

# Parentview

## Glenview News / Les Nouvelles

February 15, 2019

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IMPORTANT DATES	STAY IN TOUCH
<b>Feb. 18</b> Family Day <b>Feb. 19</b> School Council Meeting, 6:30 pm <b>Feb. 20</b> Students at "Come from Away" PM <b>Feb. 22</b> Graduation – Photo retakes PM <b>Feb. 26</b> Math League Contest, 9:15 am <b>Feb. 27</b> Students at "Come from Away" PM <b>Mar. 6</b> Students at "Come from Away" PM <b>Mar. 8</b> International Women's Day <b>Mar. 10</b> Daylight Savings Begins <b>March 11 to 15</b> March Break <b>Mar. 20</b> Vernal Equinox <b>Apr. 10</b> International Day of Pink <b>Apr. 16</b> School Council Meeting, 6:30 pm <b>Apr. 19</b> Good Friday Passover begins at sunset <b>Apr. 21</b> Easter Sunday <b>Apr. 22</b> Easter Monday	<b>Contact the school about absences:</b> 416-393-0330 Option "1"  <b>Contact Principal: Mario Sirois</b> E-mail: <a href="mailto:mario.sirois@tdsb.on.ca">mario.sirois@tdsb.on.ca</a> Phone: 416-393-9390  <b>Contact Vice-Principal: Maryam Hasan</b> E-mail: <a href="mailto:maryam.hasan@tdsb.on.ca">maryam.hasan@tdsb.on.ca</a> Phone: 416-393-9390  <b>Contact Superintendent: Diana Panagiotopoulos</b> E-mail: <a href="mailto:diana.panagiotopoulos@tdsb.on.ca">diana.panagiotopoulos@tdsb.on.ca</a>  <b>Contact Trustee: Shelley Laskin</b> E-mail: <a href="mailto:shelley.laskin@tdsb.on.ca">shelley.laskin@tdsb.on.ca</a>

### FROM THE OFFICE

We hope that you have made the most of the exciting wintery weather we have had over the last few weeks and were able to have some family time during the Snow Day on Tuesday. Glenview continues to be the hub for learning, sports, clubs, and numerous activities for all students. Our sports teams are continuing in their season to be involved in tournaments as we had numerous cancellations due to inclement weather. Our Guidance Counsellor is working in collaboration with students to complete the course selection sheets and support parents with inquiries. Parent teacher interviews have been in session. If you were unable to book an interview with a teacher, please contact the teacher by email ([firstname.lastname@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:firstname.lastname@tdsb.on.ca)).

We would like to welcome two teacher candidates from OISE who will be working at Glenview with Ms. Walker (Ellen Collier) and Mme Pereira (Bethany Jones) until March Break.

Activity Day on February 7<sup>th</sup> was a great success with over 500 students participating in Skiing and Rock Climbing. We also had a large number of students involved in the activities organized by staff at school. If your child lost a Giro helmet and a pair of goggles please see Mr. Sirois.

The next big event for our students and staff will be attending the musical Come From Away at the Elgin Theatre starting on February 20. Please see details listed below:

February 20, 2019	7A, FE7A, FI7A, FI7B, FI7C, 8A, 8C, FE8A, FI8A
February 27, 2019	7F, FE7B, FI7E, 8B, 8D, 8E, FE8B, FI8B, FI8D
March 6, 2019	7B, 7C, 7D, 7E, FI7D, FI7F, 8F, FI8C, FI8E, FI8F

Information for registration was sent home electronically on February 11<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure to return the signed permission form with a copy of the payment to your child's English teacher by Wednesday, February 20.

### Graduation Retakes

On the afternoon of Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, our Grade 8 students will have an opportunity to have their Graduation photos retaken. Retakes are primarily for students who were absent during the initial Grade Photo Day. All other students wanting a retake must bring with them the original proof with your signature and a note explaining why a retake is necessary.

### Windows

The north side of the building is completed with new windows. The project to replace windows is on the south side of the building, with a possible complete date by March Break.

### Grade 8 overnight field trips

This is a final reminder about registration for the grade 8 overnight fieldtrip. Most of our students have registered online for their overnight field trip of choice. If you have not registered, please do so to reserve a spot for your child.

