



# Glenbrook Community Preschool Newsletter

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## Play Dough Recipe

### Combine:

2 cups flour  
2 cups salt  
4 tsp of cream of tartar

### Mix and add:

4 tbsp of oil (NOT peanut oil)  
4 cups water  
A few drops food coloring  
Stir over medium heat until it forms a ball. Knead until smooth.  
Store in a sealed bag.

## We are a Peanut Free Zone

As the preschool provides a healthy snack for your child during his/her preschool class, please do not send any other food to school with your child due to several allergy concerns. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

## Cold and Flu Season

Flu season is here! If your child has a messy nose, a persistent cough or is feeling 'a bit off' PLEASE do not send them to school. If your child has any of these symptoms at school, you will be contacted to come and take them home. Thank you for helping keep our classrooms germ free and our teachers and students healthy☺



## Holidays and Important Dates

Monday, Oct. 13 -----Thanksgiving Day (no classes)  
Wednesday, Nov. 5 -----Parent's Advisory Committee Meeting (7 pm)  
Mon/Tues, Nov. 10&11 -- No classes (Remembrance Day Break)  
Wednesday, Dec. 3 ----Parent's Advisory Committee Meeting (7 pm)  
Wednesday, Dec. 17---Last day of classes before Winter Break  
Monday, Jan. 5-----Classes Resume

☆Parents are reminded that they are welcome to attend the Parent's Advisory Committee meetings which are held at the school in Mrs. Fozzard's classroom. Please RSVP to [lynda\\_p@telusplanet.net](mailto:lynda_p@telusplanet.net) the Friday before due to space limitations. At the November meeting, we will be discussing revisions to the school's toilet training policy.

## Halloween at Glenbrook Preschool

On the class nearest to Halloween day your child is welcome to wear a costume to school. Please leave all Halloween toy weapons at home and remember how warm the classrooms get when selecting your costumes.

Please do not send along any Halloween treats with your child due to health concerns. Thank you for your cooperation!

M/W/F classes dress up on Friday, October 31  
Tu/Th classes dress up on Thursday, October 30  
F only classes dress up on Friday, October 31



## Updated Contact Information

Please be sure your phone contact information is up to date in our files. Alberta licensing requires us to have current contact phone numbers for both home and work. As well, our teachers use these numbers to contact parents in case of an emergency. If your information has changed, please submit your updated information in writing to a teacher. Thank you for your assistance☺



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## This and That

- \* Thank you for your cooperation in using the south side doors marked "boys". The front office staff appreciates no traffic through the front of the school.
- \* Short sleeves are great for school as the room temperature is quite warm and they make it easier for water play and crafts as well.
- \* Thank you for continuing to park on the street at the back of the school or in the alleyway (being careful not to block neighborhood garages). It is greatly appreciated by the school and the neighbourhood residents.
- \* There is NO need to contact the preschool or teachers when your child will be absent. The teachers take careful attendance records themselves.
- \* A pair of brown *Osh Kosh* shoes with pink flowers on them have gone missing from one of the four year old classes. Please return them to one of the teachers, if you find that they made it home with you by accident. Thank you ☺

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## Glamorgan Kindergarten 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Glamorgan Community Kindergarten will be holding a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and Open House on October 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. For more information please visit [www.glamorgancommunitykindergarten.com](http://www.glamorgancommunitykindergarten.com)

### Newsletter Additions

Please contact Nadia Honnet, Newsletter Editor, at 283-9385 or [nhonnet@shaw.ca](mailto:nhonnet@shaw.ca) if you would like to make contributions to our monthly newsletter.

## Provincial Child Care Subsidy

Many parents are unaware that the Province of Alberta provides a subsidy of up to \$100 per month, per child towards tuition for children who are cared for by a stay-at-home parent. This subsidy is in addition to the new Universal Child Care Benefit provided by the Federal Government.

There is a maximum combined family income and the stay-at-home parent cannot work more than 20 hours per week to be able to qualify. If eligible, parents must pay the preschool first and then refunds will be issued from the preschool after the government has reviewed attendance records and sent out the monthly subsidy for each child.

For eligibility requirements and further information please go to: <http://child.alberta.ca/home/710.cfm> or call the toll free parent information line: 1-866-714-5437.

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## FUNdraising Update

A big thanks to all of you who make our first fundraiser such a huge success. What amazing salespeople you are! In total, we sold 205 SUTP Coupon Books. These sales, combined with additional cash donations, have earned our preschool a profit of over \$2000 - well past our original target of \$1450. Way to go!

Watch for our next exciting fundraiser - Simple Simon Pies - brought back by popular demand. This fundraiser will run in time for the Christmas Season ... stocking stuffers anyone? More information and student packages will be handed out in the classrooms in November. Thanks again for all your support. The money raised through these efforts will go directly to our preschool.

For all future fundraisers please only submit money in the form of a **cheque or money order**. We will not be accepting cash for security reasons. All cheques should be made out to Glenbrook Community Preschool. Thank you.

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## Our Teacher Assistants

This year we have three wonderful teacher assistants working with our teachers in your children's' classrooms. These ladies have a wealth of experience working with preschoolers and are a great addition to our teaching team. Welcome to Robyn McConnell and welcome back to Sandi Ohaupel (Mrs. O) and Starla Robinson (who is also the teacher for the two year old preschool class on Fridays).

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## Scholastic Book Orders

You may order Scholastic books at a great price through our preschool if you wish. Just pick up an order form from the wall pocket in the cloakroom, fill it out and return it (with a cheque made payable to Scholastic Canada Inc.) to the drop box (also in the cloakroom) by the date posted near the entry doors each month. The preschool benefits from your orders by getting to choose free books to use in the preschool.

