



# Glenvar Globe

Glenvar Elementary School

Issue 2

October 2011

## Mark Your Calendars

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All students are encouraged to participate in this year's **Reflections Program**. It's a great opportunity to let your creativity shine! See [page 4](#) for more information.

### Join us on Facebook!

GES PTA has a Facebook page to keep you up-to-date with GES news, volunteer opportunities and upcoming events! "Join" our group today: **Glenvar Elementary School PTA**

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### OCTOBER

- 10th GES Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day!
- 11th PTA: 7 pm, Parent Resource Night
- 18th Skate Night, 6-8 pm, GES and Friends
- 21st Reflections Deadline!
- 24th Red Ribbon Week, Oct 24-28th!
- 25th Movie Night: "Spooky Buddies", 6:30 pm  
GES Cafeteria, Bring a snack and blanket!



### NOVEMBER

- 1st PTA: 7 pm, 2nd Grade Music Program
- 18th School Play, 7 pm, GES Gym
- 22nd Movie Night: "Cars 2", 6:30 pm, GES Cafeteria
- 28th Book Fair!! Lasts through Dec. 9th!

### DECEMBER

- 13th PTA: 7 pm, 5th Grade Music Program

**TO THE FAIR AND BEYOND!**  
Reading Is Out of This World!

## Thank You for Supporting the Fall Festival

The Fall Festival of 2011 was a success and it was because we all worked together to provide a fun-filled day for all our children. Thank you to everyone who made donations to help support the Fall Festival. Thanks to all of you who baked such delicious treats for the Bake Sale. Everything looked so yummy! We also want to thank all of our volunteers who helped with the games. The kids had a great time and we couldn't have done it without you all! Thank you for joining us at the Fall Festival this year and we hope to see you again next year for an even better time!



### New Counselor Is Busy!

I have the pleasure of being the Guidance Counselor for Glenvar Elementary. I am absolutely thrilled to be at Glenvar. My kids went through Ft Lewis to Glenvar High and I have missed being involved in the Glenvar community—now here I am, involved again in a very different way. Please stop by my office and introduce yourself next time you are in the building.

The teachers have chosen our Peer Mediators for 2011-2012. They are: Zachary Chittum, Justice Forrester, Camryn Lovelave, Andrea Henderson, Autumn Mitchell, Olivia Nicholson, Natale Saikhanbayer and Tait Wilson. This is quite an honor. These students will be trained in early October then will be ready to help other students with problems or disputes. In my experience, this is a very valuable program and helps to show the children how to solve problems with others.

Classroom guidance has begun. We will have four session in each room in the fall and again in the spring. This is a great way for me to get to know the kids and for the kids to get more comfortable with me.

Additionally, I will be running lunch groups for various topics, including family changes (divorce and separations) friendship groups, anger management and grief groups. If this is something that you think your child could benefit from, please call me or let his/her teacher know.

GES Guidance and Mrs. Bowman’s room is teaming up to do a monarch butterfly program. Lowe’s donated bushes and Mrs. Bowman is expecting the monarch butterfly eggs to arrive any day. Besides studying the life cycle of the butterfly, we hope to team up with the University of Kansas and become a monarch way and monitoring station. We are not only fired up but we are taking off!



So, please stop by, or give me a call if there is anything I can do for you or your child. I am truly looking forward to helping in any way that I can.

Bonnie Pollock

### SCA

The Glenvar Elementary School SCA has been busy this past month! We recently had our induction ceremony for our new officers. Our officers this year are: *President-Bailey Bennett, Vice President-Campbell Simmons, Secretary-Jacob Auen, Treasurer-Carsen Cain, Historian-Abby Henson, Reporter-Madison Caldwell and Executive Board Officers-Kira Pierce and Maggie Ruble.*



We also have elected our new homeroom representatives and have had our first general meeting to plan our yearly calendar events. We want to also thank our SCA sponsors: Ms. Barger, Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Chamberland and Mr. Fezell.

The SCA will be selling **BOO GRAMS** for only \$0.25 in the cafeteria during lunches on Monday, Oct. 24-Friday, Oct. 28. They will be delivered on Monday, October 31st. Send a Boo Gram to a classmate or teacher and help support the SCA! **Crazy Feet Day** will be on Monday, October 31. Wear crazy socks or shoes that day! (Make sure you bring safe shoes to wear outside and in P.E.)

Don't forget to collect **Box Tops, Campbell's Labels for Education and Tyson Project A+** Clip them, bring them to school and drop them off at a collection box (in the office and by the gym). It's an easy NO COST way to raise funds for our school. Thank you for your support!