As explained during the information night for parents as well as information shared with grade 8 students, **students will automatically be placed in quads when sharing their rooms in Montreal and Quebec City. There is no other option.** Though the Explorica website offers an option to pay extra for double occupancy, this does not apply to Glenview. Please note, students will be choosing their roommates sometime after March Break.

## **JANUARY – STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARD WINNERS FOR TEAMWORK**

We would like to congratulate the following recipients for demonstrating exemplary teamwork in their classes: Aurora C., Toby K., Natalie M., Curtis W., Juliana C., Russell D., Meghan G., Ethan F., Chloe R., Lauren B., William F., Juliana M., Lauren I., Camila C., Chloe S., Sam B., Emma S., Rowan W., Monica L., Zach M., Erik L., Alyssa S., Connor M., Samantha L., Parya M., Dylan M., Jacob S., Callum Y., Zoe R., Ryan S., Liv H., Felicity H., Elena V., Liam R., Sofia A., Carter P., Evan R., Mahika V., Jacob T., Cassandra H., Ben Z., Anusha A., Valerie L., Liam R., Nora G., Sophie W., Lauren M., Anika S.

## **NORTH TORONTO MUSIC DEPARTMENT COLLABORATION**

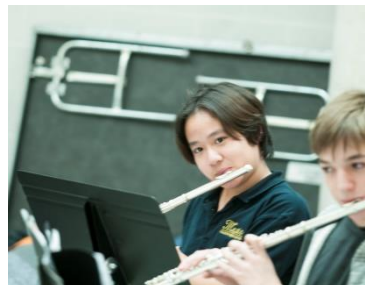
During the afternoon of January 15th, the Concert Band went on a field trip to North Toronto CI to exercise and collaborate with the staff and students of the NTCI Music Department. This was a workshop in preparation for our up-coming performance at the OBA festival. The Grade 10 North Toronto band students performed for us two of their own pieces; their music teachers then gave us a quick introduction of music programs in high school.

Afterwards, we split up into our instrument groups so we could work on our pieces and perfect individual challenges.

They helped us learn new techniques and polish areas such as tuning, phrasing and overcome instrument-specific challenges.

After about 45 minutes, we all met back up in the NT auditorium and had the opportunity of performing one of our pieces together. Our performance with the grade 10 students sounded much better because of their help. We also had the

chance to look around the facilities and explore their school since some students will be attending North Toronto next year.





Overall, this was a great experience for our concert band members and we were able to have an extraordinary experience to learn from some skillful students. Many thanks to Mr. Warren, Mr. Corkill and Ms. Mehran for supervising us that afternoon. Also a great thank you to our parent volunteer, Veronica Baks for helping with supervision.

By: Elle A. & Rebecca H.

### **BBOYISM**

The Canadian dance group BBoyism recently visited our school to share a special dance performance for the grade 7 classes. The BBoyism group were not only outstanding dancers but educated us about the evolution of street dance. From starting in the 70's making their way up to the 90's, each performance included the different styles of music, clothing and dance moves from that era. Before each performance, the dancers explained their clothing, music and dance moves and how it resembled that particular time in history. At the end of the last performance, students and teachers were welcomed to the front of the gym to share their favourite moves. This gave an opportunity for the students to express themselves in music and dance making education exciting and fun to learn for the students.

By: Izzy F. & Emily B.

### **SKI DAY 2019**

On February 7th; Glenview held a ski day that was one to remember. The day was filled with a myriad of fun and excitement, as staff and students had an excursion to Mount St. Louis. Though the bus rides were a couple of hours, the company of our friends and friendly staff members made it a pleasant experience. Luckily, the day started off with warm weather and good conditions on the hill. The great thing about how the activity was organized was that students were able to have an exciting experience on the hills while still feeling comfortable and safe, regardless of their level. There were a number of participants from Glenview accompanying each other throughout the day, as students had the liberty to schedule their visit as they wish, between going to different mountains, eating lunch together and skiing/snowboarding on many slopes. We believe that students would agree to say that this trip could be encapsulated in the adjectives; exuberant, amusing and refreshing. We appreciate the help from all the staff members of Glenview and Mount.St.Louis and the parent helpers making this activity possible. It was an immensely great privilege to have the opportunity to be a part of such a fun outing.

By: Rachel V. & Madeline H.

