



Celebrations and Ceremonies!

The final 7 weeks of school is a time of celebration for students, staff and families as we get set to close out an amazing year of accomplishments here at GPS. Our Grizzlies have stayed strong and resilient throughout this year and we look forward to finding fun ways to celebrate their accomplishments and achievements throughout the month of June, including engaging them in self assessment and reflection as part of the process of completing the end of year provincial report cards. There will be a **PD Day on June 2nd** to allow educators time to begin writing these documents, which will go home on the last day of school which is June 29.

Our Grade 3 and 6 students will be ending this month with engaging in the provincial assessment (**EQAO**) of reading, writing, and mathematics for the primary and junior divisions from **May 29 - June 9**.

The Gravenhurst BiFocals will be hosting a concert for our students on May 31 at 9:30am - families are welcome to attend - and we'll continue our tradition of Monday Grizzly Gatherings every Monday at 9am in the gym with the exception of the last week of school.

On **May 24**, we look forward to meeting new Grizzlies at our **Welcome to Kindergarten** event which will run from 4:30 - 5:30 here at the school. Don't forget to register your child for kindergarten ASAP if they turn four in 2023.

It's also the season of field trips! Our Grade 7/8 students will be headed to Georgian College on **May 25** and then to Toronto for a Blue Jays game on **June 1**. Mrs Nevison and Mrs Wright's classes will be headed to Wye Marsh on **June 6** with Mrs Davey, Mrs Orchard and Mrs Dent's classes heading there on **June 20**. On **June 26**, Mrs. Ferrari, Mrs. Golden and Mrs Barton will be taking their classes to Santa's Village.

We'll have a school based **Track & Field** event throughout the day on **June 5** for Gr 4-8 to participate in as a qualifier with a regional event being held at GHS on **June 12**.

Speaking of celebrations, our Grade 8s are excited to begin their transition out of elementary school with our **Grade 8 Graduation** occurring at GPS on **June 28 at 6:00pm** with our **end of year assembly** also taking place on - **June 28, 2022 at 9:00am** where we will celebrate our Erin Bickle and Bear Paw Awards.

As the weather gets warmer, we are asking for parent support in ensuring kids go home **immediately** after the bell vs staying at the school to play. Our yard is not supervised after the 3:10 bell.



We acknowledge that on **June 21** we commemorate **National Indigenous People's Day** to recognize the history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in Canada. Our classes will have intentionally chosen content about the contributions of Indigenous Canadians incorporated throughout their learning as a way to mark the significance of this day.



Progress Pride Flag @ GPS

This June we celebrate Pride Month at GPS! The month-long celebration is a way to recognize the impact that 2SLGBTQIA+ [two-spirit, lesbian, gay, transgender, bisexual, queer or questioning, intersex, asexual] individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally.

The progress pride flag, which was created in 2018, has a five-coloured chevron that represents "racialized people and transgender identity, placing greater emphasis on intersectionality and progression. Raising the flag will visibly highlight our continued commitment to ensuring equity, dignity, well-being, diversity, and inclusion of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community in TLDSB.