

April

Principal's Report

Thank you to all the parents who participated in Parent Teacher Interviews on Thursday March 18th and Friday March 19th.

On April 15th, grade 9-12 report cards will be going home. We will not be hosting another Parent Teacher Interview Day, but if you would like to discuss your child's progress, please contact the individual Teachers.

There will be no school on April 30th as staff will be participating in a Professional Development Day!

Parents are asked to wait until break time to text students or to call the school and leave a message. Receiving texts during class disrupts the classes learning.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy Spring Break. The students will return to school on Monday April 5th.

We look forward to a great month!

Nathan Drytriv

What am I?

What begins with T, ends with T and has T in it?

What has to be broken before you can use it?

What can break, even if you never pick it up or touch it?

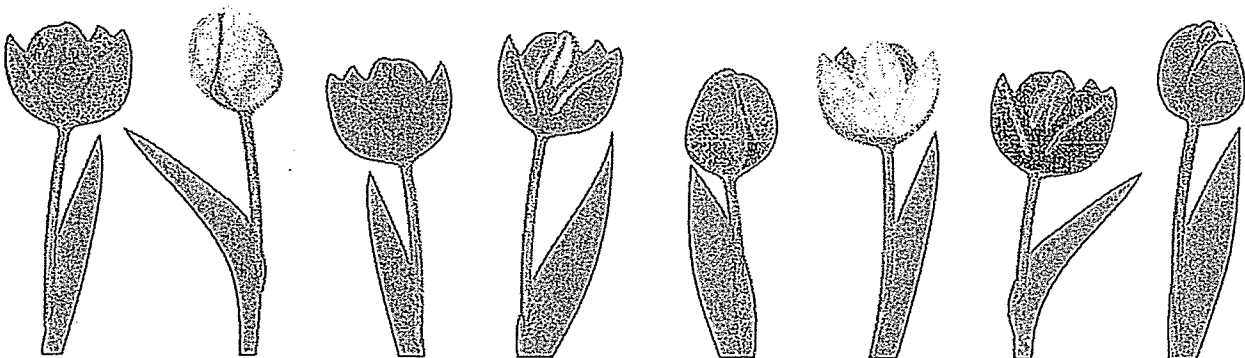
Important Dates:

April 5th First day back from break

April 15th: High School Report Cards go home

April 30th: PD Day— No school

Answers: A teapot, an egg, a promise



Kindergarten

Hello Again!

I hope everyone enjoyed their spring break! The Junior Kindergarten/Kindergarten class had a successful March and are looking forward to the nice weather that is to be expected with April!

The month of March included a few fun days. We made leprechaun traps for St. Patrick's Day. Although we weren't able to catch one, he sure left our classroom in a mess! Our class also participated in the "Purple Day Bunny Hop". It is designed for Preschool and Kindergarten classes to spread awareness of epilepsy. We dressed in purple, hopped like a bunny, and read a story on epilepsy.

In Math, the class finished their "Making 10/Making 20" unit at the beginning of March. Since then, they have been working through their "Adding and Subtracting to 10" unit and are excited to start their next unit, which is "Shapes"!

In ELA, students have continued to practice letter recognition and letter sounds. We have also started our "Rhyming" unit and continuing to journal.

In Science, we have wrapped up our "Four Seasons and Weather" unit and are making progress in our "Body Parts" unit. Next to come is our unit on "Food and Nutrition".

