

GLENELLA SCHOOL

April 2023

Principal's Message:

Spring is here!! We are enjoying the weather and look forward to see the snow leave the playground. We finish March with a spirit week. Thank you to the elementary teachers for planning the dress up days and activities. Thank you to Parent Council for having Sloppy Joes today! Lunch was delicious!

Badminton is in full swing and April is full of both senior high and junior games. We are taking part in Day of Pink and Earth Day in April. Please watch your student's agendas for notes about upcoming plans.

I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing Spring Break!! See you all in April!!

Upcoming Events:

April 3: Back to Class

April 7: No School (Good Friday)

April 13: Day of Pink

April 13: High School Report Cards

April 20: Earth Day Activities

April 21: No School (PD Day)



KINDERGARTEN NEWS

I'm not sure where March has gone, but here we are, getting ready for Spring break!

We spent lots of time this month working on math games. Our focus was on sorting, patterns, and shapes. We will be spending more time with shapes this coming month and the Kinders will start to work more with story problems.

We made lots of rainbow themed art for St. Patrick's Day and talked about how March came in like a lamb. Not fully looking forward to spring break if it goes out like a lion, but here's hoping that saying isn't true this year.

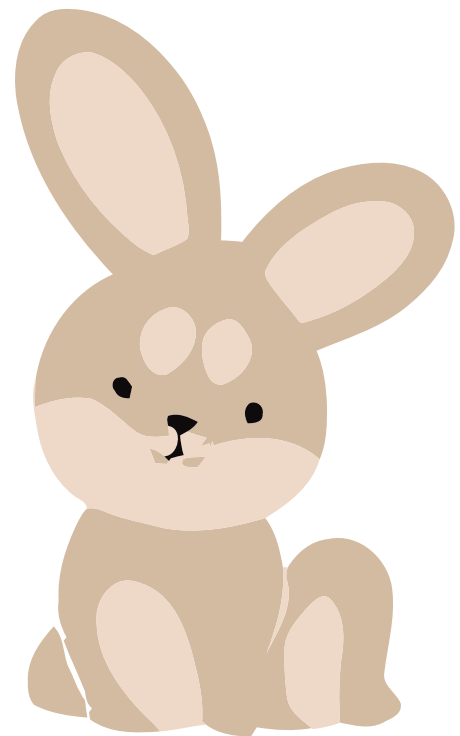
A reminder to parents to please make sure kids are dressed appropriately for recess. With spring ahead and things (hopefully) melting soon, some extra clothes might be in order to avoid soggy children.

Some upcoming events to take note of for April:

Good Friday (April 7th), Easter (April 9th), Day of Pink (April 13th), Earth Day (April 22nd) and no school on April 21st as the teachers will be spending the day learning instead!

Hope you have a wonderful Spring break. See you in April!

Mrs. Sacharko



GRADE 1/2

Oh the fun we had in March! We got to wrap up one of my favourite units in Science after a lot of hands on fun. We have now finished up Properties of Solids, Liquids and Gases but not before we got to make Oobleck, ice cream and butter! After our break we will begin our unit on Air and Water in the Environment which is the perfect unit for spring!

In Social Studies we have continued our deep dive into learning all about the northern community of Iqaluit. Next we will move on to learning more about our Canadian community.

In ELA we are starting to develop our writing even more, now that we have brushed up on our conventions of writing such as complete sentences and capital letters we are working on creating super sentences with details to get ready for our April unit on fairy tales. That is where the magic will really happen, when we put it all together to create our own fairy tales.

In Math we are mastering our subtraction skills in both grades. Our Grade 1 class is working on subtraction to 20, while Grade 2 is working with numbers up to 100. Up next we will be learning all about patterns.

Coming up in the month of April we are excited to participate in Agriculture in the Classroom Manitoba's Great Canadian Farm Tour! We will also be celebrating the Day of Pink which raises awareness for bullying on April 13, and will spend the week learning about kindness and how our actions make a difference. The week of April 20th is Earth Day!

As it begins to get soggy outside, please make sure all students are dressed for the weather. Multiple pairs of mittens are always appreciated!

