



Parentview

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IMPORTANT DATES	STAY IN TOUCH
June 30 PA day (no classes) July 1 Canada Day – Happy 150 Birthday! July 3 Glenview’s office closed July 7 Last day school office is open	Contact the school about absences: 416-393-0330 Option “1”
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!!	Contact Principal: Mario Sirois E-mail: mario.sirois@tdsb.on.ca Phone: 416-393-9390
August 28 Office reopens Sept. 4 Labour day Sept. 5 First day of school Sept. 15 Welcome breakfast for Parents (8 am) Sept. 19 School Council Meeting (6:30 pm) Sept. 28 Curriculum Night (6:30 pm)	Contact Vice-Principal: Marlene Calligan E-mail: marlene.calligan@tdsb.on.ca Phone: 416-393-9390
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FROM THE OFFICE

This is the final Parentview for this school year. It has been another busy year, full of excitement, challenges and rewards. As we visited classrooms this year, we were always very proud of the work being done in our classes to prepare our students for success. Students were challenged to think critically about world issues and to present their learning in creative ways.

The staff luncheon took place on Friday, June 23rd. We are proud of all the students who followed an alternate lunch schedule and demonstrated responsibility in our community. On behalf of all the staff at Glenview, we would like to thank all the parents who donated items to the staff luncheon as well as the parents who came out to volunteer on the day. The array of food contributions received was

absolutely amazing and the staff was touched by your generosity. We would like to say a special thank you to Keri Dang and Robin Conliffe who coordinated the food items and volunteers.

Grade 8 Graduation took place this past Tuesday. It was an evening of celebration and fun! The graduates were well poised and had a wonderful time. It was amazing to see the entire Grade 8 population (370 students) and their families unite to celebrate in the giant room at Montecassino (over 1200 people)!

There will be a few staff changes for the 2017-18 school year. We would like to congratulate Ms. Racko and Ms. Robbins who are retiring this year. We wish them all the best as they embark on different adventures. We would also like to wish Mr. Jamieson and Ms. Zarnett all the best during their year off. We would like to wish our Head Caretaker, Gary Tatum, all the best in his new position at North Bridlewood. We would like to welcome Karen Griffith as our new Head Caretaker. To Mme Bedard, Mme Marshall and Mme Pereira, good luck as you await a new addition to your family and we look forward to your return in the near future. To our three long term occasional teachers, Mr. Chalmers, Ms. Kuan and Ms. Malouin thank you for your dedication to our students when you stepped in to replace one of our contract teachers. To all the occasional teachers that have worked with us this year, a big thank you for your support and hard work while at Glenview. Also a special thank you to all the support staff who came in throughout the year replacing our regular employees.

On behalf of the staff and students at Glenview, we would like to take this time to thank you and acknowledge the work done by our School Council this year. Thank you to Robin Conliffe our School Council Chair, Sanja Beca and Fred Koeman our Co-treasurers and Keri Dang our Secretary and all the parents who attended our meetings. We are looking forward to working with our parents next year.

On the last page of this Parentview issue, you will find the staffing model for next year. We would like to wish all of our families a safe and restful summer. We look forward to seeing our Grade 7s in September and we wish our Grade 8 students continued success as they transition to secondary school.

CHARACTER EDUCATION - PERSEVERANCE

We would like to acknowledge the following students for demonstrating exemplary Perseverance for the month of June: Tyler D., Angela K., Saleh A., Anika K., Hailey W., Ryan G., Emanuel B., Sophia G., Rafael G., Kieran H., Tess G., Jonah R., Isabelle L., Tatiana H., Adrianna C., Omid Y., Tyler P., Charlie W., Lleyton D., Zachary E., Blake M., Jordan W., Meghan M., Darina N., Maija L., Andrew F., Natalie R., Anujin B., Amoryn W., Sloane G., Matthew Q., Sophie H., Neill Middleton, Karl B., and Joselyn Z.M.

