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# GLYNN A. GREEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back. We hope that everyone had a restful summer and is ready to get back to school. Glynn A. Green School continues to grow. This year, we are starting with 433 students. Our class organization can be seen on page 5. Please join us in welcoming a number of new staff this year. Please be aware that class placements are considered temporary until we review our organization and staffing the first few weeks of September.

**A reminder that supervision begins each morning at 8:45. We ask that families don't arrive before this, as parking is an issue and we need staff to find parking, as they arrive.**

**As part of our safe school policy we ask families to release and pick up their child(ren) at the gates.**



Our Portable Arrives

A reminder that families can use the far end of the bus lane as a kiss and ride for drop-off and pickup.

We ask that families that walk, to and from school, avoid bring their pets on property. This can cause anxiety for some members of our community.

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

## MEDICALLY AT-RISK STUDENTS

If you have a child with a **Prevalent Medical Condition** (Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Diabetes, and/or Epilepsy or others) we want to make sure we have a current Plan of Care to support your child. All parents of children with prevalent medical conditions are asked to fill out the new Plan of Care and submit to the school. Forms were sent home with students who had a plan of care last year. You can also download the forms at:

[dsbn.org/prevalent-medical-conditions](http://dsbn.org/prevalent-medical-conditions)

We have students who have a severe allergy to nuts and nut products, oils, etc. We request nut-free lunches and snacks to be brought by students and ask that we all exclude these types of products from being brought to school. **Please avoid sending products to school that say, "may contain nuts" as well.**

Although, we **cannot guarantee a peanut free environment**, we appreciate your continued efforts with this delicate issue.

For more information, please contact the school.

## SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

School Cash Online enables you to use your debit or credit card to make quick and easy payments. We also use School Cash Online to obtain permission for school events. To access the system, click on the "School Cash Online" button on our school website. We encourage all of our new families to register and create accounts. Forms can also be requested through the office.



<https://www.dsnb.org/schoolcash/>

PLEASE NOTE: Many of the forms in the usual Welcome Back to School package can be completed through School Cash Online this year.

## IMPORTANT SCHOOL FORMS

There may be some forms that your children will bring home. Please complete and return these forms as soon as possible. It is very important that we have up-to-date medical and personal information each year, as well as, an emergency contact number in case we cannot reach you at home or work.

This contact person should be someone who is usually available and lives in relatively close to the school. Please let us know if this information changes during the school year.

## LEGAL DOCUMENTS

When couples separate or divorce, parents generally share custody of the children. Sometimes, however, other arrangements are made and set out in a court order.

The school cannot enforce these alternate arrangements unless we have a copy of the court order on file in your child's confidential Ontario School Record.

Should you have such a court order that we should be aware of, please speak to the principal and share the most current copy with the school office.

## YEARBOOKS

The original run of yearbooks sold out quickly. We have ordered a second printing of yearbooks to meet the extra orders and still have a few leftover. The price remains the same \$12. If you would like to purchase a yearbook, you can email [Mr. Halliday](mailto:Mr.Halliday) directly or contact the office.





## ABSENCES, LATES, SIGN-IN & SIGN-OUT...

Your child's safety and whereabouts are very important to us, because of this, it is essential for us to know when your child is absent from school. Please use the Safe Arrival system to report your child's absence. Information about the system and links to the apps can be found at:

<https://www.dsb.org/earlylearners/safe-arrival-program>

**If you used the Safe Arrival App last year. Please log out and sign-in again to ensure that it updates appropriately.**

We know that there are some mornings that despite best efforts being made students occasionally arrive late. In the past parents would walk students into the office to get an admit class slip. To ensure the health and safety of students, staff and parents, students who arrive late will buzz the office and wait for an admin assistant to let the student into the building. Parents/guardians will not be permitted to enter the building with the student(s). Please be aware that entry may take some time depending on the number of students who require entry. We appreciate your patience as we work through this new process.

Students who may need to leave the school during school hours must be signed out by a parent or guardian. Parents are asked to please buzz the office and wait as we collect your child and greet you at the door to complete the sign-out process. Notifying the school in advance of the pick-up will help us prepare for your child's sign-out.

If there is a change in your child's normal dismissal procedure (i.e., "not taking the bus today" etc. ) please message your child's teacher or contact the office in advance. The office can be very busy at dismissal time and we would not want to miss notifying your child of any changes to their routines.

