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P a r k i n g

Thank you to all preschool families for respecting NO PARKING zones as well as residents' garages when picking up and dropping off your children! Thanks for helping maintain our positive relationship with both the elementary school and the surrounding community.

Did you know....

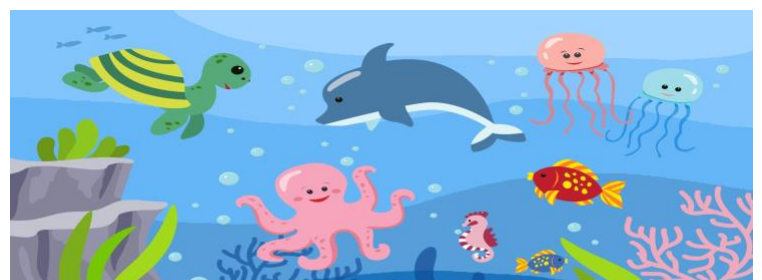
Calgary Public Library has an on-line story time for preschoolers on Monday-Wednesday-Friday mornings.
Register on the Calgary Public Library website.

This Month at Preschool

As we start our third month of school, our students are beginning to explore oceans. Your child will have opportunities to discover new concepts about sea life as they peruse the classroom books. They can experiment with colours, textures, and images of the sea as they construct a gluing craft or try out their painting skills. As always, our playdough toys and tools change regularly, and provide students with a very tactile way to explore new ideas. More information on playdough's role in your child's learning can be found on the second page of this newsletter.

Upcoming Holidays and Important Dates

- Thursday Nov 11: NO SCHOOL- Remembrance Day
- Friday Nov 12: NO SCHOOL- PD Day
- Friday Nov 26: NO SCHOOL- PD Day
- Wednesday Dec 15: Last day of school for 4-yr old classes
- Thursday Dec 16: Last day of school for 3-yr old classes
- Tuesday Jan 4: Classes Resume
- Monday Jan 31: NO SCHOOL- PD Day
- Thursday and Friday Feb 17 and 18: NO SCHOOL- Teachers Convention
- Monday Feb 21: NO SCHOOL- Family Day



I L L N E S S R E M I N D E R S :

- If your child is ill, you must keep them home.
- Your child must be medication free for 24 hours prior to start of class times before they are allowed to attend class
- Children displaying any cold/flu/covid symptoms must stay at home 10 days from onset of symptoms or return when symptom free and proof of negative Covid test
- If any other family member in your home is displaying any cold/flu/covid symptoms, your child must stay at home until said family member is symptom free
- Please go through the Covid Screening before coming to class each day

Dressing for Preschool

The preschool classroom tends to be on the warm side. Please remember this when dressing your child

Please remember to send appropriate outerwear with your child. When weather permits, they will be going outside to play. Snowpants, mitts, hats, and boots are especially recommended when the weather starts to get cooler and as we get more snow.

F U N D R A I S I N G

Do you have bottles piling up? Let SkipTheDepot help!

1. Download the app and book a pickup using <https://app.skipthedepot.com/gps>
2. Place your bags outside
3. Donate your refund to Glenbrook Preschool Society!

A big thank you to **Katie Derkacz**, **Angela Manley**, and **Jesse Skwaruk** for your recent SkipTheDepot donation. Every donation supports exceptional preschool programming!

Learning Resources Wish List Coming True

Thank you to all the parents who signed up to our recent fundraiser. The response has been so generous, bringing us very close to our goal.

There are still a few spots left if you haven't signed up yet!

Click this link to go to our invitation page on SignUp:
<https://signup.com/go/UgosXXi>

Deadline to participate is **November 5**, so sign up now!

How do you survive a Calgary winter?

- 1) Drink coffee
- 2) Eat pie
- 3) Contribute to a great cause
- 4) All of the above

Answer: 4) All of the above, and we'll show you how. **Stay tuned for our Nov/Dec YUM-raiser!**



Follow us on Facebook and Instagram:



"Glenbrook Preschool Society"

School updates and reminders will be posted to both.



Learning Through Play

Are you wondering why playdough is such an important staple in our classroom? Here are a few things your child gains from this satisfying sensory experience. Playdough can help children to:

- Develop hand, eye, arm and body coordination, and strengthen finger and hand muscles through squeezing, patting, pounding, rolling, poking, pinching, and cutting with scissors
- Dramatize about food and cooking and identify with the role of family cook
- Be successful – playdough is easy to mould and manipulate
- Be creative
- Learn about science and math – preparing, weighing, measuring
- Feel settled and safe

Parents' Advisory Committee (PAC) Meetings:

Next Meeting: November 24th @ 7:30

All meetings are held via Zoom.

Any changes will be communicated via the monthly newsletter.

If you'd like to attend, please email Katie at president@glenbrookpreschool.org or katie.ann.gibson@gmail.com.