HONOUR ROLL – TERM 2

Grade 7

Eisela A., Lauren A., Carter A., Erik A., Isabel A., Saba A., David B., Nanthana B., Adam B., Charlie B., Brielle B., Spencer B., Noa B., Owen B., Sophia C., Alara C., Emma C., Olivia C., Lucy C., Ke Li C., Yuna C., Natalie C., Devan C., Olivia C., Chloe C., Kirsten C., Samantha C., Klara C., Mila D., A J D., Eden D., David D., Amanda D., Jayme D., Kierra F., Hayden F., Isabelle F., Sophie G., Boris G., David G., Emma G., Audrey G., Tess G., Sasha G., Magdalini H., Mia H., Andrew H., Michal H., Azuri H., Kieran H., Anton H., Mesai J., Natasha J., Olivia J., Sylvana K., Marcus K., Sydney K., Teagan K.,

Angela K., Connie K., Grace K., Christopher L., Abigail L., Natasha L., Isabelle L., Chloe L., Cynthia L., Rachel L., Ersi L., Elle M., Bernice M., Leah M., Aidan M., Reese M., Jordan M., Karena M., Pippa M., Stacy N., Alana O., Gabrielle P., Anika P., Julie P., Tal P., Bronwen P., Hailey P., Elena P., Victoria Q., Ruven R., Shivani R., Victoria R., Matthew R., Katie R., Caleb R., Alice S., Kate S., Abigail S., Selena S., Colin S., Ava S., Eric S., Jonah T., Cameron T., Tessy V., Mia W., Chloe W., John W., Maya W., Saul W., Hailey W., Simeon X., Clea Y., Atticus Y., Xavier Y., Hannah Z., Cheryl Z., Ryan Z., Meredith Z.

Grade 8

Chen Zhen A., Karina A., Micol A., Defne A., Camila A., Agata A., Duru A., Lauren A., Alicia A., Jacob B., Catharine B., Anthony B., Gillian B., Melanie B., Erica B., Daniel B., Anujin B., Tessa B., Dean B., Roland B., Erin B., Neel C., Ryan C., Andy C., Sarah C., Samantha C., Lucy C., Miranda C., Madeline C., Alyssa D., Maya D., Mackenzie D., Alexandra D., Claire D., Evan D., Jack E., Paul E., Russell E., Anne F., Ysabel F., Kate F., Dalia F., Hayden F., Curtis F., Natasha G., Cameron G., Kate G., Juliette H., Elenee H., Julianna H., Jamie H., Sophie H., Julianne H., Samantha H., Janice H., Simon H., Jacob I., Chloe I., Anna J., Gabrielle J., Evelyn K., Daniel K., Maya K., Max K., Jonathan K., Claire K., Tea L., Tiana L., Maija L., Cherie L., Leah L., Emily L., Adele L., Elizabeth L., Meghan M., Andrew M., Gabrielle M., Peter M., Mia M., Ciara M., Janka M., Camille M., Emily M., Maya M., Darina N., Christian N., Yutaka N., Safianna O., Benjamin P., Tyler P., Marina P., Alex P., Kate P., Benjamin P., Claire P., Stanca R., Natalie R., Lina R., Anna R., Dara R., Becky R., Diana R., Nathan R., Sam R., Rebecca R., Sarah R., Jennifer R., Taylor R., Sarah S., Kaura S., Rachel S., Ben S., Julia S., Christina S., Lindsey S., Sara S., Miriam S., Timothy S., Abby S., Lou-Anne T., Ava T., Sandra T., Alexis T., Sydney T., Radin V., Oscar V., Anisa W., Amoryn W., Joshua W., Hatice Y., Maria Y., and Oleg Y.

CITIZENSHIP – TERM 2

Grade 7

Aneesha A., Eisela A., Elena A., Lauren A., Carter A., Isabel A., Jack A., Saleh A., Saba A., David B., Nanthana B., Adam B., Charlie B., Brielle B., Elizabeth B., Spencer B., Noa B., Hannah B., Sophia C., Alara C., Hayden C., Olivia C., Selina C., Lucy C., KeLi C., Yuna C., Natalie C., Marlowe C., Myles C., Olivia C., Kirsten C., Samantha C., William C., Alexander D., Jonah D., Eden D., Amanda D., Zoe D., Elizabeth D., Ethan F., Kierra F., Sophie G., David G., Audrey G., Sasha G., Mia H., Kayleigh H., Tatiana H., Liam H., Michal H., Azuri H., Anvie H., Sylvana K., Sydney K., Annie L., Jay L., Cynthia L., Rachel L., Ersi L., Lola L., Heather M., Cayleigh M., Leah M., Reese M., Karena M., Kayvan M., Pippa M., Stacy N., Alana O., Gabrielle P., Anika P., Ava P., Bronwyn P., Elena P., Victoria Q., Ruven R., Shivani R., Victoria R., Nicola R., Caleb R., Kate S., Lorrin S., Abigail S., Michaela S., Selena S., Ava S., Taisyia V., Jack V., Emma W., Mia W., John W., Saul W., Denise W., Brandon W., Alexander Y., Kate Y., Jasmina Z., Hannah Z., Cheryl Z., and Ryan Z.

