert at Lawrence Park C.I., 6:30 pm	Contact the school about absences: 416-393-0330 Option "1"  Contact Principal: Mario Sirois E-mail: mario.sirois@tdsb.on.ca Phone: 416-393-9390  Contact Vice-Principal: Marlene Calligan
May 27 First Day of Ramadan  June 6 Volunteer Breakfast  Luce Company of the structure of t	E-mail: marlene.calligan@tdsb.on.ca Phone: 416-393-9390
June 9 P.A. Day (no classes for students) June 11 -16 Trips Week for grade 8 June 27 Grade 8 Graduation, 5 pm @ Montecassino	Contact Superintendent: Vicky Branco E-mail: vicky.branco@tdsb.on.ca
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### FROM THE OFFICE

On this last school day of April, we are all looking forward to warmer days ahead (we hope) as our students prepare for the many spring sports being offered (soccer, track and field, ultimate). We are hoping to soon enjoy the nice weather so that students can eat their lunch outside.

It has been almost a month since our last newsletter and we would like to highlight some of the great things that have happened at Glenview. We had students raising money for the Highway of Heroes through a two-day bake sale. We had our International Day of Pink celebration on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. The swim team participated in the City meet and more than 80 students competed. We had an afternoon of activities on Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Students were able to choose from a dance, movie room, game room, quiet room or simply catch-up on work missed. On Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 17 buses went to the Toronto International Film Festival for Children (TIFF). On April 21<sup>st</sup>, the whole school went to Lawrence Park to watch the play Departures and Arrivals. We had a lot of classes participating in our school-yard clean-up to celebrate Earth Day. On Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> our students voted for a Red Maple winner. The winner this year is Shooter!
Congratulations to everyone who voted. Throughout the month, some of our staff were involved in professional learning communities (PLC). One group attended a session on guided reading and the

math teachers worked with our Learning Coach Ariel and Ms. Calligan on developing rich tasks for our students. We are continuing to work on finishing our staffing for September and we will inform the Glenview community in June.

**Upcoming Dates** - On May 4, 5, 9 and 10, we will have our Community Police Officer, Janet Stather coming in to speak with our Grade 7 and 8 students. The Grade 7s will receive information on Internet Safety and the Grade 8s will receive information on Personal Boundaries. On Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, Grade 7 students will receive their second dose of Hepatitis B and HPV. On Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, the Grade 8 girls will receive their second dose of HPV. If you have any questions about your child's immunization, please call Public Health at 416-392-1250 and not the school. On Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will have our last Parent Council meeting this year. The Volunteer Breakfast will be on Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars.

Next week we will be sending home the Blue Jay tickets for the parents who ordered them for the May 9<sup>th</sup> game. We are very excited to hear our choir sing! We have over 300 parents, students and staff attending!

Just a reminder that our Spring Concert will take place at Lawrence Park Collegiate on Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:30 p.m. Our students have been practising diligently at home and early mornings here at school to prepare for this concert. If you were able to attend the Holiday Concert you will remember how many parents, guardians and siblings came out to share in this special moment.

The Graduation Committee has been hard at work preparing for the grad event on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:00 p.m. We will be meeting with the Grade 8 students soon to address the proceedings for the evening, as well as the ever popular questions about dress code! Soon after the students receive this information you can expect an email explaining all of the pertinent information, as well as a tear-off to return to school for a financial contribution towards the evening's festivities. Due to our very large population, each student is limited to inviting two adult guests for the Graduation Ceremony.

The yearbook is being compiled of many memories/pictures to represent all the wonderful things that happen at Glenview on a regular basis. Allison Marshall is the teacher in charge who puts together the final product. The order form is attached to the newsletter. The deadline to receive orders and payment of \$25 is May 12<sup>th</sup>. We only order yearbooks for the students who have prepurchased one in order to not have any leftovers.

### **APRIL - STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARD WINNERS - COOPERATION**

We would like to acknowledge the following students who demonstrated exemplary Cooperation for the month of April: Carter A., Jill H., Jay L., Jessica S., Kate R., Paris H., Louis V., Azuri H., Ava S., Maya W., Elizabeth B., Erik A., William C., Hannah Z.-R., Anna Z., Jakob A., Anika P., Samuel P., Denise W., Malia W., Henri N., Gillian B., Ben K., Evan D., Dylan R., Ryan K., Andrew F., Emma F., Cherie L., Adam S., Mackenzie D., Claire D., Florence M., Parker O., Jacob B., Gabrielle J., Lauren K.