Happy Spring!
Miss Kreutzer



GRADE 3/4

In ELA, we are have been working on compound words. This month for St. Patrick's Day we did a variety of writing pieces. We have also been working on using a dictionary and learning how they are organized to easily help you find words.

In Math, we are finishing up our unit on telling time. We enjoyed practicing time by playing BINGO, doing write the rooms and I have, who has games. We will be starting multiplication after the break.

We are learning about Manitoba and the history of Manitoba in social studies. We have activities that involve using maps. We are learning about where the first settlements were located in Manitoba and about people who helped shape Manitoba.

This month we had our ski trip and cookie day. A big thank you to Ms. Shamu for baking some delicious cookies. Thank you to all the parents who showed up for Parent Teacher Interviews.

Mrs. Pilatic



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT!

Kids Movie Night @ Glenvilla Senior Centre

March 30 - 7pm

Bring a stuffie and blankets

cost: by donation



GRADE 5/6

In English, we have continued with our unit on figurative language. We have learnt that similes are comparing to objects using the words “like” or “as” and metaphors are comparing objects by saying something “is” something else. Each grade have now read the first few chapters on their novels, “Double Fudge” or “Bridge to Terabithia”.

The 5/6’s have completed our science unit on “Forces and Simple Machines”. The students learnt about the wheel and axle, levers, pulleys, wedges, inclined planes, gears, and screws. Their final assignment was to take all their knowledge and write down the advantages and disadvantages of each simple machine. Then they had to choose which one they would use to move a piano to a second story in a building. The 5/6’s will be starting their next social studies unit “The Fur Trade”.

In math, both grades have been learning about perimeter, area and volume. We have learned many formulas and included these on a cheat sheet. We will be writing our test before Spring Break. Our next unit will be on patterns and t-tables.

In French, the 5/6’s are reviewing animals and learning how say which habitat they belong. We will be creating a poster about an animal and its’ habitat and creating French sentences to explain our pictures.

We have gone to McCreary to attend cross-country skiing lessons this month. The class really enjoyed the trails, especially when there was hills to go down! However, we did not like walking up them as much. Some of our classmates went to Minnedosa to go down-hill skiing. Once everyone got off the bunny hill, they were flying down the slopes!

I hope everyone has a fantastic Spring Break! Bye for now,

Miss Smith



WITH MR. LOWRY

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 on their conversions of percent, decimals and fractions and how the three work together, while the 8's are working on rates and ratios.

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 Science 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.

Agriculture

We are starting up our coverage on top soil for farming and how to use that top soil so generations past us can still use that same top soil.

Mr. Lowry



WITH MISS BARCLAY

March was a busy month for everyone in Glenella School, especially with the first day of spring and March break close together on the calendar! In Grade 7/8 ELA students spent most of March exploring their poetic talents. To wind down the month students refined their writing skills and improved their writing structures through focused workshops and team building opportunities in class. Not only will April bring a new energy to our students but also a refreshing new novel study unit for both of our grade 7 and 8 classes.

Meanwhile in Grade 10 English students finished their "Tears of a Tiger" novel study and explored new presentation methods for structured writing by completing writing assignments using music and one-page graphic essays. Students also began to explore leadership roles this semester by practicing their vocal talents through a reading buddy program with pre-K and Kindergarten students. These same students are also the ones who are excelling in Digital Pictures by exploring creative points of view, styles, and elements of photography. March break will provide wonderful opportunities for our photography students to explore the world around them through the exploration of nature and their camera lenses.

Last but not least, our fabulous American History students spent the month exploring the rising tensions between the British-French rivalry in North America which served as a bridge into their study of the tumultuous history of the American Revolution. The last week of March students transitioned into the 1800's with a focus on westward territorial expansion. Each day our students find new ways to critique and discuss historical events and points of view not previously thought of before. How exciting!

With 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 roughly twelve short weeks away from our last day of classes on June 29th for the 2022-2023 school year. Before we know it our final newsletter of the year will be going home and summer will once again reign supreme!

