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## **WELCOME FROM GLEN OGILVIE SCHOOL COUNCIL (GOSC)**



To all new and returning Glen Ogilvie families, welcome to a new school year! The Glen Ogilvie School Council (GOSC) understands this is a busy time, and hopes the information enclosed assists in planning for the 2016/17 school year.

### **FIRST SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

The first school council meeting and Annual General Meeting will be **Wednesday, September 21 at 7 pm in the school library**. Elections for all positions for the upcoming school year will be taking place at this time. All positions are open. School council works in partnership with the school administration to make Glen Ogilvie a safe, fun school where students can achieve their best and plans activities and fundraisers. If you want to know more about Glen O, please come to a school council meeting! Along with interested parents, the principal, vice-principal and a teacher representative attend each meeting.

Parents are also welcome to sit as a member-at-large, which gives them a vote but no specific responsibilities. All council meetings are open sessions—we invite anyone who is interested to drop in! All monthly meeting dates are on the enclosed calendar. The list of current members is available on the Glen Ogilvie School Council website: <http://www.gosc.ca>

**SAVE THE DATE Meet-the-Teacher – Thursday, September 22**  
5pm to 6pm Pizza dinner – 6pm to 7pm Classroom visits

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers are needed for council events such as lunch programs, dances, and fundraisers that benefit our children's educational experience. Forms go home throughout the year looking for volunteers during school and evening hours. Please consider volunteering—Glen O prides itself on being a community school with lots of spirit. Volunteering continues this tradition of family and community involvement.

If you don't have time to volunteer, but are involved in a business or have contacts who may wish to donate items (raffle items for a dance, craft supplies, envelopes, etc.), please consider contributing in this way. Our fundraising committee is always looking for this kind of help.

For more information on volunteering at Glen O, or to add your name to the email distribution list, please email Nora Kennedy at [norak@rogers.com](mailto:norak@rogers.com).

## **LUNCHES AND MILK AT GLEN OGILVIE**



For your convenience, council sponsors lunch programs for the school's children. Descriptions of these programs will be sent home next week – so keep an eye on your kids' backpacks! You'll find details about our milk and pizza programs in this information package, along with sign-up sheets for both. Any questions on the food programs please contact Tanya Monteiro at [tanyasmonteiro@gmail.com](mailto:tanyasmonteiro@gmail.com).

## **FUNDRAISING**

School councils across Ontario raise millions of dollars to supplement our provincial public school funding and help improve children's learning experiences. This fundraising is an essential supplement to core government funding. Glen Ogilvie School Council runs fundraisers that raise thousands of dollars for our kids. The following fundraisers run throughout the year:



### ***FundScrip!!***

Ahead of the holiday season, GOSC will also run a FundScrip campaign. Purchasing FundScrip gift cards allows you to shop where you already do, and give back to Glen O at the same time.

There are over 170 Canadian retailers including stores in Blackburn Hamlet like Metro, Shoppers Drug Mart, Petro Canada, and Subway – plus M&M Meat Shops, Loblaws, Superstore Wal-Mart, Sears, The Bay, Cineplex, SilverCity, iTunes, Esso, Best Buy, Staples, Swiss Chalet, Pizza Pizza, Boston Pizza, The Keg, and many more!

Gift cards never expire and make great gifts. Please watch for more information to come home in November and please share the order form with family, friends and coworkers.

### ***QSP Reader's Digest Magazine New Subscriptions & Renewals!!***

Hundreds of magazine titles are available at great savings over newsstand prices!

They make great gifts and promote literacy.

Next month we will be kicking off the GOSC annual QSP Reader's Digest Magazine campaign. You, family and friends can order from hundreds of magazine titles for themselves, or as gifts. All current subscriptions can be renewed directly through QSP Reader's Digest rather than the publisher, in order to benefit Glen Ogilvie Public School. Subscriptions can be ordered or renewed on-line as well. Watch for more information to come home with your student next month.

### ***Canadian Tire money:***

You can drop off any Canadian Tire money you may have to the school office or send it in to your child's teacher. The school uses this money to help purchase needed equipment for the gymnasium and related sports programmes. Every little bit helps!

***Campbell's Labels for Education:***

There is a box in the office for your Campbell's labels. Save them from your soup cans, Goldfish crackers, or V8 products. After we collect many, many, many of these labels, we're able to use them towards the purchase of various school supplies for Glen Ogilvie. Since we need to collect so many, every label counts so please consider asking grandparents, neighbours, and friends to support Glen O by saving their labels too.

For more information about GOSC's fundraising, please contact Nora Kennedy at [norak@rogers.com](mailto:norak@rogers.com). If you have any ideas for fundraising campaigns or would like to volunteer to assist with our efforts, Nora would be very happy to hear from you!

**ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION**

School council has its own website in order to help save trees and increase our connection with all families at Glen Ogilvie.

For parents who would like to receive Council newsletters and other notices via email, please visit our website and enter your name and email address to subscribe. This list will not be shared with any other organization and will be used only by school council for the purposes of communicating with families.

**UPCOMING SCHOOL COUNCIL DATES 2016/2017**

Weds Sep 21	School council meeting in school library
Thurs Sep 22	Meet-the-Teacher, 5 - 7pm (more info to come)
Thurs Oct 6	Parent workshop – Learning Styles
Weds Oct 19	School council meeting in school library
Thurs Oct 27	Hallowe'en Dance
Weds Nov 16	School council meeting in school library
Weds Jan 18	School council meeting in school library
Weds Feb 15	School council meeting in school library
Thurs Feb 16	Valentine's / Friendship Dance
Weds Mar 8	School council meeting in school library
Weds Apr 19	School council meeting in school library
Weds May 17	School council meeting in school library
Weds Jun 21	School council final meeting, location TBD

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Should you have any questions, suggestions, or comments about the Council or any of its activities, please contact Jessica Faure at [jessica@faure.ca](mailto:jessica@faure.ca) or (613) 263-5291. As well, all council-related information and forms can be found at our website:

[WWW.GOSC.CA](http://WWW.GOSC.CA)

GOSC wishes everyone a great year at Glen O!