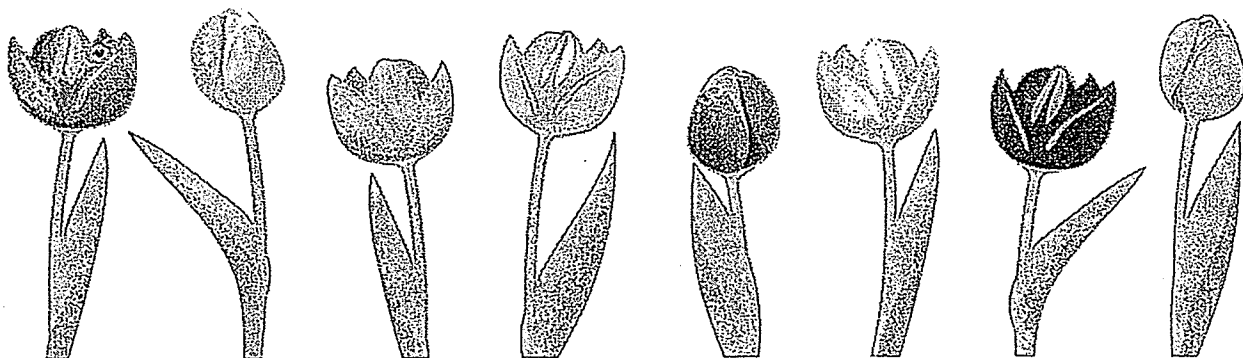
In Social Studies, the class finished their unit on "Rules" and they are coming to the end of their "Transportation" unit. We will then be learning about "Community Helpers".

In French, students are learning how to count to 10.

Until next time, take care!

Sincerely,

Miss. Kohlman and the Junior Kindergarten/Kindergarten Class



Grade 1 & 2

We are still busy in Grade 1/2! In Math we are working on 2D and 3D Shapes and are still practicing our subtraction and mental math.

Something new in ELA is we are writing independently for 15 minutes each day to work on our writing skills. Each day they are given a writing prompt to work with, to help them practice writing about a large variety of things using different forms. We are still working on our reading every day as well. In science we are just finishing up the Characteristics of Materials and will start the Water Cycle after spring break. We will also be wrapping up our learning about Iqaluit in Social Studies soon and start looking at how we can connect with others.

I hope everyone has a great spring break!

Julia Kreutzer

Grade 3 & 4

This month we have been working hard learning division, using repeated subtraction, equal groups, problem solving, etc. We continue to practice our multiplication skills as well.

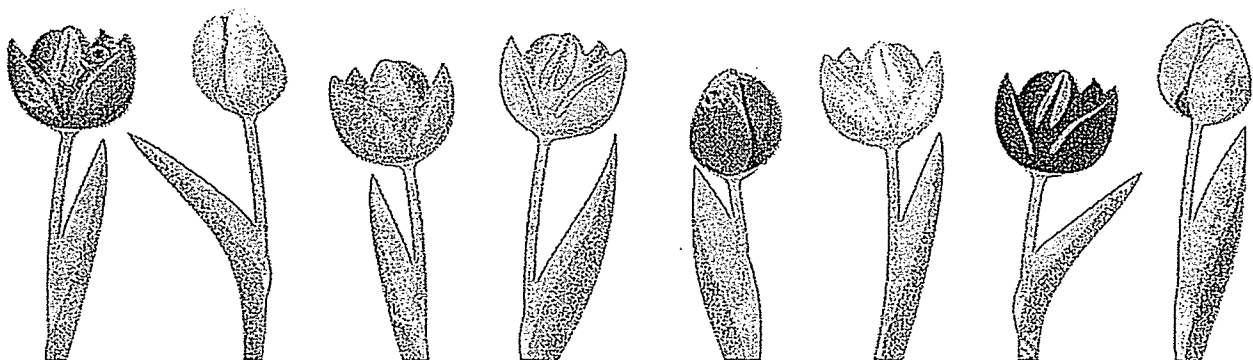
In ELA we enjoyed St. Patrick's Day writing activities and poetry. We started a new novel for novel study, *Harry Potter*. Which everyone is really enjoying. We will soon be starting our unit on poetry.

We've been busying in science learning about sound. We are sharing our creativity and having fun making guitars for our unit.

Thank you to everyone who participated in parent-teacher interviews.

We hope everyone has a great spring break.

Mrs. Pilatic & the 3/4s.



