

GLENDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL - WELCOME BACK!!

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our staff is working hard to keep your children safe and learn the new protocols put in place this year. They are enthusiastic about our programs and activities this year. In order to assist us, we request that you complete the following forms in Schoolcash by **Friday, September 18, 2020**. Visit www.dsbm.org/schoolcash and select "Register Now" to register in Schoolcash if you are not registered yet. Schoolcash is used for online permission forms and online payments. There are two forms in Schoolcash: PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES PERMISSION, USING INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES and DAILY PARENTAL SCREENING AGREEMENT.

STUDENT VERIFICATION FORM

Please update student information. Fill in only boxes on the right where information is to be corrected.

COMPLETE, SIGN AND DATE THE BACK OF THE DATA SHEET.

Student Arrival/Dismissal Routines

Please be aware that we will be using new routines this year at Glendale. As outlined in the return to school guide, parents will not be allowed onto the school yard so that we can reduce crowding and maximize physical distancing. For our Kindergarten students, we have created two separate outdoor classrooms within our Kindergarten play area. Parents will continue to drop-off/pick-up children at the Kindergarten gate as usual. We ask that families remain 2m apart and that parents leave the drop-off/pick-up area promptly so that crowding does not occur. Morning drop-off is between 8:35 a.m. – 8:50 a.m., and we are asking Kindergarten parents to arrange for pick-up between 2:50 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

For our Grade 1-8 students, our Kiss'N Ride lane will be closed and blocked off with pylons. Parents will be able to walk children to the gate of the Kiss'N Ride lane. You will be greeted by our staff at the gate, and we will assist students to their outdoor classroom on our yard. Morning drop-off is between 8:35 a.m. – 8:50 a.m., and we are asking Grade 1-3 parents to arrange for pick-up between 3:00 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. Grade 4-8 students will be dismissed at 3:10 p.m.

Students who need to be picked up during the day must have a note sent to the teacher and a call to the office for easier pick up. If the school is not aware of a student's departure it could take up to 20min to prepare your child for departure. This is due to the fact that your child could be outside and we have no paging system for outdoor classrooms.

TERRY FOX DONATIONS

We are very excited to continue to participate in the Terry Fox Run/Walk this year at Glendale. Our Glendale Run/Walk will look a bit different this year, as we practice social distancing. Each class will participate in the Terry Fox Run/Walk on Friday, September 18 or Monday, September 21 by running/walking out on the Glendale yard. Each class will sign up for their own time to walk/run on our field. All donations this year will need to be made online.

If you would like to donate to the Terry Fox Foundation on behalf of Glendale Public School, you can donate using the following link: <http://www.terryfox.ca/GlendalePSWelland>

Thank you for your continued support of this great cause!

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Prevalent Medical Conditions

If your child has any allergies or other medical conditions please visit our DSBN website to access the documents that we ask you to return to the school promptly. It is **ALWAYS BEST PRACTICE for students to have their EpiPen with them.** If you want to send in an extra, we will keep it at the office.

<https://www.dsbn.org/prevalent-medical-conditions/>

Parental Agreement for Daily Screening

Everyone has a role to play in keeping families safe and reduce the spread of COVID-19. It is the responsibility of parents and caregivers to assess their children on a daily basis before sending them to school. Additionally, parents must have a person available to pick up their child right away, should they become sick during school.

DSBN has developed a Daily Screening Tool for parents. Please use the following link to review the guidelines. We ask that all families then sign the agreement and return a copy to the office.

<https://www.dsbn.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/dsbn-parental-agreement-for-daily-screening.pdf>

This form has been e-mailed to all parent through Schoolcash and we ask that all students have an agreement filled in.

School Messenger App

REPORTING YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE –Our preferred method of reporting your child's absence is to use the Safe Arrival method by phone, online or app. 1-866-606-5567. To register visit <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>, select "Sign Up" to create account. Select Attendance, then Report Absence when your child is away.

NSTS Information for Parents

Please check the nsts.ca website every Wednesday morning after 10:00 a.m. for any updates to your child's bussing.

Communication with Staff using School Messenger App

As you know, your child's school uses School Messenger to message you. It's been a bit quirky lately, and some parents have not been receiving messages. To make sure you are getting all of the up to date information from your child's school, please log out of School Messenger and then log back in.

If you receive an error message, you will be prompted to contact your child's school to verify log in information. If you don't receive an error message, you are good to go.

If you do not have a School Messenger account, please visit <https://go.schoolmessenger.com/> or download the app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store to create an account. Use the email account your school has on file to get started.

If it says your email is not on file, please contact your school by phone to update your record.

Glendale Daily Schedule

Time	Period	Notes
8:35-8:50 a.m.	Duty Begins	Students arrive at school and go to their assigned outdoor classroom
8:50-9:10 a.m.	Period #1	Classes will start the day outside to review our new safety guidelines including proper use of face masks and handwashing. Students arriving to school after 9:00 a.m. must first report to the Office for attendance.
9:10-9:50 a.m.	Period #2	
9:50-10:30 a.m.	Period #3	
10:30-11:10 a.m.	Period #4	Primary Nutrition Break
11:10-11:50 a.m.	Period #5	Junior/Intermediate Nutrition Break
11:50-12:30 p.m.	Period #6	
12:30-1:10 p.m.	Period #7	Primary Nutrition Break
1:10-1:50 p.m.	Period #8	Junior/Intermediate Nutrition Break
1:50-2:30 p.m.	Period #9	
2:30-3:10 p.m.	Period #10	

Computer returns

Please return all laptops to the school when you return to in school learning. All grade 7 and 8 students will be using their computers in-class and do not have to return them.

Milk & Hot Lunches

Milk and Pizza has been put on hold for now.

Orange t-shirt Day on September 30 -t-short available for purchase inschoolcash only for two days

On September 30, DSBN will join with others across Canada in honouring the memory of every child that had to attend residential school. Orange Shirt Day - Every Child Matters, reflects on the effects of Indian Residential Schools and is an affirmation of our commitment to ensuring that every child matters. Orange Shirt Day has been marked in schools across Canada in a variety of ways, including Orange Ribbon campaigns, commemorative walks, and wearing orange shirts. DSBN recognizes Orange Shirt Day each year and our students and staff are encouraged to wear something orange on this day.

Orange Shirt Day began with a commemoration event held at St. Joseph Mission in Williams Lake, British Columbia, where years before, Phyllis Webstad had her new orange shirt taken away on her first day of residential school. She never saw the shirt again and the colour represented her loss of language and cultural identity. The end of September is the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to attend residential schools and September 30 is the official Orange Shirt Day. Phyllis's story has become part of a national recognition event and wearing orange has become a symbol of the many losses experienced by thousands of students and families due to residential schools.



Thank you for your support and cooperation in completing all the necessary forms, it is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Troy Wallace

Mr. T. Wallace, Principal