### TURNING POINTS ESSAYS

In our last edition of Parentview, we highlighted the Turning Point Essay Contest that all of our students participated in this year as part of our English Pathway. Due to our error, the following students were excluded from the initial list and we would like to acknowledge their essays which were also submitted:

Saul W., Reese M., Leah M., Ben A., Christie H., Abby T. Amoryn W., Tigran B., Mackenzie D., Sloane G., Safianna O., Maria Y., Parker D., Constantin E., Florence M., Adele L., Taylor R., Lina R., Simon H., Taylor W and Micol A.

We are delighted to inform the Glenview community that four students have been placed in the publishing competition for the GTA, Grade 7 and 8 category:

- Elena P. (First Place) for "As Colourful as Black and White"
- Adele L. (Second Place) for "The Fight that Matters the Most"
- Michelle B. (Third Place) for "Brace Yourself: This is my Life"
- Constantin E. (Honourable Mention) for "Sailing Through Fear"

Congratulations!

### PINK DAY

On the second Wednesday of April, millions of people wear pink to take a stand against bullying. Pink day started when two straight boys saw a gay boy being made fun of for wearing pink. The boys took action and got some pink shirts and told everybody to wear them. At Glenview, we had our Pink Day assembly on Wednesday, April 12 and as a school, we had the opportunity to watch and engage in multiple presentations. As the Masters of Ceremony, we had the honour to welcome Danielle Bottineau, a police officer who is part of the LGBTQ community. Danielle shared her story with us and allowed us to understand more about the LGBTQ community. We also were able to watch a few performances by our fellow peers. With these performances, we learned about the power of one voice and how we can work together to make others feel safe in our school. As we were standing in front of the whole school during the assembly, it was very inspiring to see that many people were wearing pink. As students of Glenview, we feel proud to know that if we saw a peer getting bullied, we would come together to stand up for the victim.







### **GREEN GRYPHONS RAISING MONEY TO PLANT TREES AND FLOWERS**

Wow! These past two months been quite busy for the Green Gryphons! In March, the Green Gryphons held a bake sale and it was a hit! There were line-ups out of the lunchroom and we sold everything! This exciting and quite tasty event raised \$651.00! The money raised was used to purchase two trees for the Highway of Heroes, wild flower seeds to handout to students and to purchase a tree to plant here at Glenview. The staff and students were astonished by the

accomplishment made by the Green Gryphons and we are very happy to have raised even more than we expected. I guess we can say anyone will pay anything for a good treat. The Highway of Heroes is located on Highway 401 and is there to honour all of Canada's fallen soldiers since Confederation. This year, for Canada's 150th birthday, the goal is to plant 117,000 trees. Each tree costs \$150.00 and Glenview is very proud to be able to purchase two trees in honour of those who have fought for us. The Gryphons are currently working on a campaign called "Bring Back the Bees." The purpose of this campaign is to raise awareness about the importance of bees and why they play a crucial role in our daily lives. Without bees, most of the fruits and vegetables we eat today would not exist such as apples, mangos, cucumbers, carrots and many more. Glenview will be planting wildflower seeds in our yard and distributing free packets of seeds for you to plant at home. We hope to see you buzzing around!

If you want more information about bees please go to: <a href="https://honeylove.org/rescuebees/">https://honeylove.org/rescuebees/</a>
For your own free packet of wildflower seeds please visit: <a href="www.beesmatter.ca">www.beesmatter.ca</a>
If you want to learn more information about the Highway of Heroes visit: <a href="http://hohtribute.ca/">http://hohtribute.ca/</a>
By: Kate G.

### **TIFF REVIEWS**

On Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, all of Glenview's English classes gathered in the TIFF cinema to watch an exclusive screening of "Little Wing" directed by Selma Vilhunen. It was an inspirational film about a peculiar mother daughter relationship and the effects of the absent, mentally ill father. "Little Wing" expressed a different kind of reality than the majority of kids at Glenview are used to. The girl in the film lived a low class life, having to sacrifice her own needs in order to tend to those of her very irresponsible mother. She did things that most kids would never dare to do, including disappearing in the night on a search to meet her father, a man who had not been present her entire life. When the young girl finally finds her father, he places her in a tremendous amount of danger, revealing that he suffers from schizophrenia. The message that this story illustrated taught us valuable lessons about others hardships and struggles. It explored the idea that mental illness is serious and needs to be cared for in order to ensure that the affected person will not harm themselves, or others. This year's TIFF movie enlightened students with its important morals and interesting storyline, leaving people satisfied and entertained.

By: Gillian B.

