




Glenvar Elementary School

Glenvar Globe

September 2011

Mark Your Calendar!



13-Sep	PTA: 7:00 p Back to School night
20-Sep	Skate night 6-8 p - GES and friends
24-Sep	Fall Festival
27-Sep	Movie night "RIO" 6:30 - free- bring a snack and blanket- GES Cafeteria
11-Oct	PTA: 7:00 p Parent Resource night
18-Oct	Skate night 6-8 p GES and friends
25-Oct	Movie night "Spooky Buddies" 6:30 - free- bring a snack and blanket - GES Cafeteria
1-Nov	PTA: 7:00 p 2nd music program
28-Nov	Book Fair!! Lasts through Dec 10th.
13-Dec	PTA: 7:00 p 5th music program
14-Feb	PTA: 7:00 p Family Health and Fitness night
13-Mar	PTA: 7:00 p 4th music/dance program
17-Apr	PTA: 7:00 p Art night
16-Apr	Book Fair!! Lasts through Apr 28th.
8-May	PTA: 7:00 p K music program

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PTA has a facebook
page to keep you
up-to-date with all
our news, volunteer
needs and events!
Check it out today!

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Meet GES Assistant Principal Lisa Coleman

Dear Parents and Students,

I am so excited to introduce myself to you! I am Lisa Coleman, Glenvar's new assistant principal. I have been a teacher for 25 years and have taught preschool, kindergarten, first grade and third grade. Many of my teaching years were spent at Burlington Elementary in North Roanoke County.

I have three children of my own to tell you about too! My oldest son Robert is a medical student at the Edward Via Medical College near Virginia Tech. My daughter Elizabeth is a junior Secondary English Education major at Radford University and my youngest son Mitchell is in 8th grade at William Byrd Middle School. My husband Jeff is a counselor for Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare and we have a fluffy white dog named Murphy to play with at our home in the Bonsack area.

I am thrilled and honored to make my new home away from home at Glenvar Elementary! For many years I have heard so many good things about the students, teachers and families in the Glenvar area and now I have the opportunity to join the Glenvar community!

I have been in every classroom to meet all of the students, and now I look forward to meeting their families! My office door is always open and I am also just a phone call or email away. Please call or come by anytime and let me know if there is anything I can do to help make this a great school year for your child. I also hope to meet all of you at our Back to School Night on Sept.13 and at the other fun family events throughout the school year.

Box Tops for Education & Campbell Soup Labels for Education

REMEMBER TO SEND IN YOUR LABELS!

Collection boxes are located in the front office and at the gym entrance.

Quick Tip: Tape a plastic baggie on the inside of a kitchen cabinet to collect the labels. Make sure you put it in a location that will be easy to remember!



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PE NEWS

Please help your child remember to have tennis shoes every day. They must wear tennis shoes to participate in P.E. class and PEX safely. We will be bowling in P.E. class in September!

There are several running events coming up.

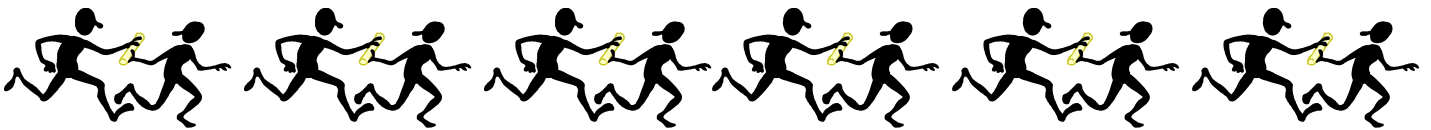
On Saturday, September 10th: "Knights Crossing" 3K race (1.8 miles-elementary students) and 5K race (3.1 miles-middle and high school students) @ Greenhill Park.

Thanksgiving Morning-"Drumstick Dash" 5K run/walk- this is a great family event.

Saturday, December 10th-"Jingle Bell Run" 5K run & 1 mile walk- another fun family event. See Mrs. Griffith for more details or sign up online. Let's lace up our tennis shoes and get moving together!



Ellen Griffith, GES Physical Education



Tuesday Sept. 13 is BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT!
This is a great time to come out, meet your child's teachers, see classrooms, meet PTA board members and see how you can get involved. The fun starts at 7:00 pm in the school gym. Hope to see you there!

