



SEPTEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM PROGRAM COORDINATOR

I want to welcome all of Glenbrook Preschool's new and returning families for the 2024-2025 school year.

The teachers and Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) feel privileged to share this exciting milestone in your child's life. Our mission is to provide a nurturing, caring, and safe environment in which your child is encouraged to grow and learn.

I hope we can make a positive difference and that your child's preschool experience is memorable.

Sincerely,

Michelle Ibbotson
Program Coordinator | Glenbrook Preschool



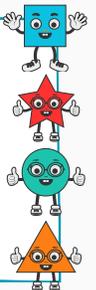
IMPORTANT DATES

- SEPT. 27** - Non-Instruction Day (No School)
 - SEPT. 30** - Truth & Reconciliation (No School)
 - 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)**

NEW 4/5 YEAR-OLD PRE-K PROGRAM STARTS THIS YEAR! LIMITED SPACES. CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO.

CLASSROOM THEME

This month, the students will be busy exploring various shapes and colours as they settle into their new routines.



MEET THE TEACHERS

We are incredibly grateful to welcome back Mrs. Miller who has been with our preschool for 19 years!

Her expertise as a certified Early Childhood Educator, combined with her ability to inspire creativity, discovery, and critical thinking in our students, truly makes a difference in their early learning experiences.

Your dedication to fostering a nurturing and stimulating environment has been invaluable to our community. Thank you for your continued commitment and passion for education—we look forward to another wonderful year!

We are also delighted to welcome Ms. H back to the classroom for her third year with us!

We're thrilled to have her return and truly appreciate her dedication and enthusiasm for teaching our students alongside Mrs. Miller.

She has made a significant impact. We are confident that her continued passion and commitment will inspire and support our students' growth.

Thank you for all that you do, and here's to another great year together!



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.

PARKING



Glenbrook Elementary School has been very welcoming of our preschool. You can help by ensuring we maintain this positive relationship by respecting the school's rules regarding parking and child drop-off and pick-up, as outlined in the Parent Handbook.

Please remember to enter only through the south side entrance, and do not park in the staff parking lot.

Parking is available on the street at the back of the school and in the alley, highlighted in RED on the map shown. Please do not parking in front of neighbourhood garages and areas that are prohibited areas in the alley.

Thank you for your cooperation!



DID YOU KNOW?

Glenbrook Preschool Society is a non-profit organization and is not part of the Calgary Board of Education.

As an independent, non-profit, we rely on fundraising to cover the costs of purchasing our own supplies, learning material and books, plus other expenses necessary to operate our preschool.

Our program has a low student to teacher ratio and do not require mandatory classroom volunteers. We do our best to keep our tuition fees low and accessible to all families.

We typically run two fundraisers (one before Winter Break and one in Spring), with a couple ongoing throughout the year.

All fundraisers are voluntary, but appreciate every bit of our communities support!

Our 1st BOTTLE DRIVE starts in October!!! If you want to help and participate to support our preschool, start saving those bottles. MORE INFO COMING SOON!



REMINDERS

- If you need to contact us, please call the preschool at 403-686-6868. Please leave a message, and our teachers will reply to messages at the end of the day. *Please do not call Glenbrook Elementary School, as they are not associated with the preschool and cannot answer preschool inquiries.
- Please label everything your child brings to school and ensure your child brings a backpack containing an extra set of clothes to each class.
- Please choose VELCRO indoor shoes for your child that have proper soles on them. Slippers are not recommended, as our class spends plenty of time outdoors and is required to go outdoors during fire drills. **NO LACES!**
- Please review the Parent Handbook regarding our policies. This is an important reminder for families to pick up your child on time. We have a late pick-up policy and the individual who picks up the child must be authorized by the parent/guardian and is 18 years of age.
- Please know that our teachers cannot supervise children outside of class time. **SUGGESTION:** Why not find a "buddy" parent in your child's class to look after your child in the event you are delayed at pick-up time?
- Glenbrook Preschool Society will be providing a healthy snack for your child during their preschool class, so there is no reason to pack one. In addition, please do not send any food, such as birthday or holiday treats to school with your child due to allergy concerns. Even food that has been come in contact with peanuts can be potentially dangerous for some children.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!



PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)



As a non-profit, we rely on parent volunteers to join our PAC! We are a parent-run organization with several roles to help operate at our optimal. Many roles are vacant (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Newsletter/Social Media, and Webmaster). If you are interested in any of these roles, please contact our Program Coordinator at parent@glenbrookpreschool.org, or let our preschool teacher know. We appreciate your time and consideration

All parents/guardians are welcome to attend all PAC meeting which are held on the last Tuesday of each month virtually at 7:30 PM. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, September 24, 2024. If you would like to attend, please contact our Program Coordinator.

READ MORE AT

www.glenbrookpreschool.org