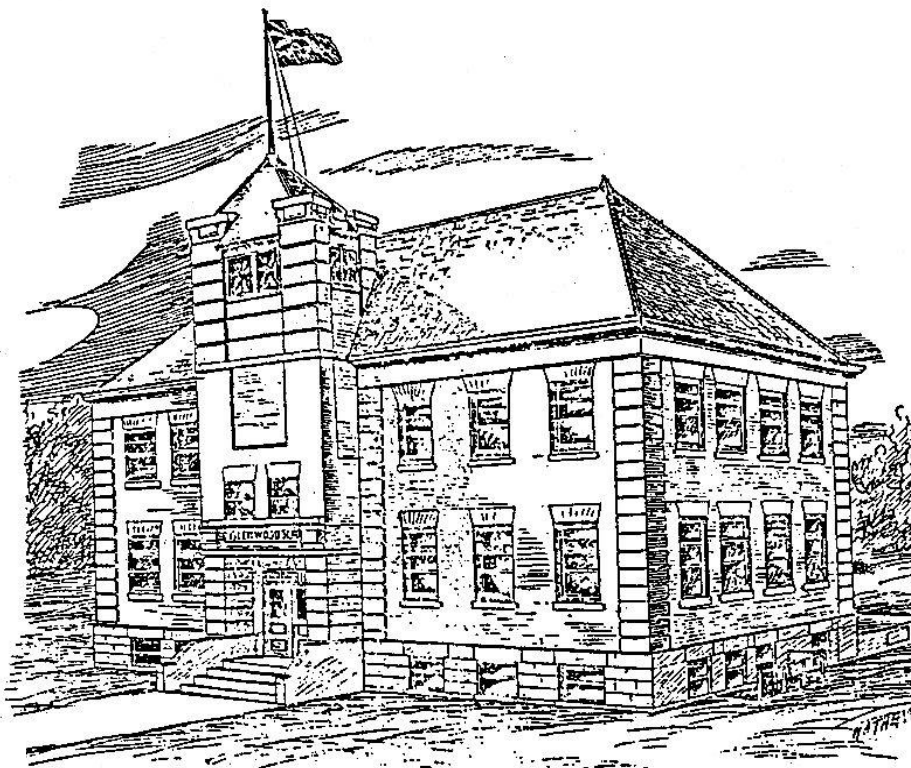


Glenwood School

NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message

The Glenwood School Plan is connected to and finds direction and inspiration from the Louis Riel School Division's Multi-Year Strategic Plan. The MYSP is informed by the Manitoba Government's K to 12 Education Action Plan, Manitoba's Indigenous Education Policy Framework – Mamàhtawisiwin: The Wonder We Are Born With and the International Science and Evidence based Education (ISEE) Assessment published in 2022. It is our hope that through careful planning and implementation we can improve our school, the efficacy of the staff, the education of the students and the wellbeing of our community.

The Glenwood School Plan areas of Focus for the 2023/2024 school year are:

- Literacy
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Anti-Racist education
 - Multi-Lingual Learners (English as an additional Language)
- Community Connections
- Wellness

To learn more about the [Glenwood School Plan](#), please follow this link. Updates and improvements to our planning will occur throughout the year.

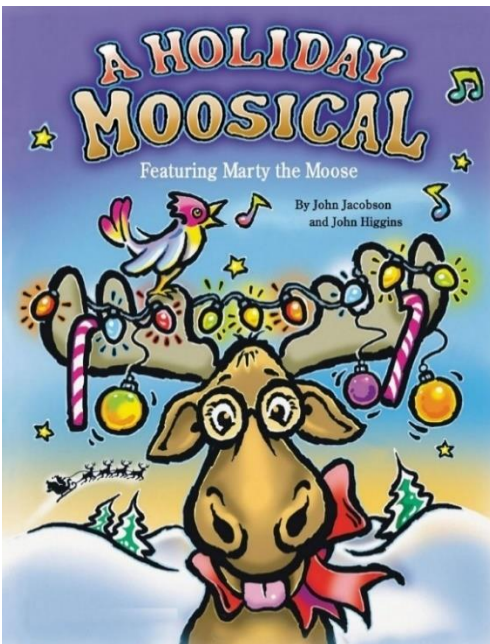
Allie Hassin
Glenwood School
Principal



Mission Statement

Glenwood School is a special place,
where people come together
to learn and to grow academically,
socially, emotionally and physically,
where individuals are valued for their
strengths and for their differences,
as well as for their similarities.

