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GLENELLA SCHOOL

Principal Report

March is here! February was a great month here at school! The students enjoyed I Love to Read month activities and we were very thankful for our guest readers this month. We had great weather for the tubing trip and everyone had a great time. The parent advisory council had a sloppy joe hot lunch on February 24th and it was delicious.

Things do not slow down in March either. March 1st we are hosting the girls 7/8 divisional basketball tournament, junior high curling takes place March 8 in McCreary, ski trip March 14, and to end off that week is parent teacher interviews. Senior badminton has started and will continue till mid April. We will end off the month with Spring Break! I am looking forward to a great month!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS


March 13: Elementary Report Cards Go Home

March 14: Ski Trip to Minnedosa

March 16-17: Parent Teacher Interviews

March 17: No Classes

March 27-31: Spring Break



KINDERGARTEN NEWS

February seemed to fly by because we were so busy.

The kindergartens finished their Phys.ed skating with Mr. Smith while the Juniors to Grade 2's enjoyed gym with Mrs. Sacharko every other day. We celebrated Mrs. Sacharko's birthday and Valentine's Day with a fun day outside finished with hot chocolate. We celebrated 50/100 day on the 17th and we finished the month with guest readers for I Love to Read month, which the kids thoroughly enjoyed!

We started home reading and sight word practice and the kindergarten kids are very proud that there are books that they can now read. We are looking forward to continuing our hard work in class and the nice weather that is sure to come soon! I'm sure March will go by just as fast as February did. By the time we know it, we'll be discussing Spring Break plans during Parent Teacher interviews (March 16 and 17th)!

Mrs. Sacharko

MISS KREUTZER'S CLASSROOM

Whew! What a month February has been! I Love to Read Month kept us busy with spirit days and guest readers. We loved being able to have guests in the school again and really appreciated everyone that took time out of their day to come and share a good book with us.

February also included wrapping up our skating in Phys.Ed, and a big thank you to Mr. Smith for organizing everything. We also went tubing in MacGregor before February turned to cold and had a blast zooming up and down the hill.

On the learning side our Grade 1/2 class has been hard at work. The mathematicians in Grade 2 are now able to solve addition problems to 100 and are getting quick with their addition mental math. Coming up next we will be switching our brains over to the subtraction side of things. In Grade 1 our mathematician is practicing addition to 20, and will also be moving on to subtraction in the month of March.

In ELA we have been working on capital letters and where they belong. We have been practicing

As Scientists, we have been learning about the States of Matter. This is one of my favourite units to teach. We have been doing multiple experiments, including making predictions and finding our results. We have some more interesting experiments coming up to wrap up our unit before we move onto solving the mystery of the water cycle.

Just because I Love to Read Month is over doesn't mean we stop reading. Home reading is still on the go!

Happy Canadian Agriculture Month!
Miss Kreutzer

I LOVE TO READ MONTH!



For I Love to Read Month we had some awesome guest readers! Thanks so much to Cade Bendtsen and Garrett MacDonald of the Neepawa Titans, our superintendent Bev Szymesko, Eric Vachon and Valerie McInnes for coming and reading to our Grade K-6 classes!

GRADE 3/4

It's hard to believe that February is already over! This month we enjoyed I Love to read, Valentine's Day, 100 Day, as well as, our tubing trip to MacGregor.

In ELA, we have been working on creating storyboards. Each student has been working hard at writing their own stories. For 100 Day we did some writing pieces about when we are 100 years old. We continue to work on our cursive and weekly spelling.

In Math, our unit is on telling time. Everyone has been catching on quickly to reading a clock. We have also been discussing the difference between a.m and p.m, quarter to, quarter past, half past and time intervals.

We really enjoyed learning about plants and animals during our science unit on Habitat and Communities. We discussed different plants and animals and their habitats, adaptations, extinct and endangered animals. Everyone did a great job researching and creating their posters. We created an endangered and extinct animal poster along with a poster on a habitat of our choice.