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Each year a Student Accident Insurance Plan is made available for all students on a voluntary basis. The plan provides protection for dental damage due to accidents, fracture benefits and other important coverages, which are NOT covered under the Provincial Health Plan.

Some parents may have Dental Plan coverage through their work but many of these plans are limited in one way or another, while this accident coverage is not. You should compare to make sure you have the coverage you need or desire. Under the Education Act, the Board is not permitted to provide coverage for accidents to pupils, therefore, the Board recommends consideration of this plan to any parent who wishes to obtain this kind of insurance. Although the policy has all the advantages of a group plan, it is essentially a direct contract between the parent and the insurance company.

This year we will not be sending home forms but details of these plans are described online at [www.insuremykids.com](http://www.insuremykids.com). If you require further information, you may contact **InsureMyKids at Box 557, Hamilton, L8N 3K9** or call toll free at **1-800-463-5437**.

If you wish to subscribe to this insurance, please enroll online immediately, but preferably before the end of September.

# SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

The Ministry has approved the School year Calendar for 2022-2023. The Elementary and Secondary calendars can be found at:

<https://www.dsb.org/calendars>.

The holidays and PD days are all noted to assist families in their planning.



## BUSSING

Please visit [www.nsts.ca](http://www.nsts.ca) and sign-in to the secure parent portal to get your child's student transportation information. **To sign-in to the portal you will need your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN) which can be found on their report card.** While signed-in, please subscribe to the delay and cancellation module for direct and timely emails regarding student transportation that impacts your child's bus route.

Changes to home, pick-up or drop-off addresses must be made through your child's school. NSTS is not authorized to change student address information.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

As a school council member, you can help your council discover new and exciting ways to contribute to the education of students in your school. Education is a partnership involving parents, students, teachers, principals, school boards, government, and the community. Your involvement in the council gives you the opportunity to strengthen that partnership, and to be part of a dedicated team working to ensure a high quality of education and an accountable education system for the children of Ontario. Your participation can make a difference!

At our first meeting, we will look for members to take on executive rolls ( Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer) as well as individuals looking to take on voting member rolls.

Our September School Council Meeting on **September 27, 2022**. An agenda and details about the format will come out as the date approaches.

Feel free to contact the School Council co-chairs or the office with questions.

Heather Stortz

Jodie Bartlett



## CLASS ORGANIZATION 2022-2023

As we prepared for the start of the 2022 school year, we considered a variety of student needs as we organized classes and placed teachers.

The following is the current organization for the 2022-2023 school year.

We will be reviewing enrolment and staffing numbers the first week of school. Changes in either may result in reorganization.

### Bell Times

This year our start and end times will remain unchanged. We are returning to our 6 period day with two forty minute breaks. Classes will have breaks at the same time.

9:00 am	Entrance
9:00 - 9:50 am	Period 1
9:50 -10:40 am	Period 2
10:40- 11:20 am	Break 1
11:20– 12:10 pm	Period 3
12:10-1:00 pm	Period 4
1:00 1:40 pm	Break 2
1:40-2:30 pm	Period 5
2:30– 3:20 pm	Period 6
3:20 pm	Dismissal

Please be aware that are placements are considered temporary until we will review our organization and staffing the first few weeks of September.

Kindergarten	Mrs. B. Chrastina
Kindergarten	Mrs. M. Belvedere
Kindergarten	Mrs. M. Teather
Kindergarten	Mrs. G. Rossi
Kindergarten	Mrs. S. Erickson (Hall)
Kindergarten	Ms. M. Nagy
Kindergarten	Mrs. J. Ethier
Gr. 1	Mrs. L. Kurland
Gr. 1	Mrs. T. Fairchild
Gr. 2	Mrs. K. Downs
Gr. 2	Mr. S. Side
Gr. 2/3	Ms. E. Freeman
Gr. 3	Ms. K. Moore
Gr. 4	Ms. A. Fillion
Gr. 4	Mr. D. Mueller
Gr. 5	Ms. S. Gamm
Gr. 5/6	Mr. N. Piva
Gr. 6	Mrs. M. Furtney
Gr. 6/7	Ms. L. Arnold
Gr. 7	Mrs. J. Coote
Gr. 7/8	Mr. J. Campbell
Gr. 8	Mrs. R. Hyatt
French /Prep	Mr. B. Jones
French/Prep	Ms. G. Clavier
LRT	Ms. S. Yetman-Turner
Prep	Mr. B. Mako
Kindergarten/Prep	Mrs. A. Riley
Secretary	Mrs. K. Nelson
Secretary	Mrs. D. Lamb
EA	Mrs. W. Lachance
EA	Mrs. B. Pendlebury
EA	Mrs. L. McBurney
Custodian	Mr. R. Bujacz
Vice-Principal	Mrs. C. Garcia
Principal	Mr. T. Halliday

