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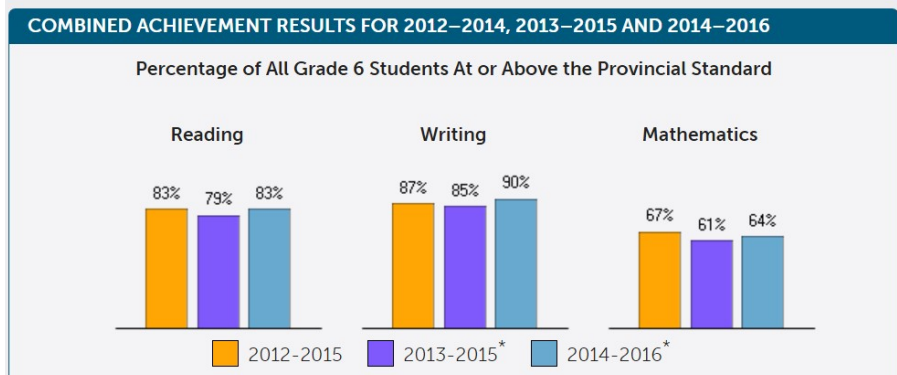
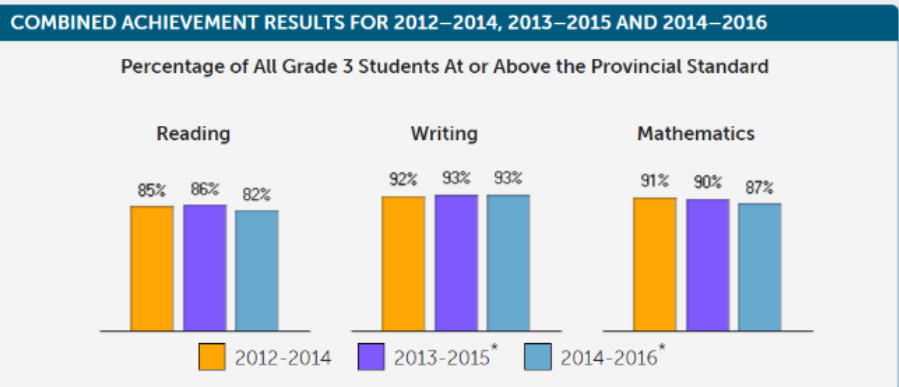
We want to thank all our Glenn Gould P. S P.S. families who came out to our Curriculum Night. This is just the beginning. We will be offering a number of parent events this school year. We encourage all our parents to come out to all our school events.

Though school has just gotten underway, we are already off to a wonderful start, starting with a successful Safety Week initiative, and raising money for cancer research with our annual Terry Fox School Run. October looks to be busy as well, with our Halloween Dance-a-Thon on hosted by It's Pure Entertainment, Character Assemblies, and field trips.

EQAO:

A few weeks ago, the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) released a School Report for 2015-2016 for each elementary school across the province on their web-site at www.eqao.com. We use data

from these reports to discuss results from the assessment, alongside other classroom assessment data, in an effort to move our improvement planning agenda forward on behalf of all students. Ultimately, our goal is to look for sustained growth in achievement over time, aligning our school efforts with the York Region District's School Board's Improvement Plan focusing on Math, Modern Learning and Mental Health. We would encourage those interested to view the detailed School Report available online at the EQAO website. Please note that EQAO assessment data provide one source of data, alongside many that are used to support our improvement efforts. As always, we thank our teachers, staff, parents and community for being our trusted partners in promoting a shared commitment to the best teaching and learning we can provide for our students.



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School Council 2016-2017

We believe that collaborative and inclusive partnerships among schools, families and our communities, are essential to improving student learning and increasing a shared sense of accountability for public education. School Councils play an important role in building school, family and community partnerships by providing input into relevant Board and school-level decisions and by encouraging the involvement of all members of the school community in support of student learning.