Grade 5/6 News

The 5/6's have had some busy mornings this month! We have finished our novel study "Hatchet" and will be starting a new novel after we come back from spring break. The class has continued to work on spelling weekly with their test always being at the end of the week. We have started a poetry unit in ELA as well. The class has been learning the criteria of what makes up a limerick, ballad, haiku, and many more types of poems. Then their task was to choose six different types of poems and create their own. They have been fun to read!

The class has started the science unit on "Forces and Simple Machines". So far we have been learning about the different classes of levers, pulleys, wheel and axel, and gears. We have had fun building cars in class and taking them outside to race on the sidewalk.

In math we have started a unit on patterns and T-tables. It is very important that students be practicing their multiplication and division facts, since this will help for this unit.

In French the 5/6's have reviewed vocabulary about school supplies. They are now working on projects about what kind of school supplies they would find in their backpack.

Thank you to everyone who participated in parent-teacher interviews. I hope everyone has a fun and safe Spring Break!

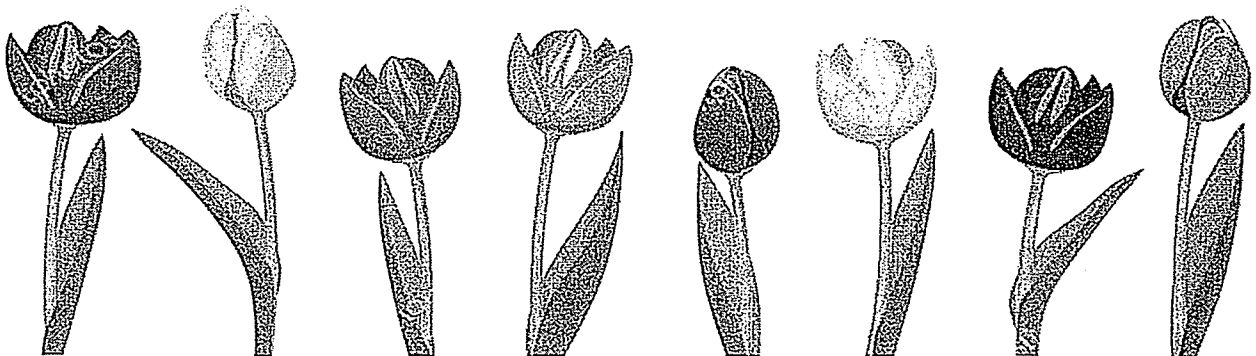
Bye for now,

Miss Smith

March Madness from Mr. Murray's Madhouse

I want to start off my blurb by thanking the parents that took the time to have a video chat or phone call with me at parent-teacher. It is always nice to talk about the growth of your students. If you couldn't make it and would like to chat, send me an email (cmurray@trsd.ca) or call the school. Spring break will soon be upon us. Don't fret parents, I am pretty sure we will take them back this year when it is over. The weather is changing and soon we will start to see green grass. Once that happens, the rest of the year will fly by.

Things are progressing quite well in all of the classes. We are almost at the half way point for the courses and I hope to keep their noses to the grindstone so we don't have a mad rush in June to finish the content. We all know how hard it is to stay in classroom when the weather is nice outside. Just a reminder, that high school report cards go out after spring break, so some students may want to use the time to catch up on missing assignments so they have a mark they can be proud to show everyone. I am hoping to send a list home for every class, so you can ask them what they are missing.



Hello everyone! Can't believe spring break is here! You can easily tell spring is in the air as everyone is happier around the school. Here is what the 7/8's are doing lately.

7/8 Math

In math the 7's are working with circles including area, circumference and diameter. The 8's are working on their surface area coverage on 3D shapes. Here we are also working on our math numeracy awareness and progress has been fantastic!

7/8 Science

In science we are finishing up our coverage of structures and forces. Students are also enjoying their final project where they are designing a structure of their choice. Next we will head into the earth's crust.