Miss. Barclay



"Today a reader, tomorrow a leader"
- Margaret Fuller

FROM THE CLUTTERED DESK OF MR. MURRAY

Spring Break is here, or more accurately, just around the corner at the time this article is being written. I would like to start off this entry with a big thank you to all the parents that came out for parent teacher. It was great to have a chance to discuss how the students are doing in my classes. If you did not have a chance to get in to see me, and you would like to discuss your student's progress, feel free to send me an email (cmurray@trsd.ca) or phone the school (204-352-4253) and I will try to answer all of your questions.

This is a busy time of year for both staff and students. I am hoping to get some units wrapped up before the week off. Fingers crossed the Chemistry crew will have finally had their test. Covid threw a real wrench in our plans in the middle of March. We are currently endeavoring to learn all there is to know about the internal make up of atoms. It is real edge of your seat material. Grade 9 Math will continue to trudge along, hopefully we can get those last few units (or modules) covered in the next few months. Grade 10 math classes are both pacing themselves quite well. Applied is going to start their study of Linear Functions in the next few days and we will be spending a lot of time on this topic. Essentials has almost finished learning about area (on both 2D and 3D objects!) and we will press on to do a quick study of Capacity and Temperature next. The Grade 12 Math class has done a great job learning about Polygons for the last few weeks and now we are going to spend some time with Trigonometry. The 12 Essentials have also begun to do their Career Life Project. This project is a fantastic way for the potential graduates to learn about some careers that may have piqued their interest over the last few years. They will get to focus on two careers and discover what type of post-secondary training they will need to reach this goal. History class is going to continue our study of our great nation, after Spring Break we will learn about our contributions during World War 1. This also means we will be having a test in April. It is never too late to make sure your Chapter questions are completed and corrected before that test.

Badminton is in full swing. Our team may be small this season, but we are going to do great things this season. We have a couple exhibition games scheduled in April (the 5th and 12th). These will provide the athletes with some great experience before we head to sectionals in Sandy Bay on April 24th. Hopefully with some hard work they will all have the chance to make the trip to Swan River April 27th.



THE EAGLE SCREECH



With winter officially over our winter activities wrap up for the year.

The grade 3-6 classes have been working on their badminton skills all month and have finished their unit with a variety of games getting ready for Mini-Badminton which started up this week.

DBL ball has been a very successful intramural this month, lots of participation and lots of red faces at the end of the games. It was nice to see some new faces come out to intramurals who haven't been out yet. Badminton is the next intramural being offered.

In athletics, both senior and junior badminton teams have been busy practicing. They will both be competing in exhibition matches throughout the month of April. The senior players will be playing in the South sectionals on April 24th in Sandy Bay to qualify for zones which will be on April 27th in Swan River. The junior players will play in the divisional tournament on April 26th in Ste. Rose and McCreary.

This month was "Medal March" here in Glenella as our trophy case got 2 new additions to it. The beginning of the month saw the Jr Girls Basketball team win the championship tournament on March 1st. The girls started off the day winning their semi-final game against Ste. Rose 29-17 and finished the day beating McCreary 44-18 in the finals. A week later one of the girl's rinks for curling won the Jr. Girls Divisional curling bonspiel. Great job everyone!

In Science, we just finished the unit on Reproduction and have started the Atoms and Elements unit. As always if wish to contact me please call the school or email me csmith@trsd.ca



CURLING



We have had a busy month of Junior Curling. This year we had a lot of interest in curling and a lot who were new to the sport. During noon hour practices we worked on throwing the correct turns, proper deliver, sweeping and skipping. Everyone seemed to enjoy curling and caught on very quickly.

We sent 4 teams to divisionals in McCreary, 2 girls teams and 2 boys teams. Congratulations to our girls team, Mylee Mitchler, Kaytee Mitchler, Emma Tait and Adria Kjartanson for placing first at divisionals.

Big thank you to Mitch who helped out with Junior Curling.

ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Kaytee Mitchler on being the athlete of the month. Kaytee is a natural curler. She puts in the effort, commitment and demonstrates great technique. I hope to see her on the ice next year, continue to develop her skills.

