

## Glenbrook Community Preschool Newsletter

June 2014

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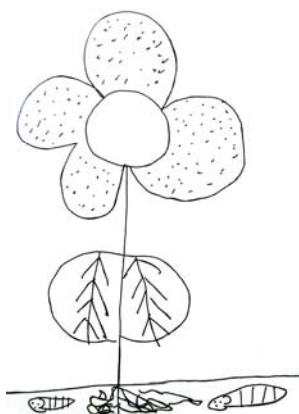
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### We are a Peanut Free Zone

Thank you for continuing to respect the preschool's peanut free policy by not sending any food to preschool with your child.

### Message from the Chairperson

As the 2013-2014 school year winds down...



I would like to take this opportunity to gratefully thank everybody who worked so hard to make this another successful year at the Glenbrook Community Preschool!

The staff - Liz Fozzard, Brenda Miller, Sandi Oelhaupl, Starla Robinson and Robyn McConnell – demonstrate their dedication and excellent care for the students each and every day in the classrooms. The children are provided with a rich introduction to school life and are sent home happy and full of fun stories every day. Thank you!

The Executive Members have worked exceptionally hard this year in pulling together, making decisions as a team, and dedicating their time and hearts to daily Preschool matters. They have gone above and beyond the call of duty to ensure its success. Thank you!

We would not be able to run the program without all of the volunteer support and donations of time, crafts, and helpful ideas. Thank you!

The Glenbrook Elementary School continues to provide a warm, welcoming environment for the Preschool and we are grateful to be working as a team with them again next year. Thank you!

I welcome all of the families to attend the Year End Picnic to celebrate our year at the Preschool and to kick off some summer fun! I hope to see you there.

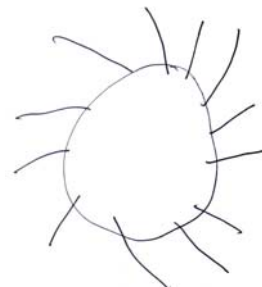
Maxine Bruggencate,

Chairperson

### Upcoming Holidays and Important Dates

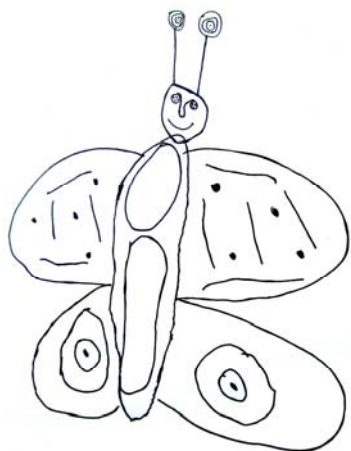
Wednesday, June 11 ----- Last day of classes

Friday, June 13 ----- Year end picnic



## This and That

- There are still spaces in our two year old program available for the fall. This parented program is a gentle way to introduce your child to the preschool experience. It will run Wednesday afternoons from 3:45 to 4:45. If you know anyone who may be interested, they can phone the preschool at 403-686-6868 or visit our website at [glenbrookpreschool.org](http://glenbrookpreschool.org)
- A huge thank you to all of the parents who have volunteered to serve on next year's PAC! We are still looking to fill the position of **advertising coordinator**. If interested, please email Maxine at [chair@glenbrookpreschool.org](mailto:chair@glenbrookpreschool.org)
- We are also looking for a few **parent volunteers** to help run sack races at the year end picnic. If you are able to help out, please email Janis at: [social\\_coord@glenbrookpreschool.org](mailto:social_coord@glenbrookpreschool.org) Thanks!
- Did you know that after our students finish preschool in mid-June, our teachers are still hard at work until the elementary school closes for the summer? Not only do they have to clean every toy in the preschool, but they also have to remove everything from the classrooms so the floors can be cleaned. Then they must move it all back in again! So, although June is a slightly shorter month for students, there is still plenty going on behind the scenes!



## Year End Picnic

It's almost here! Our annual preschool picnic is this Friday, and all preschool families are invited to join us!

**Date:** Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 11:00 pm to 1:00 pm

**Where:** the field behind the Glenbrook Community Centre at 3524 45 Street SW (across 45<sup>th</sup> Street from the school)

**Bring:** lawn chairs or blankets, food and drink for your own family (please remember when packing your lunch that our school is peanut free), sunscreen and bug spray.

We will have games set up for the children, as well as a glitter tattoo artist! Please make sure all children are accompanied by an adult. Also, please note that this event is weather dependent. If in doubt, check the School News section of our website the morning of the picnic at:

<http://www.glenbrookpreschool.org/school-news.html>

We will update it with the picnic status by 10:00 am.

Hope to see everyone there!

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## Good-bye Mrs. O.

This summer we regretfully say good-bye to our teacher and aide, Sandi Oelhaupl. Her enthusiasm and warmth have helped make Glenbrook Preschool a fun, welcoming learning environment for our students for the past seven years. We wish her all the best in her new position at Marda Loop Preschool!

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## Fundraising Update

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Spolumbo's fundraiser and donated to the preschool – together we raised a total of \$1,730! This was our most profitable fundraiser this year. A special thank you and congratulations to the Newcombe family for their 13 case order! They've won the "movie night package." Just a reminder that all orders will be delivered around noon at the year end picnic on Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Please make alternate arrangements if you are unable to pick up your order. (For example, have another family attending the picnic pick up your order on your behalf.) Any food that is not picked up by the end of the picnic will be delivered to a local food bank. In the unfortunate event that the picnic is cancelled due to weather, the delivery truck will still arrive with our purchases, so all items will still need to be picked up around noon.

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## Provincial Childcare Subsidy

If you wish to apply for the provincial childcare subsidy for the 2014-15 school year, please note that you may apply up to one month before the subsidy start date (ie. August 1<sup>st</sup> if your child is starting preschool in September).

This provincial program provides up to \$1200 per year to cover preschool tuition fees for children who are cared for by a stay-at-home parent. There is a maximum household income to qualify and the stay-at-home parent cannot work, volunteer, or attend school more than 20 hours per week. For further information or to apply, please call 1-877-644-9992 or visit:

<http://humanservices.alberta.ca/financial-support/15679.html#stay>

Also, please note that the website has a subsidy estimator, which you can use at any time to determine your eligibility before filling out all of the application forms. It can be found at:

<http://humanservices.alberta.ca/financial-support/15668.html>