

# April 2017 Newsletter

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to spring from GBCS! The snow is disappearing fast and the playground, while not yet green, is trying hard to blossom. The second half of the year is always very busy with projects, sports, preparation for EQAO and the not-so-far-away Grade 8 graduation. Even with the longer days and warmer weather, the learning in the classrooms is building by the day so students are reminded to keep up with all of the responsibilities of being a GBCS student!



## SPRINGTIME CLOTHING

As spring approaches and the ground is getting muddy, we are finding that lots of students don't have a specific pair of indoor shoes and are wearing outdoor shoes into classrooms and the gym. Please ensure that your child has a pair of indoor shoes **for indoor use only** and if this is a concern please contact Ms. Damsma if this is a concern.

Thanks for your cooperation and continued support.

## SAFE ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE

519-538-1680 Ext.100

Please remember to report your child's absence in advance by calling the school and leaving a message at Ext 100, by 8:45 a.m. We would also appreciate that you keep the office updated with recent telephone numbers.

## PICK UP/DROP OFF & BUS NOTES

If students will be leaving school early during the day we ask that parents **come in to the Office to sign your child out**, and we will call them down at that time. If your child(ren) will not be riding the bus home in the afternoon we need to have these messages **NO LATER than 2 p.m.** Last minute changes hinder our Bus Departure procedures and in some cases hold the bus up. Please be mindful of other students who ride the same bus and those parents waiting for their children.

## UPCOMING DATES

April 14 – Good Friday  
April 17 – Easter Monday  
April 22-30 – Earth Week  
April 26 – Lost in the Woods

## CONGRATULATIONS!



### French Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Arabella Coghlin, in grade 5, the winner of our school wide elementary French Spelling Bee!

### GBCS Girls Basketball Win Area Elementary Championship!

Six schools participated at our area basketball tournament held March 27<sup>th</sup> at GBCS. Our girls won each of their games including a tense, anxiety filled championship final. They now advance to the Board tournament to be held April 13<sup>th</sup> OSDSS!!

GBCS Boys Basketball – Congratulations to the Boys Basketball Team for winning 2nd place at our Regional Tournament held on March 31<sup>st</sup>! They also advance to the BWDSB Tournament being held April 11<sup>th</sup> at OSDSS!!

Thanks to all the Coaches and Convener McLeod for all their support, as well as parents, students and our fans! *Go Thunder!*

### Legion Poster/Essay Winners

Congratulations to Marielle Lachey who came in 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 743 entries for the Remembrance Day Poster Contest at RCL District C Competition.

Congratulations to Sawyer Woodhouse who placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Junior Essay contest at RCL District C Competition.

### **GBCS ORCHESTRA**

We are working towards our public performance at the Kiwanis Festival of Music and there is so much to do!



Kiwanis Festival Performances are held on Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, at First United Church, Owen Sound from 12:00 pm – 1:40 pm. Evening performances will be held at Georgian Bay Community School – Gym, from 6:00 pm – 7:10 pm. GBCS Senior Orchestra will also be performing that same evening, and you may wish to stay and watch them as well.

We are also booked for a community Goldenaires Choir Concert to be held: Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm – Meaford United Church. The show is free (goodwill offering) and the proceeds go to youth music programs in our town. We have been asked to play our pieces, and also sing with the choir for the final number....NICE!

### **LOST IN THE WOODS**

Over 100 students are participating! Rehearsals are going great. We are almost ready for the big night! Come see the show!



Come see the show! Come see the show! The elementary school play will have two performances: Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at noon and at 7:00 p.m. in the school gym. Tickets are \$3.00 available from any of the

actors or actresses, or on sale at school hallway during recess the week before the show. It'll be a great show, and everyone is invited.

### **GR 8 OTTAWA TRIP REMINDER**

Last payment is now due! Just a reminder to please send this payment in a.s.a.p., either On-line or by Cheque, payable to: Georgian Bay Community School.

### **PIZZA, MILK & SPECIAL FOOD DAYS**

Milk Cards and Pizza orders are online for ordering. Milk Cards can be purchased 20 milks for \$15.00 and pizza will be sold for a month at a time. You can order a month at a time for all Wednesdays or select which Wednesday you would like to purchase pizza. (See details on School Cash Online to register.) "Day of" orders will still be accepted. Milk \$.75 (White or chocolate), Pizza Wednesdays \$1.00/slice.

Pita Pit orders will continue this month – April 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to place your order online again this month. We will continue to have Pitas every Thursday of the week. If you wish to order the old fashion way, we will **only** be able to accept exact change. If you didn't get to use your re-imbusement coupons last month, feel free to fill out a paper order form and attach the coupon. Please put the exact change and order form in a plastic baggie or envelope. Thank you for supporting the Grade 8 Ottawa trip.