The Glenn Gould PS School Council met on Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. At this meeting council elected the following parents to our 2016-2017 School Council:

School Council Co-Chairs: Aisha Hasan & Andrea Vieira

Treasurer: Lydiah Ingalla

Secretary: Susy Moreira

Fundraising Lead: Trisha Sankarsingh & Aisha Hasan

We are excited about the upcoming year. We welcome you all to our next School Council Meeting on

Thursday, December 1st at 7:00 p.m.

Parent Communication

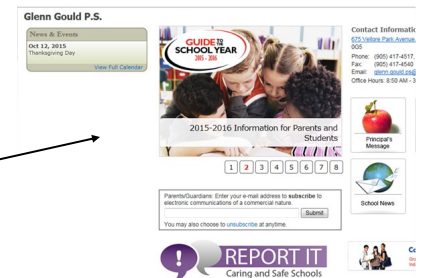
At Glenn Gould we are always working on improving our communication with parents, students and the community while at the same time being environmentally conscious.

We will be sending one print copy of this newsletter home to every family in the school. We will send it with the youngest member of the family. This newsletter will be available on our website in case you misplace your copy.

We are also working on building our database of parent email addresses so that we can use email as a quick and paperless way of sharing general school information.

Please do the following:

1. CASL sign up
2. update your email address by emailing our school at glenn.gould.ps@yrdsb.ca



Halloween Celebrations

Each year, our students celebrate the long-standing tradition of Halloween by dressing up in costumes that meet our school's dress code.

At this time, it is important to remember that the York Region District School Board's Safe Schools Policy #668.0 in accordance with the Ontario *Safe Schools Act*, includes the following mandatory expulsion criteria:

A student shall be expelled from school if the student commits one or more of the following infractions while at school or engaged in a school-related activity (as set out in the Ontario Code of Conduct):

(a) possessing a weapon or replica weapon, including a firearm.

Students celebrating this occasion in costume at our school must comply with the above policy. Costume accessories including, but not limited to, **toy guns, knives, axes, swords**, etc. are not in compliance with York Region District School Board's Safe Schools Policy #668.0.



Parents and guardians of all students are asked to look out for more detailed information from their child's teacher about expectations for that day.

The school's Halloween Dance happening during the day is on Monday, October 31st. More information to follow.

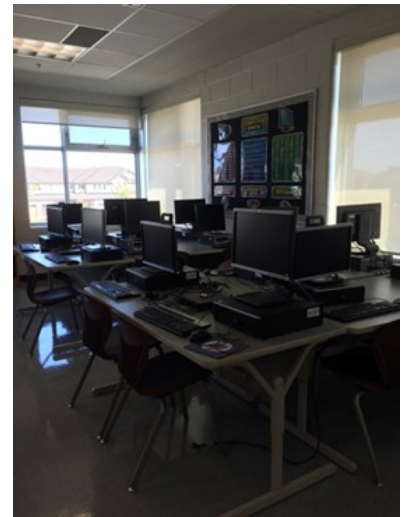
Ms. Campanaro's Gr. 7 Students have a Blog!

Ms. Campanaro is happy to announce that her blog is live! Parents and students in the intermediate division can use this tool to track homework, daily schedules, upcoming school wide events, and discover and showcase new learning.

Please follow at mscampanaro.blogspot.ca

News from Our Learning Commons

September was a busy month full of orientations, and preparing our Library Learning Commons for the school year. This year, our school library will begin transitioning towards becoming a Library Learning Commons. What this means is that our learning commons will continue to support students with reading materials, and a place to borrow, exchange and read books, however, the Learning Commons will also become a space where students will be able to come and interact with information in additional ways, other than only with traditional print materials. Students will be challenged to inquire and create with their new knowledge.



With that change comes exciting new resources, and activities. We have a new independent levelled library of texts to support our grades 1-3 "Borrow-a-Book" program. This will allow our primary students to select an appropriately levelled text to practice their independent reading at home. Additional desktop computers have been purchased, and a technology corner has been created with 14 terminals in our learning lab. Classes of students can collectively use the space to access online databases and various sources of quality information. Finally, many new texts have been added to enhance our collection in a variety of areas and genres. We are looking forward to providing students with all the support they require for success in their learning this school year!