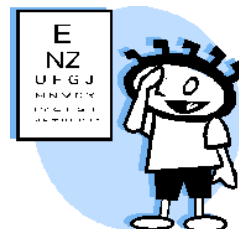


### Vision Screening Day is October 7

School nurses will be doing vision screening on kindergarten and third grade students on Friday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>. If your child wears glasses please be sure he/she wears them on this day and everyday!

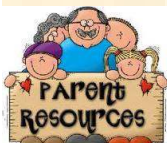
According to a U.S. government survey 64% of children 6 yrs and younger have never had a vision test. Many eye disorders occur very slowly and your child may not complain or be able to express a problem. Some warning signs that your child might need to see an eye doctor include:

1. Has trouble concentrating
2. Loses place while reading
3. Holds reading material closer than seems normal
4. Constantly rubs the eyes
5. Has headaches
6. Turns or tilts the head to see out of one eye
7. Uses a finger to read words on a page
8. Skips over small words when reading
9. Squints
10. Takes a long time to complete homework



Virginia is one of the states that requires vision screenings at specific grade levels in schools, but be aware these screenings should not replace an eye exam.

Your school nurse, Mrs. Southern, RN.



Join us for **Parent Resource Night on October 11th at 7:00 pm!** Enjoy pizza and get information from local programs and services. This year there will be representatives from the Police, Fire Department, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Roanoke County Library and more!



**October 24-28th is Red Ribbon Week**, a week dedicated to teaching our children to be DRUG FREE! There will be lots of fun activities to encourage kids to stay away from drugs and alcohol. Good Character Counts when it comes to staying off drugs! More details coming soon!



### Music News!

Attention 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders: If you have recorders at home, please remember to bring them to music EVERY-DAY. Bring them to school and leave them, or keep them in your book bag.

Attention 3<sup>rd</sup> graders: Be watching for information coming home about ordering your own recorder. All students are highly encouraged to order their own recorder for use during music and at home.

Costume Announcement: For future music programs and PTA plays, please recycle your old Halloween costumes! Donate your unwanted Halloween costumes for use in our school programs to Mrs. Smith, Music. PLEASE no scary or inappropriate costumes. Thanks!

HELP NEEDED: I am in need of a couple of moms (or dads!) that would like to help with 4 music programs during the school year. No experience necessary! Needs would include some easy stage decorating and possibly some light prop construction. Please let me know if you are interested or just need more details before committing.

Mrs. Smith



PTAreflections.org

# PTA® Reflections unleashes your artistic talents

Dance Choreography

Photography

Film Production

Musical Composition

Literature

Visual Arts

2011-2012 Theme: **“Diversity Means...”**

Reflect on the theme. Create an original work. Be recognized.

**Deadline for entries: *Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>***

**For details, contact** Amy Geddes, Phone: 556-3167,  
Email: [ageddes@opnlaw.com](mailto:ageddes@opnlaw.com)

- Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade can submit a new piece of artwork inspired by the theme.
- All participants are required to complete and sign the Student Entry Form.
- Each entry must be the original work of one student only.
- Students must title their works.
- See “General Rules” sheet for more details.

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## CHARACTER COUNTS



### Respect

Devin Glass  
Sarah Henson  
Vinton Mai  
Abram Morris  
Devin Glass  
Sarah Henson  
Vinton Mai  
Abram Morris  
Isabela Gustafson  
Cara Butler  
Nicole Saikhanbayor  
Zoie Austin  
Rachael Brown  
Paige Havens  
Ella Shepherd  
Gabriella Hypes  
Cara Butler  
Jackson Hunter  
Samantha Smithwick  
Damien Weddle  
Riley Montgomery  
T.J. Robertson  
River Smith

### Responsibility

Adrian Sprunger  
Garrison Franco  
Mrs Dix's Class  
Adam Waldron  
Mrs. Anthony's Class  
Zachary Tickle  
Savannah Wimmer  
Hailey Bryant  
Lucas Ball  
Guilana Stanley  
Mrs. Henderson's  
Class  
Cara Butler (2)  
Jacob Snead

Luca Gustafson  
Lydia Taylor  
Jaylin Delby  
Camran Martin  
Ally Hinchee  
Jacob Snead  
Joshua Prilaman  
Isabella Gustafson  
Rachael Holton  
Mackenzie Alford  
Blaine Bishop  
Kyle Hanks  
Madison Caldwell (2)  
EnJie Jones  
Carson Osburn  
Andrew Harshbarger  
Madison Osburn  
Emileigh Smith(2)  
Grace Blackwell  
Austin Shively  
Nikki Collins  
Zach Moore  
Madison Wright  
Tristen Price  
Ethan Fox  
Justice Forster  
Tyler Johnson  
Max Harrison  
Garrett Clower  
Andrew Lester  
Mason Bott  
Dylan Garman  
Casey Martin  
Jacob Auen  
Natale Saikanbayar  
River Smith  
Bob Hicks  
Natalie Perdue

