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GLYNN A GREEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Monthly Updates

OCTOBER 2023

Welcome Back!!

September ended with a number of special days. We held our Terry Fox event on September 22, 2023. Rowan's Law day helped us raise concussion awareness and wearing orange on September 29th reminded us about the important contributions of Indigenous peoples on the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. Our Open House was on September 20 from 4-6 pm. Students participated in Cross Country and Junior and Intermediate Co-ed Soccer. October looks to be another month full of learning and special activities. Picture Day is on October 5th. Intermediate Volleyball will be starting up early in the month.



Teachers and students will be working hard on setting goals and completing work as they prepare for the Progress Reports which will be going home on Nov 16th.

Please check out the rest of the newsletter and weekly communication for other important updates and information.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

At our first School Council meeting Mrs. Bartlett was re-elected as chair, Mrs. Fulton as treasurer and Mrs. Giannakis as Secretary.

A Fundraising Committee meeting is scheduled for October 5th 2023, at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in assisting with fundraising or learning more about our fundraising goals, you are welcome to attend the meeting.

Our next School Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28th, 2023, at 6:30 pm. An agenda will come out closer to the date.

Feel free to contact the School Council Chair or the office with questions.

Jodie Bartlett
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SEPTEMBER AWARD WINNERS

Mrs. Chrastina & Mrs. Belvedere — Abby R, Ethan P, Sage H

Mrs. Teather & Mrs. Rossi — Liam M, Ari G, Sloan W

Mrs. Erickson & Mrs. Ethier – Chase P, Lilly B, Frankie N

Mrs. Kurland - Isla B, Jack P

Ms. Fulford - Logan W, Cooper R, Quinton C

Mrs. Fairchild – Isaac S, Hudson B

Mr. Piva — D.J. C, Griffin C

Miss. Alles — Farrah S, Iden A

Mrs. Fillion — Max X, Alyssa V

Mr. Hiller — Mayra D, Malachi D

Ms. Coote — Braeden P, Elin F, Jaylynn R, Rose BR (French)

Mrs. VanderWerf — Sonia A, Walker R, Jonah D (French)

Miss. Gill — Norah H, Marlowe S, Chase N, Charli (French)

Miss Gamm — Hunter B, Quinn J, Hadley C (French)

Mrs. Pessoa — Brenden M & Jayda S (Caring), Brenden (French)

Mr. Last - Arial H, Leo B, Olivia Y, Tahbeer (French)

Mr. Campbell — Isla F, Lexi S, Hayden H, Ryenn M (French)

Mrs. Hyatt — Eliza G, Nathan F, Nate (French)

Mrs. Furtney — Adam A, Dima B, Myles V (French)





Orange Shirt Day

On Friday, September 29th, students, and staff across the DSBN will wear Orange to recognize the harm that the Residential School System had on First Nations, Métis, and Inuit children and to recognize that, "Every Child Matters." Teachers provided activities to support the learning of all students in the work towards grade-appropriate acts of truth and reconciliation



Scholastic Book Fair

THANK YOU to all of the families who participated in the Book Fair! We sold over \$6000 worth of books and raised \$1500 for Glynn A Green! Keep reading Gators!



A huge congratulations goes out to all the Cross Country runners who completed their first and second runs at Memorial Park. GAG had many runners that finished in the top 10, with a few notable runners that placed first or second. Wow! The final race will take place at Fireman's Park on Oct 10th. The following students are moving on to Fireman's Park: Kat McG, Callen E, ICharlotte BR, sla F, Sydney S, Alyssia I, Alyssa F, Maddy B, Callum M, Masie M, Averly E, Lily L, Parker S and Walker R.

Keep training and working hard, you should all be very proud of yourselves!

Junior Co-Ed Soccer



The Junior Co-Ed Soccer team competed in the annual tournament at E.L. Crossley earlier this month. The team played well together, diligently passing the ball, playing stingy defense, and setting up some great goals. They went undefeated in Round Robin play by defeating Princess Elizabeth, Plymouth, Gordon, and Fitch Street. The team then went on to play Wellington Heights for the championship. Despite getting an early lead, the game went into half-time tied. Our Gators continued to play well, but did end up falling a bit short by the time the final whistle was blown.

Congratulations to the following students for having a fun and memorable day and being a part of the team.