Important Dates

October		October con't	
5	Bus Safety	13	Picture Day
7	Terry Fox Run/Walk	28	PA Day - No School
10	Thanksgiving - No School	31	Halloween Dance

Life in Full Day Kindergarten



Can you guess this letter? We have been working hard to co-construct our alphabet wall. It is still a work in progress but great things take time!



Looking for a fun game to play? Come and ask some of our kinders how to play 'Race to Fill the Cup'. This will help to quickly sharpen up your counting skills.



The Kindergarten students have been exploring their new environment, learn new routines and working hard to problem solve and build together.



We have been learning to take turns, share toys, work in a small group, and use the material appropriately.



Parking Lot, Bus Loop and Street Safety

Like you, we plan on your child arriving to and from school safely. For this purpose, the Board has provided the school with two separate driveways. **On the South side of the school, is a “Kiss’N Ride” loop for parents.** The parking spaces in the “Kiss’N Ride” loop are for school staff only. **On the East side of the school, is a “Bus Loop” for school buses and taxis.** Parents are asked not to use this loop for student pick-up, drop-off or for parking. Do not park your vehicle at the front of the school at any time. There is plenty of parking on many of the side streets for up to 3 hours. Feel free to park and walk your child over to our school.

Some students are not eligible for bussing while others are, as they live within the Board mandated walking distances. **We strongly encourage you to walk your child to and from school.**

Kiss N’ Ride and Bus Loop

The **“Kiss’N Ride”** loop is identified by signs and designated for parents and family members picking-up or dropping-off children. Please do not drop off students on Vellore Park Ave or Highmark Dr., as it is not safe for students to walk through a Kiss N’ Ride or Bus Loop.

We are requesting parents who are choosing to drop off their children in the morning to abide by the following rules:

1. Arrive to school between 8:50 and 9:00 a.m..
2. Drive all the way through the loop and only drop off your children in the Drop-Off zone. Follow the map provided)
3. Pull all the way up into the drop off zone—8 - 10 cars can drop off at the same time.
4. Students should have their bags ready on their laps.
5. To ensure a quick and safe drop-off or pickup, **parents are not to get out of the vehicle.**
6. Students are to exit from the passenger side of the vehicle ONLY.
7. Students should never walk through the parking lot or bus loop.
8. **End of day Pick-Up: You will have to circle the loop, exit onto Highmark and re-enter the loop if your child is not ready for pick-up at the end of the day.**
9. Park your car on the street if you have younger children who need assistance (in order to reduce congestion in the drop off zone).
10. Use your signal to merge when exiting the drop off zone.
11. Abide with instructions given by Glenn Gould staff monitoring the parking lot.

We need your cooperation to ensure the safety of all students, parents and staff.



Eco Corner

The Eco Team has started planning for the 2016-2017 year. We are thrilled to have returning students as well as many new faces joining our team this year. Last year we achieved GOLD certification and as a team we will be striving for nothing less for this upcoming year.

Our first school initiative will be on Wednesday, October 26th for "Take Me Outside Day". Students are challenged to spend 1 hour outside enjoying nature instead of being plugged into technology.

Walking to school is a great way to get outside. Glenn Gould is bringing back the "Walk to School Challenge". Starting Monday, October 24th to Friday, October 28th, please walk to school with your child. Teachers will be collecting data on who walks to or from school and the class with the most walkers will win a prize.



A Sneak Peak into Mrs. Awal's Class

What a fantastic first month of school we have had! This was a month of change and new beginnings; new classroom, new friends, new experiences, new skills and new challenges. We all learned a lot about each other and worked together to establish classroom routines and set our goals.



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Information Night for Students and Parents

Are you interested in attending Bill Crothers Secondary School for the school year 2017 - 2018?

Bill Crothers Secondary School is a unique, system-wide program that provides an inclusive and engaging learning environment for students who are motivated by healthy active living and sport while achieving academic success. This school operates on a Balanced School Year (early August to mid-June) schedule which supports the diverse needs of student-athletes. Specialized programming is offered to support our students through our diverse and daily Health and Physical Education and High Performance Athlete Program with contextualized learning in a variety of subject courses. During the school day, we offer an Integrated Learning Instructional Period (ILIP) which provides supervised time for students to achieve their academic goals.