Grade 8

Julia A., Micol A., Defne A., Camila A., Agata A., Duru A., Lauren A., Alicia A., Anthony B., Gillian B., Melanie B., Erica B., Michelle B., Tigran B., Daniel B., Anujin B., Tessa B., Dean B., Roland B., Annika C., Ava C., Elise C., Samantha C., Yasmeen C., Lucy C., Sabrina C., Greg C., Miranda C., Madeline C., Lloyd D., Mackenzie D., Alexandra D., Claire D., Evan D., Jack E., Paul E., Russell E., Ysabel F., Kate F., Dalia F., Curtis F., Talia F., Natasha G., Maleah G., Cameron G., Kate G., Sloane G., Juliette H., Elenee H., Julianna H., Jamie H., Sophie H., Samantha H., Simon H., Gabrielle J., Kristi K., Ben K., Hanna-Marea K., Evelyn K., Maya K., Max K., Jonathan K., Claire K., Benjamin K., Tea L., Tiana L., Maija L., Charles L., Cherie L., Leah L., Adele L., Emily L., Elizabeth L., Sara M., Andrew M.,

Florence M., Mia M., Janka M., Neill M., Camille M., Emily M., Jataiya M., Maya M., Darina N., Stephanie N., Yutaka N., Parker O., Safianna O., Benjamin P., Tyler P., Marina P., Alex P., Kate P., Benjamin P., Claire P., Matthew Q., Stanca R., Lina R., Anna R., Dara R., Becky R., Mya R., Samuel R., Rebecca R., Taylor R., Christopher S., Kaura S., Rachel S., Julia S., Christina S., Georgia S., Sara S., Miriam S., Timothy S., Mia S., Justin S., Abby S., Sarah T., Lucy T., Ava T., Sandra T., Alexis T., Marcus U., Jordan W., Amoryn W., Anna W., Joshua W., Hatice Y., Maria Y., Oleg Y., Joselyn Z. and Chen Z.

TRACK AND FIELD 2017

This year's track season was filled with many personal bests, and many podium finishes. It all started with tryouts back in May, where many student athletes tried out for their events, but few were selected. A couple of weeks later we had our first meet at Esther Shiner Stadium. Many athletes competed, and many finished on the podium to qualify for the conference finals two weeks later. The conference finals proved to be just as exciting, and there were many anxious moments where we thought it was going to rain, but our Glenview Gryphons prevailed. The city finals were held one week later at Birchmount stadium. Unfortunately, the grade 8s had their grad trip....so many missed out on competing in the city finals. Although the Grade 8s were gone, the grade 7s still competed. We were hit with a massive thunderstorm, that delayed the first events about 45 minutes, but even in these harsh conditions we still competed and had a couple of top eight finishes, and finishes that came down to the wire. It was a great season....congratulations to all the athletes, and a big thanks to all the coaches and parents.

By: Adam B.

SOCCER SEASON

Girls

The soccer season of 2017 was one to remember for the Glenview girls. We played in all kinds of weather conditions, from rain to shine (very, VERY hot shine). It started off in our first tournament, which was very rainy, but we pushed through and came back with one loss, one win and one tie. We weren't number one but we had high hopes going into the next two games. At those games we were able to win both with no goals against us, sending a confident team to the conference semi-finals. With determination, we won that game earning our spot at cities. At the city games, we faced Hodgson with barely a full team, as the grade eights were on their trip. We fought hard, but fell short, coming out four goals down. However, our spirits could not be deterred, and we came back to school with smiles on our faces, and pride in our hearts. All in all, we played a hard season, and we should definitely be proud. Also, as Mr. Rodier says, there's always next year! Hopefully it won't conflict with trip week, but we have confidence next year's grade sevens will pull through where we fell short! Good job girls, we should be proud!

By: Karena M. & Kate S.

Boys

The soccer team is always a fun team but especially more fun this year. The great group of kids selected made this year so much better, we became so much closer as a group as the season developed. We started with about 70 kids all enthusiastic about making the soccer team. After just 2 tryouts the coaches had to make their first cut. After another 2 tryouts, the team of 19 boys were selected. We practised early 2 times a week making us strong and understanding of each other's next moves. Our first tournament was a beautiful day at Windfields P.S. We played very well and won all of our games by a very big margin. We were proud that we never let in a goal. For the conference

semis, we played Pleasantview. Pleasantview scored first but the boys showed great character to come back and take the lead and eventually winning the game. In the finals we played a very strong JB Tyrrell team with some great players. The boys did very well but got unlucky with some of the calls. Well done boys and thank you to Mr. Bozzo and Mr. De Santis for being great coaches. Good luck to our grade 8 members at their respective high schools and we are looking forward to seeing the improved grade sevens next year.

