

GLENELLA SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Principal Report

The school calendar was full this past month. I am looking forward to spirit week next week and hope the students enjoy the dress up days. This past month we hosted divisional Senior Girls volleyball and students and staff wore their Eagles gear to support our girls team. The grade 11 and 12 went to Ste. Rose October 26 to take part in the Post-Secondary Tour for the parkland area. All of the Manitoba colleges and universities were represented and the students chose sessions that interested them. Thank you Ste. Rose for hosting.

The November calendar is filling up as well. A few dates to keep in mind are Picture Retake Nov 2, Remembrance Day Ceremony Nov. 10, Parent Teacher Interviews Nov. 23 and 24 and Nov. 29 Junior Divisional Volleyball in Glenella and McCreary.

Reminder that with the weather becoming colder students do need to be dressed appropriately for being outside at recesses and noon hour. If your child/ren are going to be absent please call the school and speak to a staff member or leave a message on the answering machine. Students require a bus note if they are being transported on a different bus to an alternate place, this includes town students. For students in grades K-6 please write a note in the agenda if you are picking your child up at the end of the day. We are hoping to minimize confusion for staff and students during dismissal.

Lauren Frohwerk



Upcoming Events

Nov. 2: Picture Retake Day

Nov. 10: Remembrance Day

Service @ 11

Nov. 20: Report Cards go Home

Nov. 23/24: Parent Teacher

Nov. 24: No Class - Admin Day

Kinder & Grade 1 with Miss K

Where did October go! We stayed busy all month with a variety of seasonal activities. We learned all about the four seasons and the changes that comes with them, for people and animals! We learned about animals we can find in Manitoba and will be starting a unit learning about the beaver! As a part of our Science we got to enjoy a virtual presentation from Parks Manitoba and got to ask an expert all of our questions about what animals do for the winter season. Our next Science unit is combining with Art, and we are learning all about colours. In Social Studies we have started a unit on All About Me and are learning about all the neat things that make us unique. Stay tuned because we will have some themed show and tell days coming up for that!

In ELA we have been working on building up our reading and writing skills. Kindergarten has made their way halfway through the alphabet identifying letters and their matching sound. For Grade 1 it has been a nice refresher as they work on putting all the sounds together into words. Home reading is going awesome and it has been great to see so many young readers excited to take home books to share with their families. In writing we have been working on representing ideas with a good picture, this includes a background, details and colour. We will be focusing on labelling and also poetry in the next little bit.

In Math we have been steadily working on counting, writing and recognizing our numbers. We started into measurement with comparing bigger and smaller items, and will continue working on measuring items.

In the coming months, please make sure your student is equipped for the weather. We are coming into the winter temperatures, and are working on integrating more outdoor education into our lives at school. That is only possible when kids are dressed appropriately.

Have a great November!

Miss Kreutzer



Grade 2/3/4

This month we welcomed Miss. Miller back to our classroom. She will be student teaching in our room for the next few weeks.

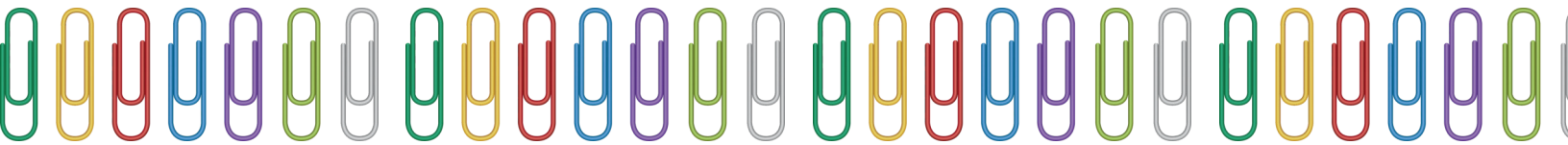
In ELA, we finished our novel, "The Mouse and the Motorcycle". We enjoyed watching the movie. We continue to work on our weekly spelling, journal and cursive. Each week we also enjoy a variety of centres to practice our reading, writing and word practice. We also enjoyed a variety of Halloween writing activities.

In math, we have been working on addition and subtraction with regrouping and borrowing. Everyone has been doing a great job and catching on quickly. We practice our weekly mental math skills with warm up games.

This month, we finished our social studies unit, Exploring the World. We spent time learning about our continents, oceans and hemispheres. Each student researched a country of their choice and created a poster that they presented to their classmates about their country. Miss Miller will be starting our science unit next week on Structures and Materials.

We created a variety of different art pieces for Halloween. Next week we will be enjoying some fun Halloween activities.

Mrs. Pilatic



REMINDER

Glenella School is a nut free zone!