### **Heartstrings Review**

On Tuesday, April 18, 17 buses departed Glenview to go TIFF (Toronto International Film Festival). French immersion and Extended classes watched the film *Heartstrings*, a film made in France/Belgium and directed by Michel Boujenah. Heartstrings is the story of 12-year-old cellist Marie, and her struggle to keep her degenerative eye disease a secret. A top student in her class, Marie offers to help her classmate Victor with his marks. Her dream is to audition for a prestigious music school, and together Victor and Marie become close friends as they follow their dreams.

The film <u>Heartstrings</u> had many themes, the most prominent ones of friendship and perseverance. Both Marie and Victor had problems of their own, but they learned to trust and help each other. Marie, despite going blind, still wanted to pursue her dream of playing the cello, even as her parents were urging her to go to a specialized institute for her eyesight. Glenview students were exposed to life in another country, and also their views on disabilities such as Marie's disease, and

music. It was an appropriate movie choice because in life, it is important to know that there are friends you can trust, and people who will support your choices, such as the principal in <u>Heartstings</u> who helped Marie achieve her goal.

In my opinion, this movie was very good and entertaining. The filming of the movie was very well done, and the story contained many interesting characters, my favorite a boy who was always spouting random proverbs. <u>Heartstrings</u> masterfully weaved together many stories and struggles, such as the death of Victor's mother, Marie's pursuit of her dream, her school and home life, and Marie and Victor's relationship. At some points in the movie, things were exaggerated a little too much or seemed unrealistic for children our age, but overall was a great movie. Going to TIFF is a wonderful experience which exposes you to other cultures and deep themes, allowing you to view the world from another perspective. I would definitely go to TIFF again!

By: Elena P.

### LAWRENCE PARK PLAY - DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS

On the April 21<sup>st</sup>, Glenview students got the chance to attend the Lawrence Park Play called Departures and Arrivals. The play varied with a number of scenes that followed different people throughout the airport. Scenes included emotional goodbyes, a father to his soon-to-be-wed daughter, to the tangled romance between a pilot and the stewardess. The play captured our hearts and memories of our own airport experiences, when we said our own goodbyes, and of our own fond vacation memories. Although there were some parts we couldn't relate to, they made us laugh, and cry any way such as the funny reunion of a divorced couple. No spoilers allowed, but we can tell you this; it got *super* awkward! With the Grade 8 students at Glenview graduating this year, we were happy to see some of the high quality Art's programs that Lawrence Park offers. The Grade 7s got a good look at a possible electives for next year. All in all, this play was an amazing experience and we hope to get the chance to attend another one in the future.

By: Saba A. and Amoryn W.

### **OSAF FESTIVAL**

### Road to the Nationals - A Lifetime of Musical Growth And Learning

On Friday, April 7th, the Grade 8 strings ensemble and Chambers Strings represented Glenview Senior Public School in the Ontario Strings Association Orchestra Festival, hosted at York University. There, the grade 8 strings performed, *Les Miserables* and *Cello Pudding*. Soon afterwards, clinician Tricia Ahern, a violinist from Tafelmusik, led us to a room where she critiqued our performance pieces. Articulation and timing was improved; in the end, Simon Hungate, Glenview's Associate Principal Cellist and fill-in bassist was awarded the leadership award.



After everyone ate lunch, Chamber Strings performed an afternoon of rhapsodies. First up, was Bohemian Rhapsody, a well-known song by Queen. The ensemble ended with, Hungarian Rhapsody

No.2, an extremely famous piece written by Romantic composer Franz Liszt. After we performed our pieces, we were accompanied by clinician Sharon Wei, a violinist and professor at Western Ontario. At a very professional level, we improved our tone, quality and continued to develop our

detailed phrasing throughout the pieces.



Anna Ridpath, the school's Concertmaster, was awarded the leadership award. To our delight, we were invited to perform at the Nationals with the best youth orchestras in the country. It was an inspiration to perform at such a prestigious event; we have learned and gained so much from this experience. It has been a great honour to represent Glenview Senior Public School at the Ontario Strings Association Orchestra Festival. We'd like to take a moment to thank Mme Pereira, Ms. Mehran and Ms. Rodney for supervising us on the full-day field trip. We'd like to also thank Mrs. Percy-Robb for accompanying Chamber Strings at the festival and Mr. Chalmers for his wonderful photography skills.

By: Elizabeth L. and Kate P-R.