Rose B-R, Colby C, Averly E, Aubrey H, Avery H, Brynn H, Adam K, Jaeyong K, Nik R, Hudson R, Walker R, Charlie R, Jayda S, Charli T, Garret V





Photo Day

We are please to announce that our picture day has been scheduled early this year. Photographers have been vetted and approved by the District School Board of Niagara. Photographs will be taken in the gymnasium. Students will receive a class composite photograph as well.

Our Picture Day is schedule for October 5, 2023.

Retake Day is November 14, 2023.

Information about the process and packages was sent to families and is available on line. All students will have photographs taken but the purchase of photo packages is completely optional.

Sign up for notifications at edgeimaging.ca/photo-day to get real-time updates about your photo day and stay in the know with Edge.

HALLOWEEN/FALL ACTIVITIES

This year, for Halloween, students are able to dress in costumes to wear to school as long as they meet the following criteria:

- Students can dress in costumes independently (or come to school in costume)
- Students can use the washroom independently
- Students must be able to remove masks
- Costumes are appropriate for the school setting
- Toy and Costume Weapons remain at home
- The costume does not interfere with the students ability to participate in learning.

Weather permitting, we are planning outdoor costume parade (K-8), classes will observe and participate in a parade on our field. Teachers will plan activities for their classrooms. Students may bring in some treats but as always avoid products that contain or may contain nuts or nut products. Some classes have additional allergies and homeroom teachers will send out additional reminders as the date approaches.

For families that do not participate in Halloween or will not be wearing a costume we recommend an Orange and Black Spirit Day. We will also have fall activities available.



Smoke-Free Ontario Act

The Smoke-Free Ontario Act prohibits smoking in the school or anywhere on school grounds within 20 meters of these grounds. Smoking, vaping or holding a lit cigarette anywhere on school property is against the law. This includes sitting in a vehicle while on school property. For persons 16 years of age and over, there is a fine for anyone violating this law.



This Law Applies to...

...EVERYONE

...ANYTIME

...ANYWHERE

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

It applies to staff, students, parents and visitors Including the school parking lot, cars in parking lot, sports fields and driveway.

The Smoke-Free Ontario Act also prohibits smoking or using an electronic cigarette when a person under 16 is also in the motor vehicle.

For local information please contact the Niagara Region Tobacco Hotline at 1-888-505-8074 ext 7393

TERRY FOX EVENT

Congratulations Glynn A. Green! Our Terry Fox donations online continue to climb! Thanks to our incredible community support, our school has currently raised \$4770.75! This total included our purchased T-Shirts, TerryFox.org personal student and Glynn A. Green online pages and cash. Our goal was to raise \$4000! The Intermediate Terry Team Volunteers proposed the Ice Bucket Challenge for meeting our goal. Get ready for a cold soaker!! Our Terry Team takes on the cold buckets on Thursday, October 5 in our school backyard. Thank you again for supporting cancer research!



Spirit Wear

www.regattasport.com



Welcome to the *Glynn A. Green Public School* iTeams page! Please be advised of the closing date, as orders will not be accepted after the iTeams page has closed. Please note that we require a minimum of 8 units per item. Should any product in your cart not reach the minimum, that item will be removed from your cart prior to processing your order. If you have any questions, contact Gregg at gregg@regattasport.com