Winter Concert



Thursday, December 14, 2023: Matinee at 10:30 am & Concert at 7:00 pm
(Doors Open at 6:30 pm)

- Kindergarten will perform 2-3 songs
- Grade 1-6 students will perform a musical called, “A Holiday Moosical”

We are all excited about our big performance at this year’s winter concert! Our concert on **Thursday, December 14, 2023** will feature the Kindergartens and all the grade 1-6 students performing a musical called, “A Holiday Moosical”. A Matinee will take place on Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 10:30 am. Parents and guests are welcome to attend if you cannot make it in the evening. Our evening concert will be at 7:00 pm in the Glenwood School gym. Students are asked to arrive at school at 6:30 pm. When the doors open, we ask that all students and audience members remain for the duration of the show. Everyone has worked very hard for our big show, and we look forward to having a full

audience. Students will be dismissed from their classrooms at the end of the concert.

Please note: - Grade 6/7 Leray and Grade 7/8 Jordan/Hartleb are not participating in this concert. They will have their own concert in late January/February 2024 (like last school year).

What to Wear: All students (K-6) are asked to wear traditional concert dress - plain white top and black bottom. The white top need not be a dress shirt or blouse, although “logo-free” if possible. The black bottom may be anything black – dress pants, skirts, jeans or sweats. Also, black footwear would be preferable, but we do not expect families to go out to purchase anything for the concert as we recognize these are tight times for many. The white and black outfit need not be worn during the daytime for the matinee, only for the evening concert.

Parking: Parking in and around the school is limited as most of our staff will also be in attendance. A reminder to be aware of any parking bans that may be in effect at the time of the concert and that the Community Club often has evening programming and so that lot will not be available. I encourage parents to carpool or walk to the concert if possible.

Universal Access: If you need any assistance accessing the building or will need priority parking or seating, please contact the school office at 204-233-3619 before 4:00 pm on December 13th so that we can have this arranged in advance.

Pick-Up: At the end of the concert, please pick up your child at their classroom. Students will not be dismissed from the gym.

Hamper Contributions: If you would like to donate any non-perishable food items or new unwrapped toys, you are welcome to do so at the concert to help support our Community Hamper Food Drive that the school is currently working on.

Thank you to everyone for your support. Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience. I look forward to seeing you at our concert!

Mr. Suban

Music Educator

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Kindergarten Registration for 2024-2025 (Hold the Date)

The Louis Riel School Division Kindergarten Registration dates are below. There is nothing to do at this time, but please be aware of the dates.

If you have a child or know of a child in the LRSD who turns five between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024, they can enroll for Kindergarten for the 2024/2025 school year.

2024 Dates

- **Kindergarten Information Evening**
 - French Immersion Schools – Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:00 pm
 - English Program Schools – Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 6:00 pm
- **Kindergarten Registration Period**
 - From Tuesday, February 20 until March 22, 2024
 - Schools of Choice applications are not accepted prior to February 20, 2024



Requesting a Hamper

NOTICE: HOW TO REQUEST A HAMPER – EXTENDED SUPPORT DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

As the holiday season draws near, we recognize that some families in our community may face challenges that hinder their ability to fully embrace the festive spirit. In response, Glenwood School is committed to providing support through our annual initiative to distribute hampers to families in need.

While we aspire to assist all families requesting a hamper, it's important to acknowledge potential limitations due to available resources. If you are already receiving support from Toy Mountain, the Cheer Board, or another organization, we kindly ask that you refrain from reaching out to the school for a hamper, as our resources are limited.