### Caring

Maddie Pruett  
Grant Alderson  
Bradey Loder  
Katie Jarvis Justin  
Thompson  
Camden Freeland  
Blake Bowers  
Kate Jarvis  
Adrianna Hall  
Jake Cline  
Sandra Salinas  
Thomas Peters  
Landin Barton  
Madison Donoho  
Dawson Anderson  
Tyler Pierce  
Hannah Hylton  
Madison Brown  
Scott Wells  
Victoria Graham  
Hannah Hylton  
Tyler Pierce  
Joshua Prillaman  
Jacob Snead  
Mrs Bowman's Class  
Hunter Hartz  
Ally Hinchee  
Hannah Hylton  
Tyler Pierce

### Citizenship

Elijah Carter  
Brianna Sowers  
Jamie Burton  
Hunter Deyerle  
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Jamie Burton  
Hunter Deyerle  
Mac Clapper

Brady Loder  
Jake Stanley  
Peyton Taliaferro  
Tyler Webb  
Ryleigh Acree  
Jonah Baker  
Claire Griffith  
Nicholas Williams  
Emma Speight  
Tucker Henderson  
Royce Pierson  
Hannah Hylton  
Tyler Pierce  
Victoria Graham  
Lance Patsel  
Brooklyn Woolwine  
Zach Clark  
Andrew Lester  
Jasmine Hengli  
Garrett Clower  
Max Harrison  
Nicole Bott  
Taylor Dishon  
Autumn Mitchell  
Maggie Ruble  
Madison Brown  
Camran Martin  
Kelsie Powers

### Trustworthiness

Giuliana Stanley  
Kailynn Moses  
Joshua Prillaman  
Alex Woods  
Zachary Chittum

### Fairness

Emma Hartless

## Grade Level News

### PRESCHOOL NEWS

The preschoolers have been working hard. We have jobs assigned each day and often the children will volunteer to do extra jobs just to help out. When they saw Ms. Julie, in the cafeteria, unloading lots of ice cream boxes, they rushed over to help her get the ice cream to the freezer. Ms. Julie was so appreciative, she bought everyone an ice cream (she will have more help than she knows what to do with, from now until the end of school).



We went on our first long walk all the way up to the high school practice football field. We love to be outside and find interesting things like: crickets, acorns, leaves, rocks, beetles and flowers. We are planning to ride the bus by the homes of everyone in our class then go to Greenhill Park to have a picnic. Our first field trip should be lots of fun.

Bonnie Dayton, Michelle Pruet, Lori Martin, the Preschool Staff

Kindergarten has had a very busy start to the year. We have learned all about rules, and how to show good character. We are very excited to be learning our alphabet and sight words. We enjoyed making our cooperative cake. We have a very busy October coming up. We will learn about families, fall, maps, globes, and Halloween. We will continue to add to our sight word vocabulary. We will end the month with a trip to Layman's Pumpkin Patch and we will have a costume parade around the school.



Happy Fall,

The Kindergarten Teachers

Mrs. Akers, Mrs. Clapper, Mrs. Kelley

We have had a great start to our year in First Grade! The children are getting settled into the routines. The children have been bringing home books to read each night in a red bag. It is very important to return these books to school each day. We use the same books for instruction in the classroom. Also, we have begun our Word Study program. Please refer to the letter that was sent home in your child's homework folder for directions about their nightly spelling homework. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us!

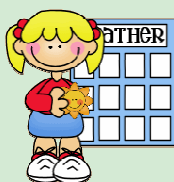
We had just a few reminders as we continue adjusting to first grade. We will have a morning snack each day. Please make sure you pack your child a healthy snack each day! If your child does not wear tennis shoes one day, please pack them a pair in their book bag. Even if they do not go to PE class, we still go outside to play if the weather is nice.



First Grade will be taking a field trip to Sinkland Farms to go and see how pumpkins grow in late October. Please look for information to come home soon about our trip!

Thank you so much for all of your support. We look forward to working with you this year!

The First Grade Teachers



Second Grade is having a wonderful time learning!

This month students will learn about weather and how seasons affect animals and people. We will continue to work on math facts and strategies for addition and subtraction.

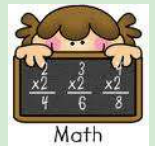
The students are working hard and reading each day!