Well done boys!

By: Charlie W. and Kayvan M.

RUGBY

During the week of June 12th to June 19th while the Grade 8's were away on their trips, Glenview was fortunate to have members of the Toronto Inter-community Rugby Foundation (TIRF) in to educate the grade 7 students on the sport of Rugby. TIRF is a non-for profit organization whose mission is to transform the lives of young people through the sport of Rugby. Despite the heat, the student's got the opportunity to learn the basic rules of Rugby and essential game skills such as passing and receiving from University level Rugby Athletes. By the last day, all of the students had progressed to playing Flag Rugby, a modified version of the sport and learned the importance of teamwork and fair play. From a teaching perspective, this was an amazing opportunity for the students to learn a sport that is growing in popularity in Canada from real athletes. Over the course of the week, many students expressed how much they enjoyed the experience and that they would welcome the opportunity to play Rugby again. From all of the Phys Ed staff, we thank TIRF for an amazing week!

Mr. Bassett-Spiers and Mr. Rodier



MUSIC CONCERT

The performance of Glenview's String Ensembles during the Spring Concert 2017 was truly a success. The grade seven strings started off the evening by playing "Boogie Blues" and the classic hit "Uptown Funk". With the swing rhythm and the articulation of each note, the grade sevens made astonishing improvement from the previous concert. The grade eights played the fiddle-style piece "Viola Country" featuring the viola section followed by selections from the famous Broadway musical and book "Les Misérables". Their hard work this second term truly was rewarding. Glenview's choir also performed the pieces "Hymn to Freedom", one of Oscar Peterson's most significant compositions and "Why We Sing" a beautiful piece celebrating the joy of music. Ardyth Percy-Robb, the talented accompanist, added depth and guidance to the performance. Towards the end of the evening, Chamber Strings, a group of enthusiastic instrumentalists who auditioned to partake in this group, finally performed. Their first piece was the prominent "Bohemian Rhapsody", which was truly spell bounding with its dramatic dynamics and rushing energy. Their last piece, "Hungarian Rhapsody No.2" was truly astounding, seeing that these young musicians were able to perform such

complicated music with expression and precision. All in all, performing in the Glenview's String Ensembles was an amusing experience that shall never be forgotten.

By: Lauren A.

The band ensembles have also been working hard all year, and their work paid off. The Beginner Band was first up for the bands and they wowed the audience with their performance of "Wigan Warriors" and "Hey Jude", two energetic songs that had the audience on the edges of their seats. You wouldn't believe that they had only started playing this year! Next up from the bands was the Jr. Band, playing "Anasazi", a harmonious piece, and "Sweet Caroline". This group is made up of experienced grade seven students, and even though "Sweet Caroline" pushed them a little bit with its difficult notes and swing rhythm, they have improved so much since the start of the year and it sounded great. Rock Band was up next. They are a group of enthusiastic musicians exploring the "plugged in" side of music. Not only were they phenomenal in their performances of "Valerie", but two dedicated students even rewrote the lyrics to the ACDC song "It's a Long Way to the Top". The grade eight Concert Band really blew everyone away with their incredible performances of "Fireflies", a popular song and the "Cardinal Overture". The Glenview Symphony Orchestra accompanied the chamber strings in "New York, New York" and "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows". And for the grand finale, the Jazz Band, a group of dedicated and enthusiastic musicians performed "Firestalker" and "Play that Funky Music", two difficult songs with swing rhythms requiring precision. In the end, it was a rewarding, hilarious experience to be a part of the Glenview Band ensembles this year, and I had a lot of fun!

By: Hannah Z.-R.

