



Welcome to Gledhill Junior Public School

Kindergarten Registration

Imagine a school where learning starts the moment your children walk through the front doors.

Imagine a school where the principal leads by example.



Marita Adams, Principal

When you became a parent, everything changed. You watched your children sleep. You sang them their first song. You made them feel safe. Now it's time for Kindergarten, a big step in your child's life.

We make Kindergarten a precious time, giving your children the individual attention they need. We create a world where your children develop their creative, social and academic abilities surrounded by caring and talented teachers they will remember for the rest of their lives.

Gledhill Junior Public School Building Partnerships For Your Child

I know what your child needs to thrive in school. I was a Kindergarten teacher for ten years; and I have Early Childhood Education credentials from the University of Toronto.

I am Marita Adams, Principal of Gledhill Junior Public School. I have a holistic view of education; I believe in building a positive, nurturing and stimulating learning environment for children. I know the value of building strong community partnerships to create enhanced opportunities for your child.

Parents are valued, vital members of our community. Our large base of **65 parent volunteers** works directly in classrooms



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and on committees. In fact, parents sponsor a **Welcome Tea** for all new Kindergarten families.

I value every member of my team; together, we share a commitment to social justice, global awareness and education for all children.

We are proud to be a **Gold Eco School** and our **EcoTigers** clubs are open to all students starting in Grade 1. Students collaborate on projects to make our school environmentally friendly. For example, one Grade 5 student invented the **Litter Bug kit** that includes a bin with garden gloves and plastic bags for children to help keep their school clean. We are planning an outstanding **outdoor garden and learning centre** for students and the community. Today, child care and Junior Kindergarten children enjoy a special pre-school playground.

Our partnerships extend to universities. Our **Early Intervention** project has tutors providing extra support to students; York University and University of Maine

student teachers are involved in our **Early Intervention** program; a Ryerson University nursing student helps students in health classes.

We offer an excellent **French Immersion** program for students in Senior Kindergarten to Grade 6. We provide an **International Languages** program, through our integrated extended day school, that provides 150 additional minutes a week to teaching Mandarin and Cantonese languages.

Gledhill Child Care centre is located in our school for your child's safety and your convenience. My team of talented teachers works in partnership with child care staff to create a seamless transition for your child.

Start your children at Gledhill Junior Public School and watch them achieve great things.

Marita Adams, Principal
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Gledhill Junior Public School Programs For Your Child

Kindergarten is a big step in your child's life. We make the transition a wonderful experience for your child and a reassuring decision for you. A safe and welcoming Kindergarten, coupled with balanced academic and social programs, provides the best foundation to nurture your child's abilities.

Language and Literacy

- Developmental Reading Assessment program
- First Steps for writing
- Parent literacy information nights
- Reading Buddies
- Silver Birch reading program
- Wiggleworks computer-based early literacy program

Arts Programs

- Band, choirs, music concerts performances, recorder, strings, vocal
- School concerts and trips to the Toronto Symphony Orchestra at Roy Thomson Hall

Students enjoy performances by **Prologue for the Arts**; and the Community and School Association helps fund a theatre arts program and professional drama instructor for all students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6.

Mathematics, Science and Technology

- Science and math investigations
- Earth Day activities and environmental committee
- School recycling program
- Scientists in School program
- Class visits to Island Natural Science School

Social Skills and Leadership Programs

- Student recognition assemblies
- TRIBES program
- Values, Influences and Peers (V.I.P.)

Our **Second Step** program promotes positive social skills and includes anti-bullying. We have expanded our very effective **Roots of Empathy** program to four classes, where students monitor an infant's progress through varying stages.

Learning Centre and Library Resources

- Computer classes and computer lab
- Library Resource Centre and parent resource library
- Bilingual resources

Before/After School and Co-Curricular Activities

- Chess club and art clubs
- Kilometer Club, badminton, baseball, basketball, cross-country running, hockey, slo-pitch, soccer, track and field





Five Simple Steps to Register Your Child in Kindergarten



- 1 Please visit our school office or attend our Open House and bring:
- 2 Your child's birth certificate or baptismal record or passport
- 3 Two pieces of identification that show your address (For example, your telephone bill, driver's licence, bank statement, income tax form, rental or lease agreement)
- 4 Your child's immunization card - a list of needles your child has received
- 5 As the parent, you sign our registration form after providing the items listed above

Kindergarten Registration: Starting in February

I look forward to meeting you and answering your questions.

I welcome your call at 416-393-1745, from 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.
Or please drop by for a visit.

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