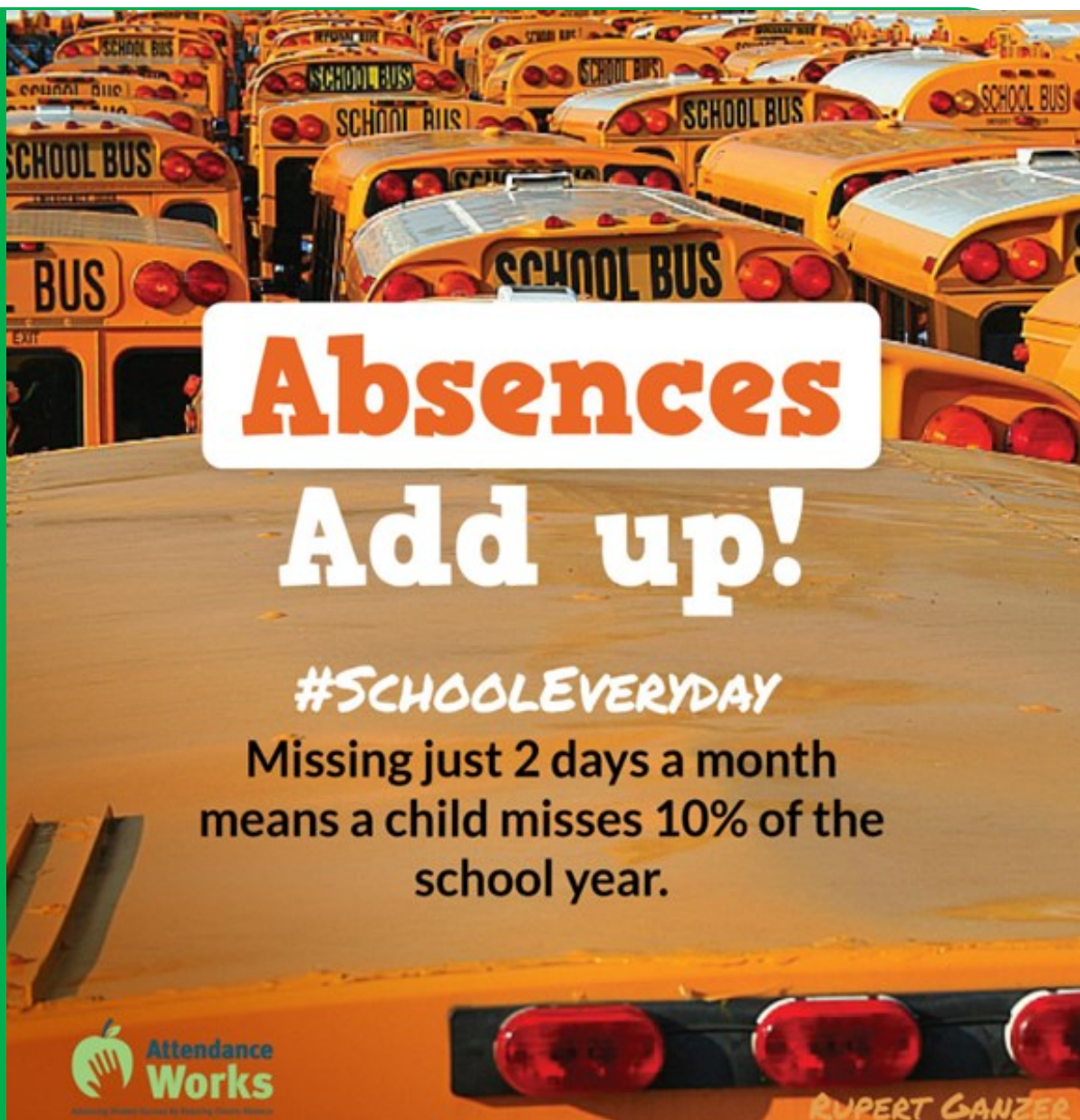
Thank you for your order!



iTeams Order Instructions

1. www.regattasport.com
2. Click 'iTEAMS' link in the header & "Home" in the subheader.
3. Click "Register" then proceed to create your personal account.
4. Click the "iTeams" header & "Home" link again.
5. Select *Glynn A. Green Public School* from the drop box.
6. Password: **GlynnAGreen23**
7. Place order!

**The site will automatically close on October 30th.
All orders must be placed by this time**



Absences Add up!

#SCHOOLEVERYDAY

Missing just 2 days a month
means a child misses 10% of the
school year.



RUPERT GANZER

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark these dates on your
calendar and plan accordingly.

PD Day—October 6, 2023

Thanksgiving Holiday

October 9, 2023

PD Day— November 24, 2023

Winter Break

December 23, 2023

-January 7, 2024

March Break

March 9– 17, 2023

Niagara Region Public Health School Health Newsletter

October 2023

WALKTOBER

As the rush of the new school year starts to settle down, consider walking, biking or rolling with your child to school.

Join families across Niagara and the world in celebrating October's [International Walk to School Month](#) (Walktober). Kids who walk or bike to school arrive alert and ready to learn. If you live too far away to walk or wheel to school, try driving to a location near your school and walk the rest of the way. Using active transportation helps reduce congestion at your school.

This Walktober, enjoy **#ActiveSchoolTravel** and leave the car at home more often **@NiagaraParents** **@OntarioAST** **@NiagaraSTS**



Don't Be Scared by Cavities this Halloween!