7/8 Social Studies

In Social studies we are finishing up the Quality of Life unit. This is the most overwhelming unit in social studies and the students have been handling this unit very well! Next we will head into our coverage of Asia.

Grade 11 Tourism

In we are talking about amazing trips and tourism opportunities that are happening in the Caribbean. The students are making plans for trips to do once COVID is over! (Hopefully)

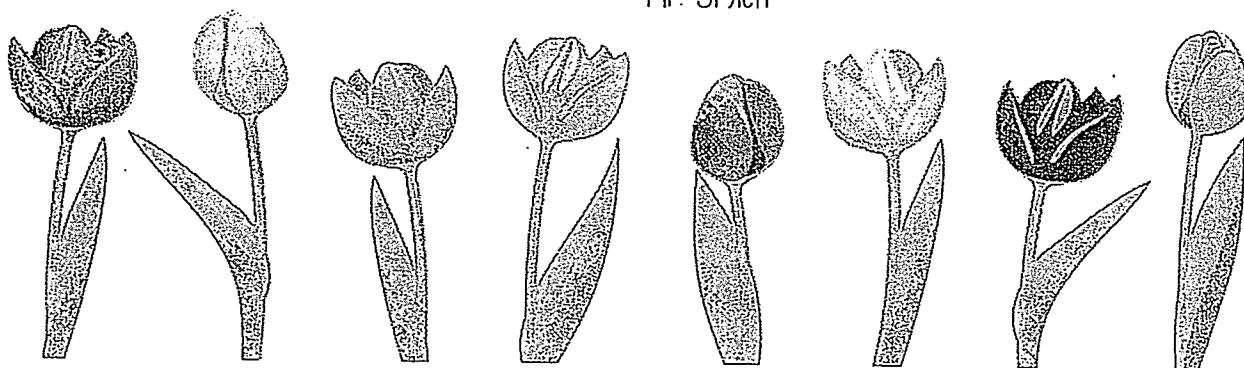
Mr. Lowry

The Eagle Screech

This month all grades worked on their badminton skills in Phys Ed. Class. Students are really enjoying playing a variety of doubles and singles game. It has been quite the learning curve for everyone as it has been almost 2 years since the last time some of them have picked up a racquet. Mini-badminton started this past week at lunch and will continue into April. Grade 7-12 have also been getting some extra time in at lunch to work on their badminton skills.

In grade 9 science we finished the reproduction unit and are now working on the chemistry unit: "Atoms and Element".

Mr. Smith

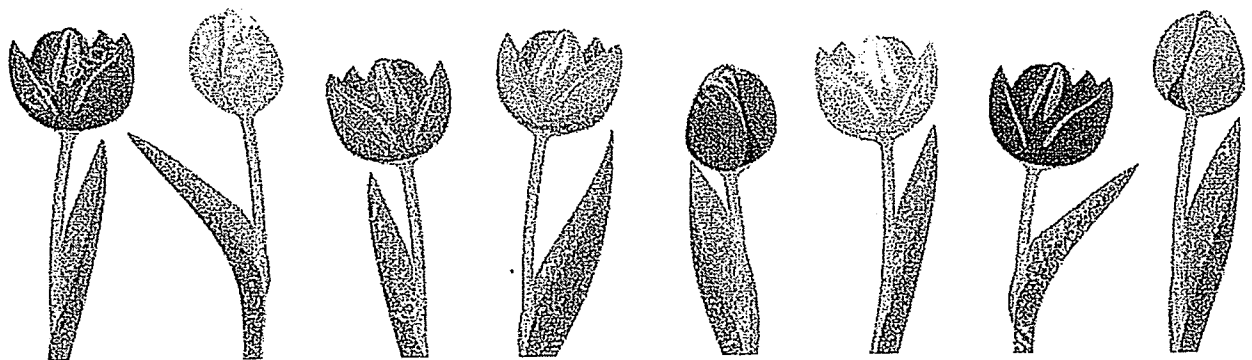


March has been a busy month for everyone in Glenella School, especially with March Break just around the corner! In Grade 7/8 ELA students have been flexing their creative thinking processes and writing skills in creating various thematic poetry and discovering new information about various countries around the world in our first-ever Travel Expo. Meanwhile in Grade 10 English students also developed their literary analysis and creative writing skills through free-form and structured poetry writing. Currently, they are finishing March off on a creative upswing by studying and creating personal narratives before delving after March Break into the literary world of novellas with "Of Mice and Men".