To register for assistance, please contact our Community Liaison Worker (CLW) at jason.ritchot@lrsd.net, including the names and ages of family members in your household. Anticipate an email confirmation within 3 business days, stating "request received." All requests must be submitted via email by Dec 1, 2023, at 4:00 P.M.

Important Dates:

- Application Deadline: Friday, Dec 1, 2023, at 4:00 P.M.
- Hamper Distribution: Sunday, Dec 17, 2023, from 9:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. *Please ensure someone is home during this time, as volunteers are only available on this date.

Jason Ritchot

Community Liaison - Glenwood School

204-233-3619

jason.ritchot@lrsd.net



Fundraising for Hampers (PIZZA DAY and more!!)

Glenwood School will be hosting a number of fundraisers between now and the Winter Concert to help support our Hamper program. Fundraisers will be on the following dates:

Nov 23, 2023 - Parent Conferences - Bring your loonies and toonies as we will be selling small snack items such as two bite brownies, banana bread, cookie, and juice boxes. There will be a table set up in the hallway across from the library.

Dec 1, 2023 - Hot Chocolate and treat day - Bring your loonies and toonies as we will be selling these items during the day.

Dec 8, 2023 - Pizza Day -Domino's Pizza - Glenwood School is excited to announce will be using "Healthy Hunger" for all of our future lunch fundraising. Parents/Guardians will set up an account and all orders and payments are done electronically. We hope to have our account set up and finalized by Nov 22, 2023 at which point you can set up your personal account and place your order before the Dec 3rd cutoff date. If you're having trouble setting up an account, please connect with Jason and Kelly when you are at Parent Conferences on Nov 23rd. They will be working at the snack table.

<https://healthyhunger.ca/parent-register>



Dec 14, 2023 - Winter Concert - We will be selling candy canes, juice, and other treats the night of the concert.



Lunch Programs: Allergens

There are children attending Glenwood School who have allergies to peanut butter and nuts that can cause a severe anaphylactic reaction. Even exposure to a tiny amount of this item could be potentially serious and life threatening.

It is a goal of our school community to strive to provide a safe environment for all our students. To this end, we have reviewed the individual needs of our students and the procedures and policies presently in place. We can all play a role in preventing such a dangerous and frightening situation at school. Although specific children and families must take responsibility to avoid exposure, we can also help to make the school environment safer.

We therefore ask your co-operation in:

- Avoid sending all snacks or items containing peanuts/nuts with your child to school including food, snacks, or chips cooked in peanut oil.
- Informing your child's teacher before giving food products to any children, other than your own at school.

Any student/family who forgets and brings peanut butter/nuts to school will be asked to eat their lunch in a designated area. We will then ensure that the tables in this area are properly washed and sterilized. A reminder note will be sent home to remind parents of the importance of maintaining a nut free environment.

It is imperative that we all teach children to respect this very serious situation and discourage teasing or threatening of the allergic child. Thank you in advance for your consideration and support in this matter. As a school team, we do our utmost to ensure the safety of all students.



Report Cards Have Been Available Online Since Thursday, November 16, 2023

In order to access your child's report card, you must use the LRSD Parent Portal. Instructions as to how to access the portal can be found here <https://www.lrsd.net/glenwood/page/743/student-forms-and-start-up-information>.

If you have any difficulties, please make sure to contact the office.

Also, a reminder to sign up for Thursday, November 23 **Student Progress Reports** through our [Conference Manager](#).



Student Absences and Early Pick UP

Please call the school office if your child is going to be absent or late. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. An answering machine is available for you to leave a message if it is more convenient for you to call outside of office hours.

School Attendance: 204-233-3619

If a student is absent and the parent or guardian has not called the school, we will call home or work to determine that the child's absence is known and that he/she is safe. This pertains to all grades from K to Gr. 8 and includes those days when Junior High students are to be at Industrial Arts or Home Economics classes. Please call us if your child is going to be absent, as this saves both a great deal of time and worry! Thanks!

