Good Morning Glen Allan families,

We are in for a very cold week! I hope you all stay safe and avoid any troubles that can occur with these extreme temperatures. There are many things to look forward to over the next couple of weeks including parent teacher interviews this week! If you haven’t signed up for a time with your child’s teacher, please book your interview at: [https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/code?code=htqav](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/XUgyxrMccD1zc4gyPHEJlQ~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiAqhIP0QvaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuc2Nob29saW50ZXJ2aWV3cy5jYS9jb2RlP2NvZGU9aHRxYXZXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmAayHQhYOoTdt5SFWp1ZHkuYW5kZXJzb25AZWlwcy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~) using the event code: **htqav**. If you need assistance, please call the school office.

Our focus for February is **Choose Kind**. Choosing kindness is a choice each of us can make every day – for yourself and others. It is a simple gesture that can help us support one another during these stressful times. Many of our special days, announcements and activities will be centered around the **Choose Kind** theme. I will highlight some of these activities throughout February in my weekly Buzz.

On **February 19**, we are participating in **Have a Heart Day**. This is a day that brings together caring Canadians to help ensure First Nations children have the opportunity to grow up safely at home, get a good education, be healthy, and be proud of who they are. **Jeremy Albert, EIPS’ First Nation, Metis and Inuit Educational Advisor, will be meeting virtually with each class** to share his wisdom and deepen our understanding of Have a Heart Day. **We are also very excited to have Jeremy connect with our GLN families by joining our GASC meeting on April 15 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Important Dates:**

February 10/11          Parent Teacher Interviews

February 12               Wear pink or red for Valentine’s Day

February 15               No School - Family Day

February 17               100 Day, I Read Canadian Day (dress in Canadian attire or colours)

February 18               Glen Allan School Council Meeting 6:30 p.m. (virtual)

February 19               Have a Heart Day, Yearbook orders due

February 24               Pink Shirt Day – Lift Each Other Up (wear pink shirts)

February 22 – 26        Kindness Quilt – school wide collaborative math project

February 28               Returning Student Registration closes

February Ongoing   Kindergarten Registration

**School Fee Consultation Survey Results**

Thank you so much for taking the time to provide your input into planning for school fees next year! We had 24 parents complete the survey and we will use this information to guide our planning for the 2021-22 school year. Here is a summary of the feedback we received from you:

* 96% of responses indicated support for two or more curricular field trips (70% of those responses indicating support for three or more trips)
* 58% of responses indicated support for paying up to $25/field trip
* 63% of responses indicated preference to pay field trip fees as they occur throughout the school year
* 70% of responses classified the use of agendas as being extremely important in grades 1-3
* 81% of responses classified the use of agendas as being extremely important in grades 4-6
* 100% of responses indicated support to pay for an agenda for their child

We will share the proposed fee schedule for 2021-22 at our next virtual GASC meeting on February 18 at 6:30 p.m. Thank you again for sharing your thoughts with us and we are hopeful for a return to regular field trip opportunities next year!

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

Have a wonderful week!

Warm Regards,

Judy Anderson

Principal