The crossover with Grade 9/10 Reading is Thinking has resulted in students exploring possibilities for life after high school with various career explorations having occurred in March. We even had a guest speaker, via Zoom, Ms. Strange who currently works in the Alberta Legislature as a Social Media and Communications Assistant. She is also a Ph.D. candidate in Law at the University of Reading on top of already having acquired a Master of Law in International Human Rights Law, International Criminal Law, and Public International Law. Ms. Strange shared what is involved with becoming a lawyer and educated us all on our basic human rights. Recently, students have been developing their critical thinking and persuasive speech writing skills by exploring alternate points of view to their own personal opinions on controversial topics such as animals in captivity.

Down the hall in Grade 11 History, we have gone back in time to study various events leading up to 1763 such as the arrival of Europeans and the development of Nouvelle-France, Acadia, the Metis, the Fur Trade, and the Hudson Bay Company. We will soon be broadening our horizons by delving into the historical time period of British North America (1763-1867). With Saturday, March 20, 2021, being the first official day of spring and beautiful weather headed our way March Break will be here and gone before we know it. Once we return to school in April, we have high school report cards to look forward to which also brings us only twelve short weeks away from our last day of classes on June 29th for the 2020-2021 school year.

Happy Spring! - Miss. Barclay



April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Spring-Break 1	Spring-Break 2 Good Friday	3
4	5 Day 4 Jr. Kindergarten	6 Day 5	7 Day 6 Jr. Kindergarten	8 Day 1	9 Day 2 Term #3 Ends Jr. Kindergarten	10
11	12 Day 3 Term #4 Begins	13 Day 4 Jr. Kindergarten	14 Day 5	15 Day 6 High School Report Cards Go Home Jr. Kindergarten	16 Day 1	17
18	19 Day 2 Jr. Kindergarten	20 Day 3	21 Day 4 Jr. Kindergarten	22 Day 5	23 Day 6 Jr. Kindergarten	24
25	26 Day 1 Resource Team Mtg #4	27 Day 2 Jr. Kindergarten	28 Day 3 TRAM Mtg #4	29 Day 4 Jr. Kindergarten	30 PD DAY No school	

March 3, 2021

Important Notice

Regarding Kindergarten Here I Come (KHIC)

Attention Parents and Guardians,

As Manitoba Public Health regulations regarding the spread of COVID-19 continually change and cause uncertainty to rules and scheduling, it is simply not sensible to run this limited timeframe program. The time that students would be in the 10-day program would be monopolized with implementing safety precautions and cancellations. Additionally, our instructor would be placing themselves as well as all of our families and students at risk by moving between communities and schools potentially spreading the virus.

Turtle River School Division has decided to take the precautionary step of suspending the Kindergarten Here I Come (KHIC) for the 2021 school year.

In an abundance of caution and safety for students in and out of schools, we have made this difficult decision to ensure safety. We want to let parents, guardians, and families know well ahead of our early April program start. The safety and health of students, families, and staff members is our top priority. We want you to know that we still believe strongly in the Kindergarten Here I Come Program and if it were not for safety it would be running. Early years programming is important in supporting student success early and we continue to offer fulltime Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten (*Laurier and Glenella Schools*) in the 2021/2022 school year. Moving forward as children become vaccinated we know that our KHIC program can be restarted safely in the future.

Thank you for your understanding.

Turtle River School Division