**Good Morning Glen Allan families,**

**I hope you had a Happy Easter and enjoyed some family time together during Spring Break. We were excited to welcome students back to school this morning!**

**Earlier this morning, you would have received an email from EIPS indicating the 2021 EIPS Parent Survey is now available for you to provide your feedback. We would be very grateful if you took a few minutes to complete the survey as we are committed to continuous improvement. Here is the link:**

[**TAKE THE SURVEY NOW!**](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/tiHRTKZNqcR2F-EvsfCZKA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiTcijP0QmaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuc3VydmV5bW9ua2V5LmNvbS9yL04ySlNZUTNXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmBnI5VsYMvG26tSFWp1ZHkuYW5kZXJzb25AZWlwcy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)  
Survey closes April 20, 2021.

**Thank you to Glen Allan School Council**

Ms. Gauchier, along with our entire staff and students would like to thank GASC for their continued generosity in support of our library and learning commons. With the GASC funds, Ms. Gauchier was ale to add high interest books to our non-fiction collection based on input from our students. Additionally, we also purchased more soft seating for our library space. Please enjoy the THANK YOU video link below:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JVvvMSQJACi3PPRE\_l22CpfnHbryuing/view?usp=sharing](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/uzLtKy_RdCqeRprvY1JG6g~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiTcijP0RSaHR0cHM6Ly9kcml2ZS5nb29nbGUuY29tL2ZpbGUvZC8xSlZ2dk1TUUpBQ2kzUFBSRV9sMjJDcGZuSGJyeXVpbmcvdmlldz91c3A9c2hhcmluZ1cHc2Nob29sbUIKYGcjlWxgy8bbq1IVanVkeS5hbmRlcnNvbkBlaXBzLmNhWAQAAAAC)

**Warm Welcome to GLN**

We have some exciting news to share with you! **Over Spring Break Cheryl Devin, EIPS’ First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Consultant and Jeremy Albert EIPS’ First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Education Advisor moved into Glen Allan Elementary.** Although they support the entire Division, they have created a beautiful space here as their home base. We are excited to welcome them to our school family and know our staff and students will benefit from their expertise and wisdom.

This month, our students will have the opportunity to interact and explore the **giant floor map based on the Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada**. Inuit, Métis and First Nations people will have the opportunity to see themselves on the map of Canada, and our students will have the chance to learn how Indigenous Peoples gave shape and meaning to this land for thousands of years before European contact. Jeremy Albert will be spending time with each cohort as they explore the map! If you would like more information or are curious about the giant floor map, here is a link to a CBC news article and video:

[https://www.cbc.ca/news/indigenous/indigenous-peoples-atlas-giant-floor-map-1.4975447](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/8GXC86CVfxmqSv-7Q4u53w~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiTcijP0RVaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuY2JjLmNhL25ld3MvaW5kaWdlbm91cy9pbmRpZ2Vub3VzLXBlb3BsZXMtYXRsYXMtZ2lhbnQtZmxvb3ItbWFwLTEuNDk3NTQ0N1cHc2Nob29sbUIKYGcjlWxgy8bbq1IVanVkeS5hbmRlcnNvbkBlaXBzLmNhWAQAAAAC)

**Panda Points**

Grades 1 & 2 students are gearing up for a little friendly competition! Ms. Gauchier and Mrs. Vicic are excited to showcase another fun filled activity happening in our school community with a balloon filled unveiling of **Panda Points!**

The Panda Points competition for Grade 1 & 2 classes was the highlight before Spring Break. The students in these four classes were super excited for the balloon reveal that determined if they were on the green or white panda teams. The Panda Teams are like the Hogwarts Houses used in grades 3-6 where team members work together to generate points competing for a year-end prize. Points are gained by returning library books on time, demonstrating leadership around the school and on the playground, and for being an active citizen in our GLN community. A special thank you to Ms. Gauchier all her hard work and for making the library such a wonderful place. Please enjoy the points reveal video below:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QUiahMDtIbePVdb23ofqBPJU9kGXTQ3p/view?usp=sharing](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/iOTxwEwc_qj8VJRdr5w2rA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiTcijP0RSaHR0cHM6Ly9kcml2ZS5nb29nbGUuY29tL2ZpbGUvZC8xUVVpYWhNRHRJYmVQVmRiMjNvZnFCUEpVOWtHWFRRM3Avdmlldz91c3A9c2hhcmluZ1cHc2Nob29sbUIKYGcjlWxgy8bbq1IVanVkeS5hbmRlcnNvbkBlaXBzLmNhWAQAAAAC)

There has been a great deal of media attention on the release of the new Draft K-6 Curriculum. **EIPS had already made the decision that as a Division, we would not be participating in piloting the new curriculum for the 2021-22 school year.** There is currently a survey to have your say and provide feedback on the curriculum. Here is the link:

[https://www.alberta.ca/curriculum-have-your-say.aspx](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/aKQ46f803N45-Nh04yQlKw~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiTcijP0Q0aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuYWxiZXJ0YS5jYS9jdXJyaWN1bHVtLWhhdmUteW91ci1zYXkuYXNweFcHc2Nob29sbUIKYGcjlWxgy8bbq1IVanVkeS5hbmRlcnNvbkBlaXBzLmNhWAQAAAAC)

Don’t forget that tomorrow, **Wednesday, April 7 the students are dismissed an hour earlier at 2:08.**

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

Kind Regards,

Judy Anderson

Principal