In Art we used a variety of techniques to create different Valentine's Day art.

This month we also celebrated Leah's Birthday.

Mrs. Pilatic



Valentine's Day fun in 3/4!





TUBING DAY!



Everyone that went tubing at Valley View Tubing Hill in Macgregor had an awesome time!



GRADE 5/6 NEWS

In English, the Grade 5's started reading "Double Fudge", while the Grade 6's started reading "Bridge to Terabithia". We have begun a unit on figurative language. So far, we have learnt about alliteration and have created our own tongue twisters and we have also learnt about onomatopoeias and have created posters with a sound word. The class has been reading short stories and making predictions and inferences about what would happen next.

We have started our science unit on "Forces and Simple Machines". The 5/6's have learnt about the three types of levers, wheel and axle, and gears. They got to work with cardboard cutouts of gears and tried to place several together to make them move. We are currently creating cars out of recycled materials and will be having races in the gym once they are all completed.

In Math, both grades have been learning about perimeter, area and volume. So far the 5/6's know that perimeter is the measurement of the outside of the shape, while area is the measurement of the inside of a shape. The class is excited because they will be creating cheat sheets with all their formulas that they get to use for their test!

February month was I Love to Read Month. We have been excited to have guest readers come to read to us while also participating in dress up days. We have continued to cross-country ski in McCreary and have really improved our skills! The class is able to go up and down hills while going on trails. We have had many laughs watching everyone go down the hills! The whole 5/6 class participate in tubing day in MacGregor, which was a blast!

Bye for now,

Miss Smith



WITH MR. LOWRY

Greetings everyone! Spring is around the corner, hard to believe that Spring Break is within reaching distance! Like I've always said to the students, seems like we just started the school year! Here is what everyone has been doing in class.

7/8 Math

In math the 7's are doing Circles which includes radius, diameter and circumference. The 8's are completing the coverage of Pythagorean Theorem, here they are finding the missing distance a particular side of a right triangle.

7/8 Science

In science we are continuing our coverage of structures and forces. A lot of hands-on opportunities happening in this unit, and the students are enjoying every moment of it. We will be heading into the earth's crust unit later on in the school year.

7/8 SS

In social studies, we are continuing our coverage of the quality of life. The students have the opportunity to assess their way of living compared to another person that lives in another country more specifically a third world country. We will be heading into our coverage of Asia later on.

11 Agriculture

I have the opportunity to teach a new course called agriculture, I am very excited to teach this course considering I come from a Ag background. Our first unit is talking about diversity of agriculture as Manitoba is the most diverse province in regards to agriculture.

Mr. Lowry

**Thank you to PAC for spoiling
our staff for staff appreciation
week this month!**



WITH MISS BARCLAY

A new semester has arrived once again, and students are excited to begin new courses and continue on with personal favourites. With March Break just around the corner it is more important than ever for students to participate in class discussions to the best of their ability so they can maximize in-class work and extra help opportunities.

With February bringing "I Love to Read" month to K-8 classrooms, students in Grades 7-8 have been engaged with developing stronger reading skills and developing their passion for poetry. While students a few grades up in Grade 10 have been busy starting their first novel study of the semester with *Tears of a Tiger*. This novel started off with a bang and students have been extremely passionate about their reading of this text. Many great discussions have already occurred, and it is exciting to see our students becoming engaged once again in print materials!

Grade 10 students have also been busy with Digital Pictures and learning about the best "rules" for capturing those picture-perfect moments. Recently, students have been exploring famous photographers and reflecting on their own individual identity in the world around them through the lens of their camera. Student creativity abounds within this elective and our students have been expanding their application of modern technology. Never before has a generation had such an opportunity to express themselves 24/7 than in today's high-tech world.