We'd like to thank all of the teachers who made this concert run smoothly. Mme. Charlesworth, Ms. Chiu, Mr. Corrigan, Ms. Diniro, Ms. Kuan, Pancheta, Ms. Simonton and Mr. Warren who all volunteered their time and helped us stay organized by making sure everyone got on stage at the right time. This concert would not have been possible without them! Our itinerant music teachers, Mrs. Kundakcioglu, Ms. Gaber, and Mr. Bouts helped prepare students for the concert by working very hard with them nearly every morning to perfect each song. We'd also like to thank our choir accompanist, Ardyth Percy-Robb, who did a beautiful job on the piano! Another thanks goes to Darina N. and Saul W. who did a wonderful job as our MCs. In addition, we would like to thank the two Lawrence Park students, Ethan K. and Adrienne R-P, who were responsible for lighting the stage and managing the sound board. Most importantly, we would like to give a tremendous thank you to Mr. So, Mr. Chalmers and Mr. Jamieson, the teachers who spent endless hours teaching the students these pieces and helping them improve with their musical instruments. Their dedication and passion for music allowed the students' musical talents to resonate through the concert hall.

By: Lauren A. and Hannah Z.-R.

SHERWOOD PARK

Last Wednesday members of Chamber Strings, Concert Band and Jazz Band went on an excursion to Sherwood Park to celebrate their hard work and dedication towards their respective music programs. About ninety kids left Glenview at the beginning of Grade 8 lunch and walked in the hot sun towards the park. Upon arriving, we managed to cover several picnic tables in chips, cookies, cupcakes, sushi, popsicles, salad and a variety of other tasty food. After we had eaten (more than) our fill, we began an epic battle between band and strings, which took the form of Capture the Flag. Three rounds later, once band had been declared the winner, we broke off into smaller groups and played Frisbee, had a small water fight, played other sports and hung out with our friends, enjoying the beautiful

day. We would like to thank all the parents and families who generously donated food, volunteered to help supervise the walk, helped with the setup and transportation of materials, and helped with the cleanup. Without you, this fantastic picnic would not have been possible.

By: Adele L. and Taylor R.



NEW BRUNSWICK TRIP

When most of the Grade eights heard the words eighteen hour bus ride they turned the other way and ran as fast as they could. But forty-five brave students looked past the seemingly never-ending bus ride and enjoyed this amazing trip to New Brunswick. By the end of the bus ride, everybody felt like a family. The next day, Huntsman welcomed us with a nice breakfast and a great morning. We spent the morning at the intertidal zone collecting and examining specimens none of us had ever heard of before. The same day we did a scallop drag to examine sea life. We gained much knowledge and took great photos. We spent a lot of the trip down at the Huntsman aquarium, not to forget the amazing marine race and the giant playground. Town time was filled with shopping, ice cream and fudge. We saw the seals being fed and played lots of games at free time. We also went on a whale watching boat and even if we didn't see one, we had loads of fun. The days at Huntsman were filled with lots of laughs, scientific lessons, and good food thanks to the Huntsman chefs. The day we left everyone felt sad, and we all started missing New Brunswick the second we got out of the province.

Thanks to the Huntsman for the amazing trip. Thank you to Mr. Tasch, Ms. Diniro, Ms. Gerhard and Mr. Chalmers for coming on this trip with us. Everyone who went on this incredible trip has lasting memories and new friends.

By: Adele L., Neill M., Taylor R. and Lina R.

MONTREAL ADVENTURES

The Lead Up

Montreal - the final frontier of the elementary school experience. Two busses (bus A and B) ventured off to Montreal. At the beginning of grade 7, around October, I remember talking to my friends about the end of year trip. It was fun to fantasize and plan this trip, laugh about what it was going to be like and leaving home to one of the final adventures of the Glenview experience. Then came grade 8, where the hype really built up and we started to plan the layout of the room and what to bring and materialize the plan. Once we were introduced to the trip, our group handed in our form and set our sights on Montreal. The night before, even though we had our plan, it still was a hectic pack because it's tough to prepare for leaving home. After a copious pack in the morning came my siblings and I, our roommates and 82 other kids left T.O to Montreal!

The Ride

Once we arrived at school, we got our bags and waited for our busses. When our busses arrived, we gave our parents one last embrace before loading our luggage and starting our 5-7 hour journey to Canada's staple of tourism. Once on the road, everyone was ingrained into their conversations and their electronics to entertain the long ride. Personally, I tuned into my music and hummed along to songs like Mamma Mia and Brandy You're a Fine Girl while enjoying the back of the bus (best seats in the house). During the ride our tour guide got to know us and played games too; we played a newlywed type game with our seating partner and named our bus. We had a couple of groups (mine was soul crusher abba) and we all voted on a name; the winner Ganondorf McNugget Combo, quite interesting indeed as it was the best name hybrid this bus has ever seen. After the long ride was over, we finally got to our destination and started our ventures around the 375 year-old city.

