

## THIS MONTH AT PRESCHOOL

Preschool is now well underway, with the first month already behind us! Our students have had busy days full of playing and exploring various shapes and colours in September. Pre-K children are also off to a wonderful start!

### Classroom Theme

With October now upon us, we turn our imaginations to the ideas, images, sights, and sounds of Thanksgiving and Halloween. Perhaps your child can tell you about the Thanksgiving playdough tools they have been using, or a Halloween book the teacher read!

## THE WEATHER IS CHANGING

Please dress your child in weather appropriate clothing. Class regularly ventures outdoors. During the colder months the classroom can get quite warm. We suggest t-shirts, not hoodies or sweatshirts when dressing your child for school

### PLEASE REMEMBER: DO NOT USE THE LARGE PLAYGROUND BEFORE OR AFTER PRESCHOOL.

It is solely for the use of the elementary during their class time. No public use permitted between 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

## ILLNESS REMINDER



If your child is ill, you must keep him/ her home (both for your child's sake and to ensure that the other children do not become ill). If your child becomes ill while at school, you will be called to come and pick him/her up. Your child must be medication-free (including cold medication, Tylenol, Advil, etc.) for 24 hours prior to the start of class time.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**OCT. 14** - Thanksgiving (Holiday)

**OCT. 25** - Non-Instruction Day (No School)

**NOV. 08** - Non-Instruction Day (No School)

**Fall Break: NOV. 11 - NOV. 13 (No School)**

**NOV. 29** - Non-Instruction Day (No School)

## HALLOWEEN IN CLASS

**Wednesday, October 30:** 4YO program students can come to class with a costume. Must be easy for the child to take off and put back on when they use the washroom. **NO** face masks or accessories please. Thank you!

**Thursday, October 31:** Since 3YOs typically don't do well with costumes in class, it will be a PJ DAY for those attending class on this day.



## QUESTIONS ABOUT GPS

Many of your questions can be answered by looking in the Parent Handbook and Policy and Procedures found on the Glenbrook Preschool Society webpage: [www.glenbrookpreschool.org](http://www.glenbrookpreschool.org).



## FALL FUNDRAISER

### BOTTLE DRIVE

To help support the Glenbrook Preschool fund the many exciting learning projects that benefit your children, Glenbrook Preschool is running a bottle drive from **October 15th - 18th**.

Bottles can be dropped off at the preschool at student drop-off or at pick-up. Or, we can get them at your house anytime prior to the collection dates by sending an email to [glenbrookpreschoolfundraiser@gmail.com](mailto:glenbrookpreschoolfundraiser@gmail.com).



## FIND US ON SOCIAL

Find us on social media! Like us, follow us... get the latest news, classroom updates and monthly reminders.

[@GlenbrookPreschoolSociety](https://www.facebook.com/GlenbrookPreschoolSociety)

## LEARNING THROUGH PLAY

Wooden building blocks are a perennial favorite in preschool classrooms around the world and our classroom is no exception. Kids loves blocks! In addition to providing hours of fun, did you know that block play can help children to:

- Learn about gravity, stability, balance, weight, and trial and error;
- Understand shape, size, space, depth, width, and height;
- Develop hand-eye coordination and muscles;
- Learn to plan and ask questions;
- Gain Confidence in their own abilities, and
- Learn to cooperate and share with others.

## PEANUT-FREE ZONE

We are a **Peanut-Free Zone**. Glenbrook Preschool Society will be providing a healthy snack for your child during their preschool class, so there is no need to pack one.

In addition, please do not send any other food, such as birthday or holiday treats, to school with your child due to allergy concerns. Even food that has come in contact with peanuts can be potentially dangerous for some children.

**Thank you for your cooperation.**

## REMINDERS

- Check out the preschool's website ([glenbrookpreschool.org](http://glenbrookpreschool.org))
- To maintain consistency in the classroom, we kindly ask that you encourage your children to address their teachers using their surnames. They are Mrs. Miller and Mrs. H. Thanks for your assistance with this!
- **NO** parking, dropping off or pick up allowed in the staff parking lot. Please park your vehicle where permitted.
- Please write your child's name inside their backpack.
- As of October 1, 2024, the 3 year old class pick up time is now at 11:30 AM and for the remainder of the school year.



## PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)



As a non-profit, we rely on parent volunteers to join our PAC! As always, we are happy to have several parents volunteer their time year after year. Since we are a parent-run organization with several roles to help operate at our optimal, GPS is excited to have a handful of new parents take part in our PAC fulfilling almost every role. We are currently looking for a Newsletter Editor. If you are a parent/guardian of a student with GPS and are interested, please email our program coordinator at [president@glenbrookpreschool.org](mailto:president@glenbrookpreschool.org).

All parents/guardians are welcome to attend all PAC meeting which are held on the last Tuesday of each month virtually. Our next meeting is on **Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 7:30 PM**. If you would like to attend, please email [president@glenbrookpreschool.org](mailto:president@glenbrookpreschool.org) and your request will be sent to our chair, Stephen Bernier.

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