Any student arriving after 9:00 am and 12:45 pm must report to the office upon arrival, otherwise the student will be reported absent, and an unnecessary telephone call will be made to the parent.

Occasionally parents wish to pick up their children prior to our regular dismissal times. Parents are asked to make arrangements to come into the school and pick up their children at the office. Please do not ask your child to wait at the door, or on the playground, or go to the classroom.



Glenwood Family Centre

Glenwood Family Centre provides **FREE** programs for children 0-5 years of age. We offer fun and age-appropriate activities for you and your young ones to enhance their development, foster close familial bonds, and connect with other families and the community! Join the fun and have a healthy snack with us!

Through play-based learning, our program targets:

- Early literacy and numeracy
- Language development
- Nutrition and healthy living habits
- Physical skills
- Social-emotional skills

We celebrate and support our diverse community! Our programs are planned thoughtfully for our families. We also have a resource and a donation centre to help meet our families' needs and connect with outside support.

If you have any questions, contact the Glenwood Family Centre by calling 204-233-3619 or email Kelly.BeckinghamJohnson@lrsd.net

Up-To-Date Calendars of Events can be found at this link.

[Glenwood Family Centre](#)

DECEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00	2
3	4 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	5 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	6 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	7 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	8 FAMILY BREAKFAST MUST REGISTER	9
10	11 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	12 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	13 CLOSED Staff PD	14 School Concert Regular FC schedule	15 CAREGIVER CREATIVITY MUST REGISTER	16
17	18 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	19 Stay and Play 9-11, music 10:25 1:00-3:00	20 Stay and Play 9:00-11:00 1:00-3:00	21 MAKE AND TAKE PLAYDOUGH MUST REGISTER	22 Closed Room Prep	23
24 W	25 I	26 N	27 T	28 E	29 R	30
31 W	B	R	E	A	K	

NOTES

SPECIAL DATES TO REGISTER FOR AND NOTE

DEC 8: FAMILY BREAKFAST
REGISTER BY DECEMBER 4TH

DEC 13: CLOSED
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

DEC 15: CAREGIVER
CREATIVITY PROJECT

DEC 21: MAKE AND TAKE
PLAYDOUGH

CLOSED FRIDAY
AFTERNOONS, PLANNING

DEC 14: GLENWOOD
SCHOOL WINTER CONCERT, PARKING MAY BE HARD TO FIND THIS DAY

GLENWOOD FAMILY CENTRE

DECEMBER 2023

WELCOME

We welcome caregivers and children ages 0-5 for free play, art, songs, stories, snacks and more! Join us to meet other caregivers, make new connections and build stronger relationships with your young ones. We offer drop-ins, free planned programs, and can help access community resources for you and your family. Come for a visit!

DECEMBER AT THE CENTRE

December will be an exciting month full of fun activities. We will have our first FAMILY BREAKFAST together, a CREATIVITY PROJECT for interested caregivers to make and take home, and a make and take PLAYDOUGH day to help keep our little ones busy over the break. We hope to see many of you here to enjoy these special plans! Sign up in the centre!!

Special dates to register for and note

- Dec 8: Family Breakfast
- Dec 13: CLOSED Professional Development
- Dec 15: Caregiver creativity
- Dec 21: Make and take playdough
- CLOSED FRIDAY AFTERNOONS FOR PLANNING
- Dec 14: School concert, parking may be hard to find this day

Where to find us

We are located at 51 Blenheim Ave in Glenwood School
For more information please contact us by email at:
kelly.beckingham-johnson@lrsd.net

Friendly Reminders

- we are an allergy aware and peanut safe facility
- please bring indoor shoes for your time in the centre
- caregivers must attend with the children as we are not a child care facility



Glenwood School Calendar:

Please note that there is now an [online calendar](#) that is being updated with all of the information that you need to stay current. Dates will be updated and possibly changed as the school year progresses.