The Trip

Each day, there was at least one destination highlight. Besides the treats on the bus, the highlight was our bus driver and our first destination. Our bus driver, Glen, was hilarious with his jokes of the day. My favourite was "Why is there a fence around a graveyard; answer, because they're all dying to get out" #lol, #haha. Our first destination was an observatory, which was beautiful with its elegant craft, eye striking chapels and multiple places of worship each unique. On day two, the highlight was bowling. Bowling was a contest of grit, determination, granny shots of all kind and strikes of a million. The group I played with was competitive; scores were close and I got to play the odd extra turn while someone was in the arcade. On day three, the highlight was the Church du Notre Dame and the underground mall. The church is beautiful with its stunning and eye-striking design; the art and windows were beautiful with its eloquent and simple design. Shopping, although it wasn't (or never will be) long enough, was a good break from museums and churches to have some ME time. Day four was the best day ever!!!!!! We began with the market, then played at the circus camp and finished with amusement park at La Ronde; it truly was the best, most fun, thrill seeking and most tasty day of the whole trip. Above all, the rooms were one the best parts of the trip, as the hotel was located in Laval and the rooms were huge; there was a tiny tuck shop with quality food and gifts for purchase.

The Aftermath

The experiences gained and the lessons learned from the trip were interesting. Being independent taught us to have our wits and be street smart. I learned a lot about Montreal and the history of the settlement of this great city. But most importantly, we learned to coexist with each other; I've never spent this long of time together with my roommates besides my brother. We had a blast in our room every night, whether it was my pillow fight or laughing at a funny video. In the end, I've never had a tighter relationship with my roomies and am glad to be a part of the trip. On behalf of all students, we'd like to thank our two guides, Hannah and Christina for their professionalism throughout the trip. We'd like to thank our drivers Jeff and Glen for transporting us safely from location to location. We'd like to give a special thanks to Mme. Marshall for spearheading and planning the trip. Finally, we'd like to thank all teachers; Mme. Bedard, Ms. Gokcen, Mme. Marshall, Mr. So, Ms. Tseramis and Mr. Warren for volunteering their time to supervise us and spending a memorable week with us!

By: Cameron G. and Diana R.

QUEBEC CITY ADVENTURES

On the week of June 12 to June 16, about 200 grade 8 Glenview students attended the Quebec City graduation trip. Quebec City was a true highlight of the year for many students that attended this superb expedition. On the early morning of June 12, students departed from Toronto for an eight hour bus ride to the beautiful city of Quebec. That evening, we had a wonderful dinner and dance at Le Manoir Montmorency, a beautiful summer house over the falls. The view was breathtaking! The next three full days in Quebec City, students were involved in numerous enjoyable activities planned by the amazing tour guides and teachers including taking a tour of the Citadelle of Quebec, walking over bridges of the Canyon St-Anne which was very unreal, walking through the Quebec European streets, ate breakfast at the Assemblée Nationale de Quebec and many more fun activities that taught us how Canada became a country. In the evenings, students participated in bowling and a trampoline park. The final evening in Quebec City, students went to a sugar shack away from central Quebec and enjoyed traditional dishes and music. The next day, we sadly departed from Quebec City and went back home.

The Quebec City trip was very amusing. It was an experience that taught us a lot about another part of Canada. We would like to thank all the teachers that put their time in planning the Quebec City trip this year and attending this overnight travel with us. It wouldn't be a memorable trip without you all.

By: Christina S. and Lou-Anne T.

NEWS AND CUES FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

Confucius is quoted, "choose a work that you love, and you won't have to work another day." I believe that he wrote that with me in mind. Being a Guidance counsellor in this community has been a privilege and a joy each and every day. Your children have taught me so much about relationships, kindness, inclusion and delight.

Kids can be mean. I am deeply gratified when a student is challenged to do better, to be better, and through lengthy conversations watch as they reflect on who they want to be. And over the two years they are here, I see them becoming the wonderful young woman and man they always had the potential to be. Thank you for letting me part of that.

Parents here have demonstrated such skill in helping their teens navigate a difficult time in their lives. You have allowed me some measure in assisting you with this and I am so grateful. My own mother used to tell my sisters and me that nobody forgets how you made them feel, and I have passed this wisdom on to hundreds of students. A praiseworthy reminder to us all! The decision to retire was a difficult one for me because of the enormous personal satisfaction that I have in my work. And I thank all of you for the opportunity to allow me into your lives, even for a brief time.

My kindest wishes and most grateful thanks to you.

By: Mariam Racko