Keep your child's smile BOO-tiful this Halloween!

Here are some tips to help keep teeth healthy:

- Brush teeth twice a day for two minutes using fluoridated toothpaste
- Floss once a day
- Stay away from sticky, starchy and hard candy
- Limit sugary drinks. Drink water after eating tasty treats to rinse away sugar that may be stuck on your teeth.

Book a FREE dental appointment at Public Health's dental clinics by calling 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7399 or [live chat with us](#).

To learn more on how to keep your family's teeth healthy, visit www.niagararegion.ca/dental.



Mental Illness Awareness Week 2023 #MIAW

This year, [Mental Illness Awareness Week](#) is from October 1-7. [Mental Illness Awareness Week](#) is an annual national public education campaign designed to help open the eyes of Canadians to the reality of mental illness.

Annual Memorial Forest Vigil:

The [Memorial Forest](#) seeks to reduce the stigma around mental illness and promote a greater understanding and compassion from the community as a whole. Each year, a Memorial Forest Vigil is held during Mental Illness Awareness Week to provide an opportunity to share stories of hope and success as told by individuals and family members living with mental illness.

Mental Illness and Stigma:

Stigma is when someone views you in a negative way because you have a distinctive characteristic or personal trait that is thought to be a disadvantage (a negative stereotype). Stigma can occur from a lack of understanding of mental illness. This stigma can lead to discrimination, and it may be direct or unintentional.

Some of the harmful effects of stigma can include:

- Hesitancy to get help or treatment
- Lack of understanding by family, friends or others
- Fewer opportunities for work, school or social activities
- Bullying, physical violence or harassment

The belief that you'll never succeed at certain challenges or that you can't improve your situation

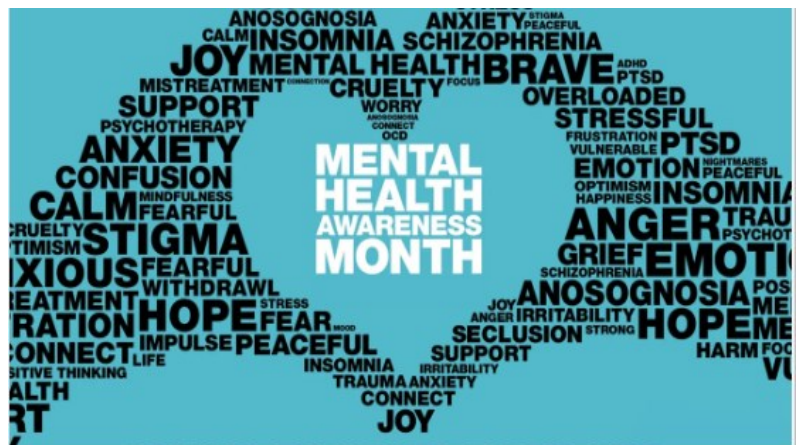
You can help reduce stigma by educating yourself, being aware of your attitudes and behaviours and choosing your words carefully when you talk about mental illness and substance use disorders.

Helpful Resources:

Addressing Stigma

Canadian Mental Health Association: Stigma and Discrimination

Words Matter (CAMH)



Help Keep the Classroom Germ Free – Stay Home When Sick

Fall brings the ‘unofficial’ start of respiratory illness season. This means that viruses that affect our respiratory system (for example our lungs and throat) begin to spread more often.

Help keep the classroom germ free by keeping your child home if they are sick. If your child is sick, they should stay home from school until:

- They have no fever, without the use of fever reducing medication **and**
- Their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours or 48 hours if they have nausea, vomiting and / or diarrhea **and**
- They don’t develop any new symptoms



Like every year, different respiratory viruses can be spreading in our community at the same time. These viruses can have similar symptoms. This means it can be hard to tell what you are infected with based on just symptoms alone.

By keeping your child home when sick, you help prevent them from spreading whatever infection they have to others.

Asthma Friendly Schools

Back to school and the fall weather play a big part in an increase in asthma hospitalizations and every year. For support in creating asthma friendly environments, check-out [Ophea's free asthma resources](#), including the e-Learning module available for all school staff: [Implementing Ryan's Law and PPM 161: Ensuring Asthma Friendly Schools](#).