

Glenbow School Newsletter

October 2020



MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

Hello – Bonjour Parents of Glenbow School,

We have settled nicely into the new school year, and given the “new normal”, students and staff have adapted very well! We are in a groove with the new routines and procedures, and we are proud of how well everyone has handled the new context. Thank you too, parents for your support and encouragement. Doing things like using the [daily screening questionnaire](#) continues to help make our school safer.

As usual, this newsletter is full of important information so please take a moment to read it.

Exciting Class Size/Staffing Announcement

We are very pleased to announce effective Tuesday, October 6th, there will be changes to our Grade 3, 4 and 5 English classes. Rocky View Schools has recognized the large class sizes in our school and has allocated funding for a new teacher.

We are very pleased to announce Kristen Yager, who has worked at Glenbow the last couple of years in various teaching capacities, will take on a newly formed Grade 3/4 combined class. We are very happy as this will reduce our class sizes in Grades 3, 4 and 5 from 28-30 students down to 23–25 students.

With these changes comes an adjustment of teachers for some of our students. Students and their parents impacted will be notified by the school of the changes shortly. While we know the change will be an adjustment for some, particularly at this time of year, we know this will be positive for our students and their learning.

IMPORTANT DATES

*Oct 9th – Professional Learning Day –
No School*

*Oct 12th – Thanksgiving Day
– No school*

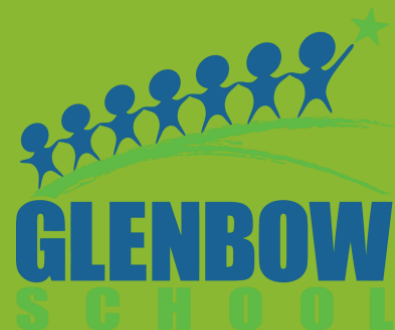
*Oct 14th – Say Cheese! It's Picture
Day*

*Oct 14th – School Council Meeting
7pm*

Nov 5th – Retakes Day

*Nov 11th – Remembrance Day
– No School*

*Nov 18-19th – Student Led
Conferences*



A Community of Learners Who Care
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Should My Child Come to School?

We are still receiving numerous phone calls regarding when to send your child(ren) back to school in the event of an illness. To help you in making these decisions, Rocky View Schools has provided a "Should I Go To School Today" [flowchart](#) that follows AHS guidelines for when to stay home and when to return to school.

Did You Know?

All classrooms are being disinfected every night, and as well, high touch areas (doors, handles, desks) are also done throughout the day. Thank you again to Ms. Ireton, our Head Building Operator, and our caretaking crew for their commitment to keeping our school clean.

Real Time Reporting (RTR)

Glenbow School is in the final group of Rocky View Schools adopting Real Time Reporting (RTR). Instead of issuing traditional report cards three times a year, parents will receive one report card at the end of June. In place of the traditional report cards in November and March, parents will be kept apprised of student progress in relation to curricular outcomes using the PowerSchool Parent Portal continuously throughout the year. Our school parent community has been very good at checking the portal for how their child(ren) are progressing. If you are ever having troubles logging on, please contact the office.

Further information on the RTR initiative can be found [here](#). Additionally we are looking into the possibility of hosting a parent session via Zoom for those who are interested in learning more about RTR, we will keep you posted.

Spirit Wear/Swag Available

Embedded in our newsletter is information regarding spirit wear available to our school community. Items to purchase include T-shirts, hoodies, baseball caps, toques and masks. Thank you to School Council and Carmen Hodges for all their efforts in making this spirit wear/swag available for us. Please consider making a purchase using School Cashnet. Let's show our school spirit!

WE CARE at Glenbow!

We had quite a start to our school week on Monday, January 27th we held our unveiling of our new school motto and mission statement. Students and parents in attendance were introduced to our motto

"A Community of Learners Who CARE". It was celebrated by a group of "CAREleaders" doing a cheer, being introduced to a new school chant, as well as a video showing how students and staff "Celebrate", "Accept", "Respect" and "Explore" in our school. With our new identity established, it is now time to live our mission about who we are!

Glenbow School Mission:

As a community of learners who CARE we:

Celebrate our learning, our creativity, our successes, and our diversity.

Accept each other for who we are.

Respect ourselves, others, and our environments.

Explore our wonders, our ideas, and our world.

En tant que communauté d'apprenants qui a un coeur en or, nous :

Célébrons nos apprentissages, notre créativité, nos succès et notre diversité.

Acceptons les autres tels qu'ils sont.

Respectons les autres, l'environnement et nous-même.

Explorons nos pensées, nos curiosités et nos idées dans le monde entier.



Virtual Student Lead Conferences

Traditionally our Student Led Conferences would be held in October. However, in light of adopting the new method for Communication of Student Learning (RTR) our Student Led Conferences will be hosted on November 18th and November 19th. Given the current circumstances we are looking at a virtual format for these, so please mark the date and watch for details to come.

Well that is it for now. As always, we really appreciate the effort and support of everyone in the Glenbow School Community!

Bonne Chance!

Message from School Council

Hello Fellow Glenbow Parents!

Welcome to October! It's hard to believe that we are already a month into this school year! School Council has a few things happening this month. Our School Swag/Merchandise for students and families is now posted on School CashNet to purchase. We offer hoodies, t-shirts and toques, caps and masks all with the Glenbow logo. Information package on sizing and designs were emailed last week. All orders are due Thursday, October 8th. We hope to see you at our next School Council meeting on Wednesday October 14th at 7pm. Please watch the Friday fan out for information on the location of the meeting.

We hope you are enjoying this beautiful fall weather! Happy Thanksgiving!

Glenbow School Council

Terry Fox Run.

Every fall Glenbow School hosts a Terry Fox Run, although this year we were not able to run together with the entire school community. Each class was out to run some laps in our school playground named The Terry Fox Memorial Park in honour of Terry Fox.