Information Night at: Bill Crothers Secondary School, 44 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario.

Tuesday October 18th, 2016 – Students in the West & North of the Region

Wednesday October 19th, 2016 – Students in the East Region

Thursday October 20th, 2016 – Students in the Central Region

Information sessions will be from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the school cafeteria.

If you have a conflict with your designated evening, you are welcome to attend an alternate evening. The above suggestions are made to assist with seating for each evening's presentation. Thank you.

Admission to Bill Crothers Secondary School is by application and is open to students who reside in York Region entering grades 9, 10, 11, or 12. Students must declare the sport in which they compete at the highest level outside of school and will not be able to compete in this sport for BCSS in the YRAA (York Region Athletic Association) or OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association) league. Alternative competitive options are being explored. Secondly, students who transfer in for grade 10, 11 and 12 are subject to YRAA and OFSAA transfer rules. Please refer to the <http://www.yraa.com>

Due to limited space and building capacity regulations, we ask that **only families with students interested in attending BCSS for the school year 2017 - 2018** attend one of these evenings. Parking is limited so we ask that you carpool or park at the GO Station. **By-law officers will enforce the parking regulations.**

Applications will be available from the website on Friday October 21, 2016.

For further information, contact shirley.difebo@yrdsb.ca

*To develop the love of sport through learning and the
love of learning through sport.*



**This is an important document.
Please take it to someone who can explain it to you.**

Arabic:	هذه وثيقة مهمة. يرجى منك أخذها لشخص يستطيع شرحها لك.
Chinese:	这是一份重要文件。 请您将它拿给可以向您解释此文件的人。
Farsi:	این مدرک مهم است. لطفاً آنرا نزد شخصی که بتواند در مورد آن به شما توضیح دهد ببرید.
Gujarati:	આ એક અગત્યનું દસ્તાવેજ છે. મહેરબાની કરી તે કોઇ પાસે લઇ જાઓ જે આપને સમજાવી શકે.
Hebrew:	מסמך זה חשוב מאד. אנא קח אותו למישהו שיוכל להסביר לכם אותו.
Hindi:	यह एक महत्वपूर्ण दस्तावेज़ है. कृपया इसे किसी ऐसे व्यक्ति को दिखाएँ जो इसे आपको समझा सके .
Khmer:	នេះគឺជាឯកសារដ៏សំខាន់មួយ។ សូមយកវាទៅអ្នកណាម្នាក់ដែលអាចជួយពន្យល់វាឱ្យលោកអ្នក។
Korean:	이것은 중요한 문서입니다. 내용을 설명해줄 수 있는 분에게 보여드리십시오.
Punjabi:	ਇਹ ਇੱਕ ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਹੈ . ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਸਨੂੰ ਕਿਸੀ ਅਜਿਹੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਕੋਲ ਲੇ ਜਾਓ ਜੋ ਇਸਨੂੰ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਸਮਝਾ ਸਕੇ.
Romanian:	Acest document este foarte important. Apelati la cineva care va poate ajuta sa-l intelegeti.
Russian:	Это важный документ. Пожалуйста, обратитесь к кому-либо, кто сумеет Вам его разъяснить.
Spanish:	Este es un documento importante. Lléveselo a alguien que pueda explicárselo.
Tamil:	இது ஒரு முக்கிய ஆவணம். தயவுசெய்து இதனை உங்களுக்கு விளங்கப்படுத்தக்கூடிய யாராவது ஒருவரிடம் எடுத்துச் சொல்க.
Urdu:	یہ ایک اہم دستاویز ہے۔ براہ مہربانی اسے اس فرد کے پاس لے جائیں جو آپ کیلئے اس کی وضاحت کر سکے۔
Vietnamese:	Tài liệu này quan trọng. Xin đưa tài liệu này cho người nào có thể giải thích nội dung cho quý vị rõ.