

## Week #26 Glad Park PS E-Bulletin: March 8 - 12

## **IMPORTANT March DATES:**

March 9 - Virtual Presentation Presenter Duane Gibson - Celebrating Black History → Kindergarten - grade 2 @ 8:30 - 9:20 am → Grade 3 - 5 @ 10:40 - 11:30 am → Grade 6 - 8 @ 1:15 - 2:05 pm March 19 - Flannel Friday March 22 - The Great Gulp

<u>Anaphylaxis procedure</u> - Under the Board's Anaphylactic Reactions policy and procedure, parents/guardians are responsible for ensuring that their child, where age and/or developmentally appropriate, carries an epinephrine auto-injector at all times.

If your child has an anaphylactic reaction, having an epinephrine auto-injector immediately available substantially increases the chances of it being effective to counteract the reaction. It is also important that students develop independence to deal with their life-threatening allergies (anaphylaxis) whenever possible, which includes keeping an epinephrine auto-injector with them at all times.

Many of our students carry their EPIPEN in an waist bag. Please ensure that your child is aware that they must carry the EPIPEN on their person at all times.

## YRDSB Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy External Launch

Virtual Event for students, staff & families Monday March 8 @ 5 p.m. – 7 p.m:

All staff, students, families and members of the community are invited to join Director Louise Sirisko and the members of the Senior Leadership Team as they formally introduce the strategy. Participants will be provided with an overview of the strategy and learn about anti-Black racism in the Canadian context which speaks to the urgency of this work in education.

Keynote speaker, Robyn Maynard, will provide insight into the historical significance of anti-Black racism and help everyone to see the importance of the board's commitment to dismantling anti-Black racism.

- Registration Details;
- Date: March 8, 2021
- Time: 5-7 p.m.
- Guest presenter: Robyn Maynard
- Audience: Public

• Registration: Please <u>register here</u>

Registrants will receive a follow-up email with further information to complete the registration on Go-To Webinar.

For course content inquiries, please contact <u>dabrøyrdsb.ca</u>

## **GAPPS profile images**

With the move to online learning, many students have been choosing to add profile images in their Google Applications for Education (GAPPS) accounts. This is the image that appears along with the student's name in Google Classroom, Google Meet, etc.

It has come to the Board's attention that some individuals are using inappropriate profile images, including images that are racist and discriminatory.

We do not tolerate any forms of hate or discrimination. These images cause pain and can make other students and staff members feel unsafe, marginalized, and unwelcome in our learning environments. Appropriate actions are being taken to address this issue when inappropriate profile images have been used.

Through the Board's ongoing commitment to dismantling racism and creating welcoming and inclusive learning environments, all GAPPS profile images will be temporarily removed on Friday, February 26, 2021. All students' images will appear as an icon showing the first letter of their name. In the coming weeks, all staff and students will engage in learning in support of our collective responsibility to dismantle hate and racism online. After the learning is completed, your child will regain access to uploading profile images to their YRDSB Google account.