Students participating in Grade 10 American History this semester have started off on a strong foot. Before the end of February, we have already tackled several hundred years' worth of history. The course begins with Indigenous communities before European contact which led to students learning about explorers, conquistadors, trade relationships, and the settlements of the eastern seaboard. With February coming to a close, things are just starting to heat up in History as we begin our study of the American Revolution.

Our students have had a busy first month of school, but we are so proud of them! In March we have many things to look forward to; K-8 students have report cards going home, all students have parent-teacher interviews, and before we know it March Break will be here. The excitement of Semester 2 is just beginning, and we can't wait to see what this new chapter holds for all of us.

Miss. Barclay



AUTOMOTIVE

We've got a lot on the go here at the shop! The 11's and 12's have completed their health and safety and are beginning to get into vehicle systems. The 11's are starting with the starting system, and the 12's are beginning the long process of the electrical system.... This should be fun, said no one ever. The 11's and 12's also got an awesome project to keep their hands busy in the shop. An engine, transmission, and front sub frame to separate! The 11's goal with this will be to slowly take it apart and rebuild it as their course is mainly around engine fundamentals and the chassis system. The grade 12's have their own tricks up their sleeves. With plans to bring in a derby car to strip down and get ready for some summer fun, and some tinkering around to get an old Mustang ready for the road again.

The grade 9's are also pretty busy! As part of the practical work they get to do this semester we are undergoing our Operation Shop Clean Up. Basically the students pair up and pick a box that has someone's old abandoned project in it, and finish it! While we got through this, each box has a different motor to rebuild, and if they are missing bolt, screws, or any major parts that affect the rebuild then they make a document for it and by the end the goal is to have everything put back together and returned to their owners. The 9 exploration class has been busy building on tool knowledge, identification, and use.

Our grade 8's are learning a new vehicle system each class. We got to check out the different styles of brake systems found in vehicles, how to service them, and complete lifting, removing and installing a tire! The next one they will be learning about is the starting system. This includes all the components, how they work, identifying them on a vehicle, how to diagnose which component is failing, and how to run some tests. The 7's are busy with their engine projects and are half way through, now they pause and do a project on the internals of a motor before they resume the rebuild.

That's the shop update, we'll see what we have on the go next month!
Mrs. Stokes



BASKETBALL REPORT

Good day parents, we are in winter season now so that means basketball season is among us and I was kindly asked to coach these young boys and girls this season. We have a jr. boys team with 8 players and a jr girls team with 10 players. Both teams are extremely competitive and are willing to improve on their skills in basketball.

So far we have played 3 games against St. Rose, McCreary and Alonsa. The boys have a 1-2 record and the girls have a 3-0 record! Next week we have a game against Laurier and then we have our divisionals. The boys have their divisionals in St. Rose while the girls have their divisionals right here in Glenella. Friends and family are welcome to come to all our home/away games.

Duncan Lowry

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Huck Brown and Paisley Needham of the Eagles Junior Basketball team for receiving the athlete of the month awards for February!

Huck is the shooting guard for this year's junior boys basketball team. When Huck is on the court, Huck gives 100% effort during games and practices, he is always motivated to be a better athlete. He always focuses on improving basic fundamental skills including shooting, dribbling and passing. Despite winning or losing Huck plays the game right until the final buzzer. He is a huge asset to the basketball team. Huck was also a member of the junior volleyball team as well as a grade 5 student and we look forward to what other athletics he will get involved in.

Paisley is the Centre for this year's junior girls basketball team. Paisley shows up to every practice ready to improve her fundamentals and team play, she motivates her teammates to improve on their crafts with or without the basketball. Paisley is also willing to do the unpleasant tasks that many don't want to do on the basketball court, which includes going for rebounds against bigger and taller players and she always comes up with the rebounded basketball.

Paisley was a member of the junior soccer team but due to an injury in that season was unable to participate on the volleyball team. Last year, she also did badminton, track and field and slo-pitch; hopefully we will see her in those sports again this year