Red Ribbon Week is in October! Good Character Counts when it comes to staying off drugs! Prizes, Drug Prevention and Fun! More details to come!



FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 24, 2011
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.



<p>Wristband Pre-sale \$8.00 Pre-sale Offered through Sept. 23rd \$10.00 at the door Tickets will be sold the day of the Festival for 25 cents each</p> <hr/> <p>*Bake Sale* *Gift Card Raffle* *Guessing Jars*</p> <hr/>  <p><u>Meal Deal!!!</u> Slice of pizza or hotdog, chips and drink for \$2.00 Eat lunch with us! (Wristband does not apply)</p>	<p>Games and #of tickets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face Painting(4) /Tattoos(1) • Hair Spray (4) • Hayride (4) • Bounce House (4 each) • Bracelet Beading (4 each) • Bowling (2) • Football Throw (2) • Baseball Throw (2) • Bean Bag Toss (2) • Putt Putt (2) • Ring Toss (2) • Turtle Race (2) • Alien Outer Limits (2) • Dinosaur Dig (2) • Ping Pong Toss (2) • Duck Pond (2) • Plinko (2) • Wheel of Fortune (2) • Fish Pond (2) • Frohockey (Frog Hockey) (2)
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Detach and Return

Order Form-Return this section with payment.

Student Name _____ Teacher _____

Number of WRISTBANDS _____ x \$8= _____

Wristbands will not be sent home. You may pick up your pre-sold wristband at the ticket/wristband table the day of Fall Festival.

Please send the exact amount or make checks payable to GES PTA.

The theme for the Reflections Program 2011-2012 is



"Diversity Means..."

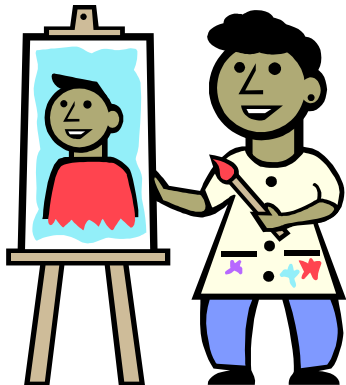
Arts in Education

Reflections is a program sponsored by the National PTA every year. This program encourages students to express their artistic talents by writing, dancing, composing and creating visual art.

Entries will be due mid-October 2011. More information will be sent home soon.

The categories are:

- Dance Choreography
- Film/Video Productions
- Literature
- Musical Composition
- Photography



The Glenvar Elementary School SCA welcomes you to a new year, whether you are coming back again or you are brand new to the school! We have a great year of service projects and fun spirit days planned for the 2011-12 year that we hope you will enjoy. SCA Home-room Representatives will be elected in September, so more information will be shared about that soon. Have a great beginning of the school year!

SCA Advisors: Ms. Barger, Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Chamberland, and Mr. Fezell

SCA

Grade Level Updates::

There were lots of smiling faces at the open-house and some who were not so sure about coming to school. By the end of the first week, everyone will know what to expect and they will all be smiling. We have lots of new technology in the preschool room this year. There are new ipads, a new xbox and a very cool program called Animals Alive that connects your computer to a video camera card reader. The cards show 3-D images on the Activboard screens (there are even sound effects). We all have lots to learn; I feel certain the children will be teaching us how to use many of these new additions. Our preschool supervisor explained that the adults are technology immigrants; the children are technology natives.

Bonnie Dayton, Michelle Pruet, Lori Martin, the preschool staff

Pre-K

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten Teachers would like to welcome all new kindergarteners to Glenvar Elementary School. We are very excited to meet our new "Grizzlies." We hope you have enjoyed your summer. Kindergarten is a big adjustment for both parents and children. As the new school year begins, please keep in mind how important a routine is for your kindergartner. We have many fun activities planned for the first month of school. We will learn about rules/safety, showing good character, and begin studying our alphabet. We look forward to a successful school year.



The Kindergarten Teachers,
Ms. Akers, Mrs. Clapper, Mrs. Kelley

Welcome to First Grade! We are very excited to work with your child and they have transitioned very well! Please refer to the schedule we sent home on the first day of school for your child's specials. It is important that your child wear or bring tennis shoes each day. Also, please remember to pack a healthy snack for your child as we will have a snack time during the day. We look forward to a great year with you and your child! Please make plans to attend Back to School Night on September 13th where we will discuss in more detail about our procedures and curriculum.