### **ROCK CLIMBING**



60 students from Glenview went to True North Climbing, the climbing gym at Downsview Park. It was an amazing experience. There were a large variety of varying difficulties in the walls that we could climb. First, we tried the auto belay routes. This consisted of a large pulley at the top of the wall, which would support and catch you if you fall. It was quite frightening to trust the system, but after a few runs, we felt safe with it. After a few successful attempts, we were able to try new challenges; We spent about an hour and a half just trying the auto-belay walls.

Later, we decided to move on to a Top-Rope belay course. This consisted of a person on the ground

(the belayer) connected to you through a rope looped around a point anchored high up on the route. When you are climbing, they would be pulling and taking out the slack in the rope with a device called a Gri-Gri. With all this combined, the belayer would be able to catch you if you ever slipped. Though some of the walls were challenging, it was enjoyable because it really tested our strength and made it all that much more satisfying when we reached the top (If we did!).

It turned out there was more than just climbing walls. Around a corner, we found a training area filled with Slack-Lines and smaller objects to scale such as a table. This might not seem that exciting, as the table was merely a table bolted to the floor. The challenge however, is to climb from on top of the table to under it and around until you end up back on top without touching the floor! This might not seem challenging but, when we tried it we could barely get underneath.



Then, there were the slack-lines, a long, wide stretchy band that span between two points. This really challenged your balancing and we all eagerly took turns trying to get across without falling. We did this for at least an hour. We were having so much fun that even Mr. Rodier saw us and tried it for himself. We spotted a really easy climbing wall. As a group, we decided to see who can scale the wall the fastest. We would each take turns and time our speed and then at the end compare our results to see who got up the fastest.

Our day was truly amazing with challenging walls to scale, fun objects to climb and balance on, and finally attempt to climb an easy wall as fast as possible. This rock climbing experience was spectacular and amazing and many of us wish to return soon.

By: Rein R. and Charlie C.





## ONTARIO BAND ASSOCIATION CONCERT FESTIVAL

On February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 67 of Glenview's Grade 8 Concert Band musicians travelled to Thornhill, to perform at the OBA (Ontario Band Association) Concert Band Festival. This was a competition open



to all schools in Ontario, being the lead-up competition to the national concert band competition later on in the year.

It was also a workshop opportunity for developing performance skills and understanding of certain playing concepts such as dynamics and articulation. We also got the chance to work with a guest clinician who gave us

many tips as to how we could improve our performing skills.

To prepare for this, the Glenview concert band practiced twice a week, on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, to practice two pieces for this competition; Northpointe Fantasy and Earthscape. We practiced these pieces for four months and with plenty of assistance from Mr. So and Mr. Rosetto, we were able to develop our pieces to become performance-ready, as well as grow our musical capabilities in various ways. We practiced our pieces many times so we could be ready to perform at the festival.

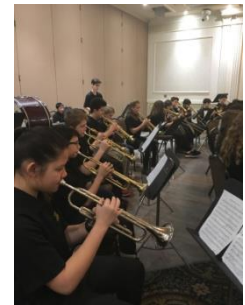


The festival was an amazing chance for the Glenview band to perform in front of some of Ontario's best concert bands, as well as having the chance to listen to some of the other bands play. Through this experience, we were given an amazing opportunity to listen to some outstanding music, as well as show our skills to the judges. We were given many tips from experts on how to improve as musicians and as a band in

general. Luke Martin, Glenview's lead tenor sax player, received the OBA student leadership award.

After this experience, every student in the band came back as a more experienced and a better musician than before the concert. We developed in many ways, both performance-wise and technique-wise, and as a result, our band is now a more improved and refined band than we were before the performance.

By: Rowen U.



## VALENTINE'S DAY CANDY GRAMS

This year for Valentine's Day, the Student Council decided to do a mini fundraiser. We sold Candy Grams to the students at lunch to spread kindness on Valentine's Day and even raised money for Me to We, a charity that our school supports. Making these Valentines treats was very fun, although it took quite an army. On February 4th and 5th, many members of the Student Council joined Ms. Meghji in her office to make the candy grams for this fundraiser. The council got lots of lollipops, ribbon and printed out some nice Valentine's Day messages to make the grams. They cut out the messages, tied on some curled ribbons, and stuck on the lollipops. Sounds easy enough? They had to make 300! This fundraiser was a success raising \$120. It felt great to raise this money and we hope Glenview will do this again in the future.