## Grade Level News

Third grade is off to a great start! We have been busy collecting data and creating all types of graphs. We have already moved on to place value in math. Rocket math is taking off! Our young scientists have learned all about matter and are very excited to begin our units on Greece, Rome and Mali. The past few weeks have been so much fun getting to know our new teachers and new friends. Parents, please remember to check and sign your child's assignment book each night. READ, READ, READ! We are starting IDR the week of September 23<sup>rd</sup>. As the weather gets cooler, remember to bring a sweatshirt or jacket because we will go outside.



Fourth grade is off to a great start! In Social Studies, we have wrapped up our study of VA's geography and products/industries and have been studying Native Americans in VA. After that, we will be starting our study of Jamestown. In Science, we are now moving into our unit of SOL 4.3: Living Systems. The students will learn and discover about animals and their habitats, behaviors and ecosystems. In Math, we have finished up our unit on place value, rounding, comparing and ordering decimals. Through October, we will be working on adding and subtracting whole numbers and decimals. Please continue to work on basic math facts at home, especially times tables. Students will need to complete take-home review quizzes, which will be given out on Mondays, and they will be due on Fridays. Students can use notes to complete. Parents need to check over and sign them after they are completed to make sure the children understand important concepts. In Reading, we are discussing fact versus fantasy in historical fiction and other genres, author's purpose, major events/supporting details, figurative language, synonyms, antonyms, homophones, comprehension, multiple meaning words, vocabulary, sensory words and word-reference materials. Narrative writing has been our focus in Writing, along with reviewing parts of speech like nouns, verbs and types of sentences. Daily Language Review packets during English time (that have been started or will be started soon) should be studied in preparation for quizzes the following week. We also have been learning to spell and reviewing patterned words with the Words Their Way program.



Math

Thank you for all your support in helping your child have a fun and successful start to the fourth grade. 😊

Happy Fall Fifth Graders!! So far we have gotten off to a wonderful start. Please continue to make sure assignment books are signed and homework is being completed each night. Be diligent in making sure homework is completed accurately and not just complete.

In Science, we will be starting a light unit. Students will be learning all about how light moves, bends, and functions. There will be a few experiments in this unit as well.



In Social Studies/Writing we will continue working on good writing skills and how to improve our work. Don't forget there is a writing SOL in March. The children will need to pick out mistakes from a writing as well as write their own from a prompt. Social Studies will be incorporated as time allows.

In Math we are starting to work on multiplication and division. Please make sure you are signing and correcting weekly reviews and tests with your child. They are making minor mistakes that can easily be cleared up with making corrections to their work.

We are always available for you. Please call, email, or send us a note in your child's assignment book.

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## Glenvar Globe Calendar

### October Important Dates

Oct. 3	Day 6; Safety Week – Bus Emergency Drills for all students
Oct. 4	Day 1; Fire & Tornado Drills
Oct. 5	Day 2; Lockdown Safety Drill
Oct. 6	Day 3; Silent Evacuation Safety Drill
Oct. 7	Day 4; K & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Vision and Hearing Screening; Fire Safety Assembly
Oct. 10	Day 5
Oct. 11	Day 6; 6:00 PTA Board meeting; 7:00 PTA General meeting – Parent Resource Night
Oct. 12	Day 1
Oct. 13	Day 2; 12:20 EARLY DISMISSAL – Breakfast & lunch served – Teacher Inservice
Oct. 14	Day 3; IDR (Individual Daily Reading) prizes
Oct. 17	Day 4
Oct. 18	Day 5
Oct. 19	Day 6; Kindergarten Field Trip to Layman’s Farm, 8:30-1:45
Oct. 20	Day 1; First Nine Weeks Ends; Globe newsletter news due to Mrs. Coleman, Assistant Principal
Oct. 21	SCHOOL CLOSED – Teacher Workday
Oct. 24	Day 2; RED RIBBON WEEK
Oct. 25	Day 3; PTA movie night 6:30 in cafeteria
Oct. 26	Day 4
Oct. 27	Day 5; Preschool Field trip to Sinkland Farms – Pumpkin Patch 9:30-1:45
Oct. 28	Day 6; Report Cards go home; IDR prizes; 1 <sup>st</sup> grade Field trip – Sinkland Farms Pumpkin Patch – 8:30-1:00
Oct. 31	Day 1

### November Important Dates

Nov. 1	6:00 – PTA Board meeting; 7:00 PTA General meeting – 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade music program
Nov. 8 Day	SCHOOL CLOSED – Election Day; Parent/Teacher Conference from 12:00 – 7:00 pm
Nov. 15	School Picture make up day
Nov. 22	PTA movie night – 6:30 in cafeteria
Nov. 23	12:20 EARLY DISMISSAL – Breakfast & lunch served
Nov. 24-25	SCHOOL CLOSED – THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
Nov. 27-Dec.2	Book Fair
Nov. 28	Interim midpoint