



### Greetings to all Glanford Families!

Hello **GMS** students, families, and staff – thanks for making our Middle School one that all of us are proud to be associated with! At **GMS**, we are committed to a strong academic program, healthy opportunities for socialization, developing creativity, working collaboratively, and celebrating a healthy school climate.

### Upcoming Important Dates

Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> - round three and four of mini-exploratory

Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> - **GMS** gets active to support the Heart and Stroke Foundation

Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> - Spring Music Concerts, 9 am and 6:30 pm, everyone welcome

Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> - Retro Assembly, 1:30 pm - parents and grandparents welcome

Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> - Spring Break; school re-opens Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>

### Athletics at GMS

One thing we continue to learn about young adolescent learners in Middle Schools is the importance of physical development, as well as social/emotional learning. At **GMS**, we are privileged to have so many of our staff members that give willingly of their time to allow opportunities for our kids. **Volleyball** season is now winding down, and we have been delighted to have many students participating in recreational volleyball at lunch times, as well as more competitive volleyball after school with **Ms. Devlin, Mr. Ian Ross, Mrs. Larocque, Julia Parmar and Mr. Allsopp**. We have also had some exciting floor hockey happening every week for boys and girls in grades 6-8 with **Mr. Scigliano and Mr. Shires**. This has been great exercise and lots of fun for our students! Our next team activities after Spring Break will be field hockey and rugby.

### Music and Fine Arts at GMS

Music continues to be a pillar of success at **GMS**. Our students are primed to perform at the Spring Concert events planned for Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> here at **GMS**. Congratulations to all of the music students at **GMS** – your growing skills in music are to be celebrated, as well as their teachers - **Mr. Lienard, Mr. Barmby and Mrs. Fisher**. Thanks also to **Mrs. Porter and Ms. Rhodes** for their ongoing leadership with our dancers at **GMS**!

### Hoops for Heart

Each year, **GMS** supports **The Heart and Stroke Foundation** while promoting physical fitness and an active lifestyle. This year, to support the Heart and Stroke Foundation, all **GMS** students and staff have chosen Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> as a day of to be active. We have asked students and staff to make a donation of a loonie or a twonie, toward this important cause. For families wishing to make larger donations, students are encouraged to bring home a pledge envelope for their families and tax deductible donations are available.



## **GMS Hits Mt. Washington**

In recent years, GMS had to cancel their annual ski trip to Mt. Washington due to a lack of snow. This year, there was no lack of snow, and five full busses of students, staff, and parents made their way up to the mountain for a glorious day of skiing, snowboarding, snow shoeing and tubing! Thanks so much to Mrs. Reicker for all of her careful organization of this event. Fun had by all!!

## **Student Supervision at GMS**

As a reminder, it is important that **GMS** families know that the supervision of students at **GMS** before and after instructional time commences at 8:00 AM before school, and runs until 3:00 PM after school. We offer the use of the library and the computer lab for students before school, commencing at 8:00 AM. Additionally, teachers have been making arrangements for extra assistance for students before school in advisory classes. Most mornings, we also have band/strings in the music room and performing arts studio, and sports team practices occurring in the gym. We do not have any supervision in the hallways before classes begin at 8:30 AM, and students have been asked to not be at their lockers or in the hallways at that time. Entrance to the school is limited to the front doors of the school when entering before regular class time. We have also been reminding students about the importance of safe walking/bike riding routes to and from school.

***See you in and around Glanford!***

Louie Scigliano, Principal  
Sarah Khosla, Vice-Principal



**A Night of Spectrum Alumni Entertainment!  
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