

Glenella School Newsletter

December 2023

Principal's Report

I can't believe that it is almost December. Thank you to everyone that came out for parent teacher interviews, it was nice to see everyone. If you were unable to make it last week but have questions or concerns please reach out to your child's teacher.

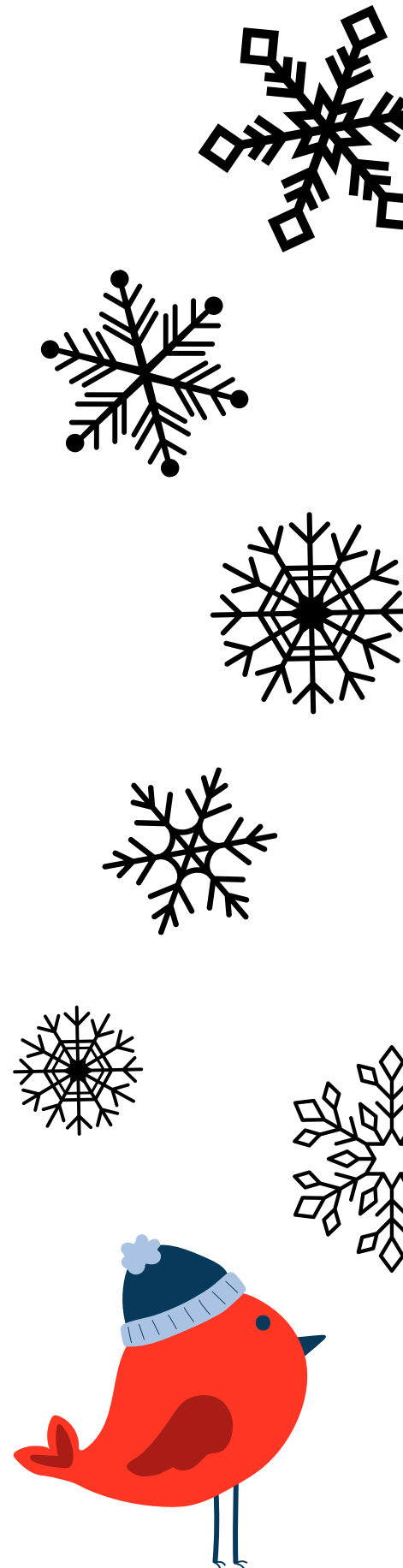
The school is hosting junior boys volleyball divisionals on Wednesday November 29th and the PAC is having a hot lunch fundraiser that day as well. December is bustling with preparations for the Christmas concert on December 14th and we will finish off the month on December 22nd with the Christmas breakfast.

As the weather starts to be more seasonal, I remind parents that students will be going outside for recess and lunch hour and need to dress appropriately for the conditions.

Parents please call the school if you student will be absent from school. A reminder for bus notes, please write in the agenda if your student will not be on the bus after school or if there is a change from their regular routine. If your student is in grade 7-12 we trust they can inform their homeroom teacher or the office. If your child is needing to take the bus or take a different bus the bus note form needs to be filled out and given to the office in the morning.

Reminder to all parents that drop off and pick up their children do not enter to school parking lot between 8:40 and 8:50 in the morning and between 3:20 and 3:40 after school. Arrival and dismissal times are very busy and we want to limit the congestion in the school parking lot during these times.

Look forward to a great month!



Kindergarten & Grade 1

Goodness time flies, in K/1 we have been busy as ever. In the month of November we recognized Remembrance Day and our class presented both a poem and song at our school Remembrance Day service and they did an excellent job. This month we also had a virtual presentation from Oak Hammock Marsh on animals we can find over and under the water in a marsh.

In Social Studies we learned about ourselves, we created all about me books and learned about the groups we belonged to. We all enjoyed sharing our photos of groups we belonged to with our class. In Science we have just started learning about the colours including hues, shades and how colours mix.

In Math we have been expanding on our number sense and are dipping our toes into the world of addition and are still at working on all of our reading and writing skills. We have also added Christmas Concert practice into our day.

I would like to thank Janelle Henton, Chris Smith and Branden Howe for their donations to our classroom! They are much appreciated.

It was great seeing everyone for parent teacher, if you have any questions or concerns before the next one, feel free to contact me at the school or send me an email at jkreutzer@trsd.ca

Miss Kreutzer



Grade 2/3/4

It is hard to believe another month has come and gone. This past month we finished our addition and subtraction units in math, which included money. We practiced addition and subtraction with regrouping and borrowing. We went the over the values of our Canadian coins, learning how to create given amounts and count back change. We are now starting our unit on multiplication.