### **GRADE 7 CO-ED VOLLEYBALL**

The Grade 7 Co-ed volleyball team experienced probably one of the shortest seasons that Glenview has yet to see. We only had two team practices before the tournament. We lost all six sets but we all had a blast at the tournament and we all really enjoyed playing the sport. We were always eager and excited to be on the court and Mr. Rodier set it up so that we all had an even chance to play which we were all very happy about. Even though we only had about two practices, we still learned a lot about the game such as thinking about where we are sending the ball, who to hit the ball to,

whether we should bump, set, or hit the ball, etc. We all learned how to communicate with each other and by the end, we all started to play pretty well with each other. At the tournament, none of us really seemed all that nervous and we were all just trying to have fun (which we did) which made our playing much better. From this experience, we will now all be more prepared and ready for next year and we will now know what to expect in Grade 8.

By: Tess G.

### **SWIM TEAM**

The Swim Team at Glenview was an amazing experience that was both memorable and triumphant. It's a great way to make new friends from other classes, and learn new swimming skills from each other as the swim team is composed of swimmers from all different levels. Over the course of the season, we attended numerous swim practices, where we improved our swimming techniques so we had the confidence to compete. This year, we had the opportunity to participate in two swim meets; semi-finals and the finals. Both swim meets were full of excitement because you got to spend time with your friends and cheer on for your classmates. When we were swimming, we felt a rush and felt very confident due to all of the support given by our team. Furthermore, Mr. Yardley ameliorated our skills at swimming by helping us swim to our full potential. Overall, the swim team was an unforgettable experience that we would highly recommend to all the students who are interested in swimming to participate in.

By: Maya D. and Sarah C.

### **NEWS AND CUES FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE**

End of April!! Only two more months of school, and they will be fast and furious. Here is the view from the guidance office.

### **Grade 8 Students and Parents**

North Toronto event is attached to the newsletter. Please keep the date open: Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Information regarding community service hours will come out with the grade 8 report cards in June. In the meantime, you may be interested to read about the commitment at the following link: <a href="http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Search.aspx?Search=communityservicehours">http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Search.aspx?Search=communityservicehours</a>

Please keep an eye out for the course verification sheets from <u>Lawrence Park</u> which will be distributed in the next couple of days. Any changes that are requested will need to be made on these sheets, and returned to me in the guidance office.

### Mental Health Week May 1-5

Every year the first week in May represents Children's Mental Health Week in Canada. This year marks the 66th annual Children's Mental Health Week, which was started in 1951 by the Canadian Mental Health Association. This annual national week of awareness is meant to "encourage people from all walks of life to learn, talk, reflect and engage with others on all issues relating to mental health."

We will all be practising mindfulness next week. I thought you might be interested in the science behind it all. <a href="http://time.com/4470517/neuroscience-of-mindfulness/">http://time.com/4470517/neuroscience-of-mindfulness/</a>

This year, Glenview's theme is: More! More mental health and wellness, more self-control, more calm, more kindness, more resilience. Stay tuned for more!!

### **Incoming Grade 7 Students**

We always look forward to welcoming our incoming grade 6 students in late May and early June. We now have 8 feeder schools: Allenby, Blythwood, Brown, Davisville, Glen Park, John Fisher, John Ross and John Wanless. Our family is growing each year! Some of our current grade 7 students serve as ambassadors during these visits.

Again, I ask you to assist your child with organization. It is such a crucial part of personal success. Time management and prioritizing are skills that we are not born with, but come with modelling, teaching and reviewing.

Best,

Mariam Racko



# North Toronto C. I.

## **Grade 9 Welcome Evening**

for

**Incoming Grade 9 Students and their Parents** 

Thursday, May 25, 2017 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Information Packages to be picked up by parents between 6:00 - 6:20 p.m.

At 6:30 p.m. there will be a brief introductory session for everyone in the Auditorium. This will be followed by parent workshops that address how to support the success of your child as s/he transitions to high school.



Special activities will run for students to introduce them to North Toronto's school community and extra-curricular programs from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



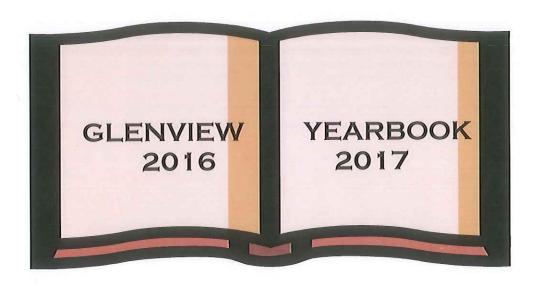
Our staff and students welcome the opportunity to meet with you!

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