First Grade Teachers

(Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Henderson, Miss Shrewsbury)

Second Grade News

Welcome Back 2nd Grade Students and Parents

This month we will be learning about Bus Safety, Communities and Scientific Investigations. In the mornings we will have snack time to rejuvenate and carry us through the day.

Please pack a healthy snack.

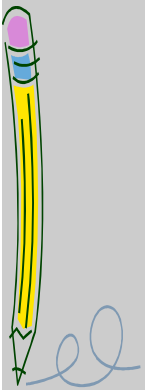
Be sure to wear or bring sneakers every day for active learning.

We are looking forward to a wonderful year!



5 Simple Steps to Success in Third Grade:

1. Bring a healthy snack to keep the tummy rumbles away until lunch!
2. Do your homework every night and get a parent to sign your assignment book!
3. **READ! READ! READ!**
4. Be kind to your classmates!
5. Put a smile on your face and have some fun with learning!



Welcome to the fourth grade! We're going to have so much fun learning this year! Staying organized and being a good listener and hard worker are the keys to success in fourth grade. We look forward to growing stronger in reading, writing, and math, becoming junior scientists, and exploring the wild, wonderful state of Virginia! We're so glad you're in fourth grade to have fun learning with us! Your 4th Grade Teachers,

Ms. Barger, Mrs. Dix, and Ms. Serreno

**If you choose to give your child a cell phone, purchase one that is "child friendly." That is, users of this phone can only send and receive calls from others approved by parents.*

Gain personal and practical experience of various technologies so you can listen and talk with your children with authority. That is, become more technologically literate yourself. For example, set up your own Facebook.com account and learn how it is used.

Visit www.GuardingKids.com/links for helpful resources and materials.

5th Grade Update~~~~ Welcome to Fifth Grade. We are excited to have you here. If you came to open house, you will notice we are a grade without desks. We have chosen to use tables this year to help your child get ready for middle school. Items are stored on a shelf in the classroom. We will use this as their "locker". They must be able to gather the supplies that they need for each class and take their items with them throughout the day.

We are pleased to welcome our new teacher. Her name is Mrs. Osburn. She has worked at Glenvar before and we are so happy to have her with us. She will be teaching Global Studies as well as Writing. An SOL Writing test will be given in March.

Mr. Fezell will continue to teach Science. His first unit is light. Look for a notebook with lots of notes to study. Students will be taking a Science SOL test this year that covers 4th and 5th grade material.

Mrs. Anthony will continue teaching Math. All students are expected to complete homework each night. Work will be coming home weekly for parents to go over and sign. It is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** that students memorize multiplication facts. There will be an SOL in Math this year. Please feel free to contact us if you need anything. We will be glad to help you with anything you need. This will be a great year for your child. Welcome to 5th Grade!!

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/gles/default.shtml](http://www.rcs.k12.va.us/gles/default.shtml)

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New Prices!

Full-price lunch is \$2.05
and breakfast is \$1.00.

Milk and ice cream are still
\$.50.



2011 Glenvar Globe Calendar

September 2011 Important Dates

Sept. 1	Day 3
Sept. 2	Day 4
Sept. 5	School Closed – Labor Day
Sept. 6	Day 5
Sept. 7	Day 6
Sept. 8	Day 1
Sept. 9	Day 2
Sept. 12	Day 3
Sept. 13	Day 4; 6:00 PTA board meeting 7:00 PTA Back to School Night – for all grades
Sept. 14	Day 5; Early Dismissal – 12:20 Breakfast and lunch served; Teacher Inservice
Sept. 15	Day 6
Sept. 16	Day 1
Sept. 19	Day 2
Sept. 20	Day 3;
Sept. 21	Day 4; Interim mid-point
Sept. 22	Day 5
Sept. 23	Day 6; IDR (Individual Daily Reading) prizes
Sept. 24	PTA FALL FESTIVAL Fundraiser from 10:00 – 2:00 PLEASE COME SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL – HAVE LOTS OF FUN!!!
Sept. 26	Day 1
Sept. 27	Day 2
Sept. 28	Day 3; Interim Reports go home School Picture Day
Sept. 29	Day 4
Sept. 30	Day 5