



# GRIFFIN GAB

April 2024

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## Happy April!

As is usually the case for this time of year, mother nature has been serving us just about everything in her cupboard...sun, cloud, wind, rain, snow, along with warm and cold temperatures. Please continue to send your children to school dressed for the ever-changing weather conditions. It's also a great idea to send your child with extra clothes because we make countless calls home to replace wet and/or muddy clothes. Here's hoping that things stabilize with some sunny and warmer days so we can get our field dried out!



I am happy to share that we have a new permanent secretary!! **Ms. Sarah Bell** is coming to us from Plymouth & Princess Elizabeth, and we are super excited to welcome her to Glendale!

You have likely noticed that our new portables were delivered in mid-March. Electrical contractors are currently working on getting power out to the new classrooms and soon you will notice porches and skirting around each portable. In addition, our fence will be fitted with gates and an asphalt pad will be poured between the portables. Might I add that these portables will also have air conditioning...won't that be cool! LOL!

Anyway, I am so very excited for what these last three months hold in store for us. Please have a look at some of the things happening in April.

### March Certificate Winners "Perseverance"

Ms. Sousa/Mrs. Nowicki – Quinn B, Charlotte D, Leo M, & Grady G

Mrs. Thomas/Mrs. Cools – Jeremiah P, Carter J, Logan G-H, & Aubrey M,

Mrs. Sheridan – Ivorie S & Gates S

Mrs. Caron – Brixton L, Gordel S, & Danyka T

Ms. Gilleta – Collin H & Reign L-R

Mr. L'Ecuyer – Phoenix A, Ben M, Ulrich P, & Ace C

Mr. Winskill – Easton L, Alex R, Sam S, & Ava S

Mr. Neuman – Jack R & Garrett G

Ms. Doan - Nikita N, Acaydia G, & Lincoln McNulty

Mr. Mabee – Alyssa H & Kylah F

Ms. Henning – Lilyann B



For the month of April, staff will be looking for evidence of **Courage** that we will recognize and celebrate at the end of the month.



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## Extra-Curriculars & Clubs

I'm so proud of the dedication that Glendale staff have towards ensuring that there are always a variety of opportunities for students to get involved beyond the classroom. Check out all of the extracurriculars that are being offered throughout the month of April!

- Junior Boys Basketball - Ms. Doan & Mme Maltais
- Junior Girls Basketball - Ms. Gilleta, Ms. Gullion, Ms Wells
- Junior Floor Hockey – Mr. L'Ecuyer
- Gr 4-8 Drawing Club - Ms. Perry
- UNO Club – Ms. Perry
- Primary Chess Club – Mr. Mabee
- Junior/Intermediate Chess Club - Mr. Mabee



## International Day of Pink

The International Day of Pink is set up as an International Day against bullying, discrimination, homophobia, transphobia, and transmisogyny in cities and towns all across the world. On **Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**, everyone is invited to celebrate diversity by wearing pink.



## Spirit Days

**Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** will be **Glendale Spiritwear Day**. Show your school pride by wearing your Glendale swag!



**Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>** will be **Superhero Day!** Are you a Marvel or DC fan? Maybe your favourite superhero is your parent/guardian or sibling or teacher! Come dressed as an amazing hero!



## School Council Fundraisers

Are you running low on chicken fingers, burgers & bacon? Not to worry because Big Red Fundraiser is currently live on [School Cash Online](#). Orders will close on April 11. The delivery date on orders should be sometime during the fourth week of April...just in time for BBQ season!



On **Monday May 6**, our entire school will celebrate **Music Monday** by participating in a **Dance-a-thon!** Classes will have a scheduled period in the gym to move and groove to the music alongside their teachers. It's going to be a great event! More information on pledge forms & available prizes will go out in late April.



### Welland Jackfish Game

On **May 7**, students from Grade 3-8 will be heading over to the Welland Stadium to watch the Welland Jackfish play the Hamilton Cardinals in an **11:00am** Intercounty Baseball game. Tickets will go on sale on School Cash Online for \$10.00 per student in early April. The school will cover the cost of transportation. Parent chaperones are also welcome to attend with the purchase of a \$10.00 ticket but parents will likely need to drive themselves to the game as we are unable to accommodate them on the bus.



### Domino's Fundraiser

On **Sunday April 14**, our local Domino's franchise at Niagara St & Thorold Rd is hosting a **"Dough Raiser"** event whereby families can order a 2-topping Large Pizza (\$12.99 + tax) and Glendale gets **\$5.00!** What a great way to enjoy your Sunday dinner **AND** support your school! Make sure you mention that you are from Glendale!!



### Earth Day

Glendale will be recognizing **Earth Day on Monday April 22**. We encourage students to wear "earth tones" (green/blue/brown).



### Grade 8 Graduation

Mark your calendars, folks! Our Grade 8 graduation will take place at **6:00pm on Thursday, June 20** at the Wesley United Church on First Avenue. We are currently looking to host the ceremony and light refreshments after the ceremony on site at Wesley United and we will definitely share more details in the very near future as our planning unfolds.



### April 8 PD Day & Solar Eclipse

Students will enjoy an extended weekend as **Monday, April 8** will be a PD Day for staff, and there will be no classes for students. Educators will be engaged in professional learning.

**Monday, April 8** is the date of the Solar Eclipse. We want to encourage our families to practice safety on this day in order to avoid eye damage during the solar eclipse. Do not look directly at the eclipse at all. If you want to look at the eclipse indirectly, use only safe solar eclipse glasses, viewers, or filters from reputable vendors that meet international safety standards.