# RECOGNIZING AND RESPECTING DIVERSITY

The District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) is committed to fostering diverse, equitable, and inclusive learning and working environments that promote acceptance and protect individuals from discrimination and harassment based on the protected grounds under the Ontario *Human Rights Code*. Creed and/or religion is one of the grounds that is both an individual right and a collective responsibility. The DSBN recognizes and embraces the creed diversity represented in its students, staff, and community members.

In recognition of this commitment, we have now added “Creed Based Day” as an option to the School Messenger. Families reporting student absence(s) may select this option for religious and/or creed-based days, which does not generate an absence on their report card. If you do not see Creed Based Day as an option in School Messenger, please log out of the App and refresh the screen when the log back in.



For more information on Creed and accommodation requests based on Creed, please see The [Family Guide: Recognizing and Respecting Creed Diversity](#). This guide has also been translated into the following languages; Arabic, French, Hungarian, Korean, Mandarin, Spanish, Urdu and Vietnamese, which can be viewed on the [DSBN Equity webpage](#). For a list of Days of Significance, please refer to the [Days of Significance Calendar](#).

## CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Join the Glynn A Green Cross Country club!  
Sign up outside of Mrs. Furtney's room.

Our first run will take place on Friday morning at 8:15am. Meet Mrs. Furtney on the track to check in before you begin. Students in Grade 3 to Grade 8 can participate.

If attend training regular are prepared for their distance they will compete in two meets at Memorial Park in Welland on September 26th and October 3rd. Students who qualify for the district meet will compete at Fireman's Park, in Niagara Falls on October 13th.



# DSBN INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

**Affordable, Convenient Music Lessons! Back in person for 22-23!**

The NEIM staff is committed to bringing your child instrumental music lessons throughout the 2022/2023 school year!

Our music program runs from the **3rd week of September** until the **last week of May**. Each student will receive approximately 60 lessons (two per week): one group lesson during school hours and one after-school band/orchestra rehearsal.

- **In-school lessons:** held in the student's home school and can be scheduled anytime during the school day.
- **After-school rehearsals:** held at a centrally located school. Regular attendance is equally as important as attendance at the in-school lesson.

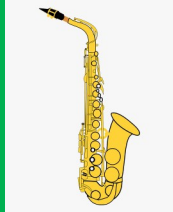
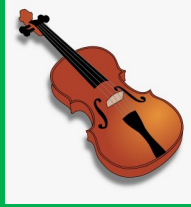
After-school band/orchestra rehearsals are an integral part of our program, drawing students together from a number of different home schools to learn, practice, and perform together. This experience is like no other music program!

More information can be found on their website.

<https://www.neimusic.com/>

**All beginning and returning students must complete and return the following registration form.**

[Registration Form Link](#)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan accordingly.

**Thanksgiving Holiday**

**October 10, 2022**

**PD Day**

**October 24, 2022**

**Winter Break**

**December 24 2022**

**-January 8, 2023**

**March Break**

**March 11– 19 2023**

The complete 2022-2023 Elementary School Calendar is available online: <https://www.dsb.org/calendars>

# September 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Labour Day 	6 Day 1 First day of Classes 	7 Day 2	8 Day 3	9 Day 4	10
11	12 Day 5	13 Day 6	14 Day 7	15 Day 8	16 Day 9	17
18	19 Day 10	20 Day 1	21 Day 2	22 Day 3	23 Day 4 THE TERRY RUN  Pizza Day Terry Fox Walk/Run	24
25	26 Day 5 Cross Country Meet	27 Day 6  School Council Mtg 6:30	28 Day 7	29 Day 8 Student of the Month Assembly 	30 Day 9  Orange Shirt Day Gr 7&8 Trip to Woodend	Picture Day October 6

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