Please ensure that all snacks and treats sent to school are peanut and tree nut free



Grade 5/6 News

We have been very busy in English. The 5/6's have learnt the parts of what makes a good story and used this knowledge to create their own Halloween stories. We look forward to sharing our stories once everyone is finished! The grade 5's have been reading the novel "The Summer of Riley" and the grade 6's have been reading the novel "My Side of the Mountain". The 5/6's have also been completing spelling work and writing their tests at the end of the week. Everyone needs to remember to take home their spelling to practice!

The 5/6's completed their first science unit on "Diversity of Living Things". We have now started our social studies unit on "Building a Nation". So far we have learnt why Manitoba decided to join Confederation and they have split into partners to do a research project on when and why the other provinces decided to join as well.

In math, both grades have almost completed their unit on fractions. We know how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominators, how to make equivalent fractions, how to reduce fractions, and how to compare fractions by making the denominators the same. We have had to do lots of multiplication and division in this unit, which had been great for our mental math skills!

The 5/6's will be carving pumpkins for Halloween and participating in the Halloween Spirit Week dress up days. They have been doing lots of Halloween art like creating spooky houses, silly pumpkins, and even Frankensteins! I hope everyone had a safe and spooky Halloween!

Bye for now,

Miss Smith



With Miss Barclay

This October was a blur of activity! Reflecting back on the month students in grades 7 and 8 English Language Arts students used their time to further develop their reading comprehension, vocabulary, and grammar skills by studying October's mystic season. The end of October was a great transition for our study of the Salem Witch Trials because students were able to take their knowledge of Halloween traditions and history and use it in a cross-curricular study with Science class to problem solve creative solutions in carving their own pumpkins. On Halloween we will wrap up our festive unit with an analysis of modern adaptations of historical events in Salem, Massachusetts!

This month Grade 7 and 8 students were also provided with the opportunity to participate in a workshop for "Skilled Trades and Technology Careers" offered by Skills Canada - Manitoba. Students learned about building their careers in the trades and which trades are currently the most in demand. (The answer: all of them!) With their goal "to attract young Manitobans to careers in skilled trades and technology" check out their website for more information. (<https://skillsmanitoba.ca/>)

These same Grade 7/8 students have excelled in demonstrating growth in their skills in both French and Art. This month has been structured around the upcoming Halloween holiday and students in French created their own educational review game to help them study their new vocabulary for assessments. While in Art class we have shifted our focus from colour wheels and skill development to the first student led creative project of the year with symbolic focus on the theme of remembrance for November 11th.

"2023 marks the 75th anniversary of United Nations peacekeeping. Canada has a long history of helping defend and maintain peace around the world. More than 125,000 Canadian Armed Forces members have served in international peacekeeping efforts in dozens of countries. We recognize and remember their courage, service and sacrifice."
(<https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance>)

CONTINUED

With Miss Barclay (again)

Meanwhile in Geographic Issues of the 21st Century students in grades 9 and 10 were busy exploring the geography of Canada using scientific structures and explanations of the earth to analyze soil composition and climate factors. As October draws to a close we are transitioning into our next unit focused on cultural connections beginning with a study of population and settlement with a sub-focus on "First Nations: The Treaty Process".

The Grade 9 and 10 classes were also treated to a worker's safety presentation by guest speakers from Safe Work Manitoba which tied beautifully into our studies in Life Works where we have been exploring career options and safe work standards. Post-secondary decisions will be here for our grade 9/10 students' sooner than we think so we have started to explore various post-secondary paths and possible areas of interest in class. An important part of career exploration has also involved learning about various workplace environments, preferences, and employability skills.

With October's spirit week kicking off Halloween and launching us into our first week of November we are looking forward to continued student involvement in all of the activities that are offered for engagement in the school community and that provide our students with leadership opportunities. Watch out November, we're coming in hot!

Miss. Barclay!