In ELA, we spent the first part of the month rehearsing "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae for our Remembrance Day ceremony. We are wrapping up our reader's theatre, "Zoom", by Robert Munsch. We continue to work on our weekly spelling and cursive. This month we started reading over our lines for our upcoming Christmas concert.

In Science we finished our unit with Miss. Miller on Materials and Structures. We enjoyed a variety of hands of activities including making a rollercoaster and bridge. This month we will be starting a new unit on, Forces that attract and repel.

Everyone created some great art pieces for Remembrance Day and now we are working on some winter art. We are also looking forward to starting some fun Christmas art and decorations this month.

Thank you to all those who came out for parent-teacher interview.

Mrs. Pilatic



Grade 5/6 News

In English, the grade 5's have been continuing to read the novel "The Summer of Riley" and the grade 6's have been continuing reading the novel "My Side of the Mountain". We have been reviewing and practicing proper grammar techniques like using periods and other forms of punctuation, commas and quotation marks in our writing. The class has learned how to write a "How To" paragraph. They have written about how to decorate a Christmas tree by giving detailed steps. 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 social studies unit on "Building a Nation". We are now in the middle of our next science unit which is on "Flight". We have been doing lots of activities in class like creating different objects to fly and we have even learnt how to make our own spray bottles! We will be creating kites very soon and will be flying them outside.

In math, the grade 5's had been learning about decimals. They know place value up to the ten thousandths and can add and subtract decimals. It is important to line up the decimals when doing this task! They are now tackling 2 by 2 multiplication and long division. There are many steps to remember, but they are getting the hang of it! The grade 6's have been reviewing these topics, but have also done units on ratios and percents. They are now learning about multiples and factors.

In French, the 5/6's have been reviewing months and days of the week. We have been asking each other when our birthdays are and reviewing numbers by answering this question.

The elementary classes have started practicing for the Christmas concert. Many of our classmates have lines to learn and we enjoy singing the songs for the play. This is going to be a big focus the next couple of weeks. We hope to see everyone come out and watch us perform!

Bye for now,

Miss Smith

The Eagle Screech



With winter just around the corner the senior sports have changed seasons. Basketball and Curling are about to start practices.

The curling season is short but luckily the ice is in earlier this year.

Curling action will take place in McCreary on January 17th with the

Divisional tournament followed by the Zone Championship on January 26th & 27th. The senior basketball teams are short on numbers but we are still going to run skill development sessions during the season.

Volleyball intramurals wrap up this week for grades 7-12 and soccer baseball signup is currently in the works. The grade 11/12 class travelled to Neepawa on November 15th to check out Grit Force Fitness's brand new facility. The students did a workout with the head coach and then got to check out some of the machines. It was a great experience enjoyed by everyone. The grade 3-6 classes all just finished working on their volleyball skills and Mini-volleyball intramurals for grades 3-6 will run until the end of December. The 5-8 students are currently in the middle of their unit on handball and will eventually transition into curling. In science we are just concluding our chemistry unit after performing a number of labs.

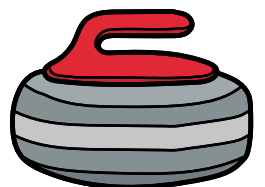
As always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at the school or via email csmith@trsd.ca



Community Curling

Anybody interested in curling this winter in Glenella please text or call Leonard at 204-841-0701 to enter your rink.

Don't have a team but still want to curl? Let us know and we'll find a fit for you.



Athlete of the Month



Athlete of the month goes to Morgan Mayuk! Morgan played on the senior girls volleyball team. She was a dedicated player who always came to practices ready to learn new skills and would bring ideas to try for new drills. Morgan played middle this season, which she learnt last year and continued to develop and grow in this position this year. Morgan is a strong passer and has been working on getting her passes high to the setter. She enjoys hitting and has been focusing on jumping and her approach. Morgan was the captain this year due to her dedication and eagerness to help JV players with new positions and technique. Congratulations on this award, Morgan!



Junior Volleyball

We have had a busy month of Junior Volleyball. The junior mixed team have been practicing during noon hour and have had after school games against McCreary, Alonsa, Ste. Rose and Laurier. We have been working hard on our serving and passing to the setter, and now are trying to use these skills to play out scrimmages. The athletes have shown much improvement and commitment to their team.

Glenella's mixed team will be hosting boys/mixed divisionals November 29th. Good luck to our team! Hopefully we can see some familiar faces cheering us on!

Big thank you to our high school students who have come to practices and games to help.