By: Gaby P.

## BAKE SALE

On Thursday, February 14, Glenview organized its second bake sale of the year in honour of Valentine's Day and it was a great success! There were heart-shaped cookies with icing, beautifully done cupcakes with pink decorations, delicious brownies, colourful meringues, squares, blondies,

cinnamon buns and anything else you could possibly think of! In total, Glenview raised a significant amount of money and all the profit from the sales will go directly to Glenview and the students. From supporting the music programs with new instruments and repairs, buying more Chromebooks for the classroom and funding performances at the school. The benefits from the bake sale will truly continue to make Glenview a spectacular learning environment. A big thank you goes out to the Parent Council for organizing the bake sale as well as the Student Council helpers and Ms. Meghji. Most importantly, thank you to parents and students for your contributions of the baked goods and sweets as well as all the effort that went into the treats. Without any of you, this delicious event wouldn't have been such an exceptional triumph!

By: Victoria M.

### NEWS AND CUES FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

Grade 8 students have been very busy completing their course selection sheets for their home school. I am checking each one for accuracy and following up with students who have not returned them or are missing a parent signature.

#### **Acceptance to Optional Attendance Programs/Schools**

If your child applied to an optional attendance school/program, you should receive notification of acceptance by Friday, February 15.

If your child is accepting the offer, please have them bring me the offer so I can provide them with a new course selection sheet (which will replace their homeschool sheet).

Please complete the new course selection sheet as well as myBlueprint and return to Ms. Meghji by **Feb 22!**

#### **Course Selection Sheet Instructions**

1. Complete Part A
2. Complete section 5 in Part B (Country of Birth, First Lang and Date of Entry if born outside of Canada)
3. Choose 8 courses plus alternatives if required
4. Make sure to sign the paper course selection sheet on the back of page 2
5. Complete a myBlueprint course submission. Ensure the 8 courses and alternatives on myBlueprint are the same as what you chose on the paper course selection sheet
6. Submit myBlueprint and print out Page 2.
7. Return the signed course selection sheet along with the page 2 printout of myBlueprint.

#### **My Blueprint Course Selection Instructions**

Go to [www.myblueprint.ca/tdsb](http://www.myblueprint.ca/tdsb)

Click Log In at the top right

Enter student email and password

click Login

- From the left navigation menu, click **High School**
- Click **Add Plan**
- Select the **School** and **Create New Plan**
- In the **Course Selection and Details** screen, explore the available courses
- Click Add Course when you find the one you want

**The choices made on myBlueprint should match the Grade 9 Choices on the paper course selection sheet.**

**DUE DATE: Please return both the paper course selection sheet and the myBlueprint printout by February 22.**



# Joint Ward Forum

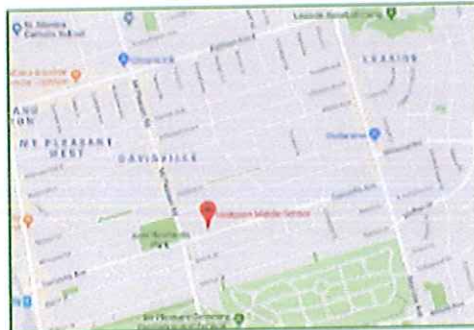
## 2019-2020 Operating Budget

**Thursday, March 7, 2019**

Hodgson Middle School

282 Davisville Ave, Toronto (just E of Mt Pleasant Rd)

7:00 - 9:00 pm



### Transit Directions

- Take the 11 or 28 bus from Davisville Station to Mt Pleasant Rd and walk east on Davisville Ave (3 min)
- Take the 74 bus north from St Clair Station to Davisville Ave and walk east on Davisville Ave (3 min)

### Parking Directions

- School parking lot is accessed at the south end of Harwood Road from Millwood Road

Each year, Trustees and staff work together to pass a balanced budget that best supports the achievement and well-being of all students. The TDSB's annual operating budget is approximately \$3.4 billion and we are committed to using these resources responsibly.

Associate Director Craig Snider will present the Board's draft 2019-2020 budget priorities, in-line with the Board's Multi-year Strategic Plan, which will guide the budget development.

**Bring your questions, share your ideas, and learn more about TDSB's Budget.**



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Refreshments will be served and childminding will be provided.