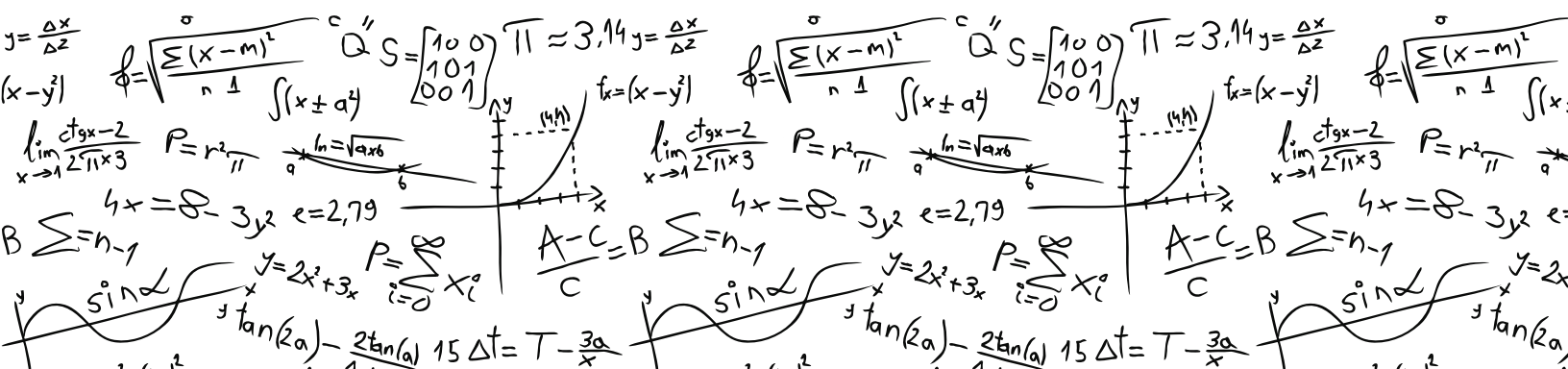
Please encourage your student to build the habit of submitting their work in a timely manner to avoid the avalanche of procrastination that can sometimes hit around this time of year. Friendly reminder, Parent-Teacher Conferences are November 23rd and November 24th. These two days are a great opportunity to reach out to your student's teachers and conference about your student's growth this term and goals for the future.



Math Class Musings from Mr. Murray

Well another season of Trick or Treating is upon us. Hopefully, everyone made a costume that fits over a snowsuit! The end of October means that we are nearing the half-way point of the term. Report cards will be coming out soon and Parent-Teacher interviews will follow closely after that. Have a chat with your student to see how they are doing. If they do not know their mark, get them to have a chat with me and I will fill them in. If you have concerns, there is no need to wait until November. Feel free to contact me whenever you need to, my email is always available (cmurray@trsd.ca). For students that are at risk I will be reaching out shortly so you are not surprised on November 20th.

Reading is Thinking has almost wrapped up their novel/movie study. We need to have a class vote to determine which movie to watch and then we will begin our research project. This group has been impressive with their work ethic and dedication this term. I am excited to see their finished work product! In Grade 9 Math, we are studying equations and will be focusing on them for the next several weeks. Grade 11 Physics will continue to study dynamics. Grade 12 math is inching closer to their provincial exams. Applied will focus on Permutations and Combinations, tackling the age-old question of why a combination lock is actually a permutation. Essentials is nearing the end of our trigonometry adventure. The Essentials group will be given some time class time in the near future to work on their Career Life Project. This project is a major part of their term mark and I recommend they start working on it outside of class. It is always a good idea to have it completed before Christmas Break so that the short time in January can be spent on exam preparation.



A Message from PAC

Hello parents! Another school year is under way and the parent advisory council is up and running. We are always looking for new members to come out to our meetings. We have a facebook page (Glenella School PAC) where we post our meeting dates.

Our newest fundraiser will be sent out soon. It is aimed at making your Christmas shopping a breeze! The Fundscrip gift card fundraiser forms will be sent home in the next couple days. Please keep it in mind when you are thinking about your Christmas shopping.

Parent Advisory Council

President: Branden Howe

Secretary/Treasurer: Abby Mayuk

Email: glenellaschoolpac@gmail.com

Feel free to contact us if you have any questions or suggestions.



**GLENELLA EAGLES ARE LOOKING FOR
VOLUNTEER COACHES FOR THE GIRLS
SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAM AND THE
JUNIOR BASKETBALL TEAM.**

Please email: Mr. Smith – csmith@trsd.ca
or Mrs. Frohwerk – lfrohwerk@trsd.ca
if you're interested.

The Eagle Screech



Dodgeball intramurals will conclude at the beginning of November. Volleyball is the intramural being offered next and will run until the stage goes up in December. Earlier this month the 11/12 Phys Ed class hiked the Gorge Creek Trail in Riding Mountain National Park. Aside from a small amount of precipitation it was a lovely fall day and great exercise. The elementary classes have started working on their mini-volleyball skills and In science we just started the chemistry unit talking about naming chemicals and ionic bonds.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at the school or via email csmith@trsd.ca

Chris Smith

Senior Girls Volleyball Report

The senior girls volleyball team has been very busy this month. We have been developing our skills in practices every Tuesday and Thursday, plus have games at least once a week. They played in divisionals and placed third in the tournament. Maizy Scott received MVP for Glenella. Congrats on this well-deserved award, Maizy! All of the girls have proven they have developed greatly over this short period of time. They have mastered their rotation and positions, have made high passes to the setter, and have increased their amount of serves going over the net. The girls will be attending a tournament in Ste Rose on November 3rd and 4th. Good luck, ladies!

Coach Lindsay Smith

