Good Morning Glen Allan families,

We have an exciting week here at Glen Allan! The weather is fantastic which we are all thankful for!

**Virtual Christmas Concert**

As you know, with the restrictions in place for large school gatherings and social distancing, we are not permitted to have our extravagant Christmas Concert at the Park Church. We are excited to inform you that Mrs. Delainey has been preparing a virtual Christmas Concert for us to share with you!  This is a wonderful opportunity for students to share their excitement and hard work with their friends and family members as well as to showcase the how Mrs. Delainey has been providing an amazing music program during a challenging year! Each homeroom will be participating in a classroom-based performance to allow students to remain in their cohort groups.

On Friday, December 11, we will be visiting every classroom and recording each class cohort perform a song. **We would like to invite the students to dress festive for our recording on Friday**. The Kindergarten classes will be recorded next week on Tuesday, December 15 and Wednesday, December 16. The virtual Christmas Concert will be available for families to view from December 22, 2020 to January 15, 2021 on our website.

Some of you may have received a permission letter for your child to participate based on your indication that you do not consent for your child to be included in photos or videos for our website or social media (Twitter). If you received the letter, please ensure you indicate your preference for your child’s participation in the virtual Christmas Concert that will be posted on our website.

**Community Connections & Caring Hearts**

Over 2000 Canadian Armed Forces members are currently posted overseas and will not get to see their families for Christmas. This past week, many of our GLN students have written letters and made cards to send to the troops to bring them some holiday cheer.

We also have several classes writing letters and making cards for local seniors. They will be personalized for residents who are feeling the impact of isolation and living on their own. I am very proud of our students for spreading kindness to others!

**GASC Shout Outs**

GASC would like to send a shout out and a HUGE thank you to Tamara Chomay for all her hard work on the Art Cards.  Tamara has done a great job with this cherished Glen Allan project.  The Art Cards are so special and wonderful to see, especially this year. Thank you again Tamara, you are greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank Sheila Connolly for coordinating the Pink Shirt Day contest! The talent showcased in the contest was amazing! Congratulations to Ben S. in 5-2 and Spencer S. in 2-2 for having the winning designs which you can check out on our school website! Details on how to order the pink shirts will be out in the next few weeks.

**Student Absences**

Please remember to let the office know if your child will be away or needs to leave early for an appointment! We appreciate the heads up through the attendance post on our school website or a phone call. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us in the office!

Have a wonderful week.

Kind Regards,

Judy Anderson

Principal