

Office of the Principal  
Glenview Avenue School  
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Kindergarten - Mrs. Campbell:

We've enjoyed the month of May even though it rained for feels like most of the month!

In Reading we picked up where we left off in April and continued discussing the life cycle of a plant, a caterpillar and a butterfly. We read, "The Hungry Little Caterpillar" and "The Life Cycle of a Butterfly". Although this is more of a science unit, we learned how to research a topic and how to write observations. The students enjoyed completing a plant project, observe a seed grow and observe and record about a caterpillar go through its metamorphosis into a butterfly.

In Math this month students we continued to study 2D and 3D shapes. Students compared all the shapes and how they are alike and different. We also learned compared objects by their length, height and weight and how to use positional words.

We are really looking forward to some spring/summer like weather in June and preparing for graduation and moving up to 1st grade!

Kindergarten - Mrs. Schuster:

We spent the first few weeks of May learning about and observing the life cycle of a butterfly. We integrated our reading and science curriculum as we read, observed and record information about our new class pets. The most exciting part came when we had our butterfly release party.

In math, we have been working on measurement and sorting and classifying objects based on size, color and shape.

We are looking forward to June and all of the fun the end of the school year has to offer!

### Grade 1-Mrs. Lutz:

We are just about ready for second grade! In first grade, we can identify, sort, and tell about two dimensional shapes. We can split them into even shares as well. We doing a wonderful job writing narrative pieces, with details. We now know how to write information pieces as well. It's fun to write about things we are really interested in. We are having a blast with the ABC Countdown and are so excited for school each day!

### Grade 1-Mrs. White:

April has been a fun month in first grade. The students integrated social studies and reading groups to learn about many different cultures around the world. They compared and contrasted children's lives from various countries to the life they live here in the United States. They worked in small groups to create presentations to teach the rest of the class about the world. In math, the first graders learned all about data! They learned to read and create bar graphs, tally charts, and picture graphs. In writing, the first graders worked to create their own non-fiction "All About" book of the animal of their choice. We are so proud of how hard they are working! They are almost ready for second grade!

### Grade 2 Mrs. Agnew and Mrs.Harding:

Glenview second graders participated in the PTG Science Fair. They did an experiment that investigated the three states of matter. The children read about solids, liquids and gasses. Then they created a substance, slime that represented the different states of matter. They wrote a lab report that followed the scientific method and noted many different observations. This was all on display and the children were very proud of their work...and had slime to take home to play with!

### Grade 3-Mrs. Schoettler:

Mrs. Schoettler's class has been working on information writing. We are writing books about topics in which each of us is an expert. Someone is writing about soccer, someone is writing about drawing, others are writing about painting, football, gardening, and more! In addition we wrote informational paragraphs about holiday topics like "How to Build a Snowman", "How to Plan a Holiday Party" and "Holiday

Traditions". We are learning a lot of techniques to make our informational writing more interesting like adding text features, using transition words, and elaborating with statistics, an anecdote, or a quote from another expert!

Grade 3-Mrs. Aceto:

Students in Mrs. Aceto's class have been hard at work preparing for their service learning project presentation. Our project this year was Sole Hope, a charity that helps children in Uganda, suffering from jiggers. These are parasites that bore their way into feet, making it incredibly painful to walk. Third and sixth graders worked together to make 30 pairs of shoe patterns, and will be donating medical supplies to help aid this worthy cause.

Grade 4- Ms.Lindley:

May has flown by! We tried our very best on PARCC and felt like we were well prepared. We really enjoyed working on our service learning project this month, taking recycled goods and upcycling, turning them into useful items for our staff to use. Some of the things we made were supply organizers, book boxes, and even a birdhouse and watering cans for the garden! In math, we are working on a unit all about angles. In ELA we are writing an informational book all about a world wonder. We are also diving back into informational text to close out the year. We can't believe it is almost June. We are excited for summer, but don't want the year to end!

Grade 4 - Ms. Lunsford:

During the month of April, the students completed Unit 9 and most of Unit 10 in Go Math program. These units focused on fractions, decimals, angles, lines, and classifying quadrilaterals. The students also reviewed all the skills from the year in preparation for PARCC In reading, the students continue their work in the Daily 5, reading groups, and whole class lessons. During whole class lessons, the students compared and contrasted poetry, plays and proses. In writing, the class completed an informational essay using research on a historical event. In social studies, the students finished Google presentations on the regions of the US. They also made Google Forms to quiz their classmates.

**Grade 5- Mrs. Boyd:**

The fifth grade students had an exciting field trip to the new Museum of the American Revolution. They enjoyed a guided tour through the museum and watched a thought-provoking video called *Washington's War Tent*. The class then traveled to the Red Bank Battlefield to tour the Whithall house and grounds. In reading, the students are extending their learning through the book *The Revolutionary War*. Our fifth grade authors are learning the history of the Holocaust and writing an informational research piece on Kristallnacht, life in the ghettos, and the Resistance. In math, the students are learning about conversions with customary and metric units.

**Grade 6-Mrs. Lord:**

After exploring various social justice issues, centered on the topic of the use of child labor and the rights of workers, students are drawing on background knowledge to explore teen activists' responses to social and environmental issues. It is exciting to see not only the students' enthusiasm, but also to hear some of the incredible levels of thinking expressed through class discussions as we begin our researched - based informational writing.

**Special Ed- Ms. DeRibas:**

Determining a main idea and building reading fluency has been the focus of our reading instruction. The boys and girls are learning to analyze text and pull out the important details that the author wants them to learn. The children have also been practicing how to use evidence from a text to answer questions.

Opinion writing continues to be the focus of our instruction. The children recently created and presented their own picture books about their favorite places to visit. The boys and girls are currently learning about adjectives so that they can add more creativity and details to their writing.

**Mrs. Metz:**

Mrs. Metz has been busy giving end of the year assessments (DIBELS, DRA, and QRI). LLI and Guided Reading groups are beginning to wrap up and we will switch our focus to skills groups. I am continuing to

conduct reading conferences in Miss Lunsford's 4th grade class and in 3rd grade I will lead the writing unit on Adapted Fairy Tales.

**Mr. Whitescarver- Vocal Music:**

Students in 5th and 6th grade are exploring the Science of Sound with experiments and projects.

3rd and 4th grade students are sight reading the treble clef and performing rounds and partner songs.

1st and 2nd grade are developing their singing (head) voices and performing short solos.

**Mrs. Parejo- PE:**

Students in third through sixth grade have been performing a variety of fitness skills while completing the Presidential Fitness Tests. Students in grades one and two have been playing games such as *Alien Invasion*, *Hula Hoop Tag* and *Pac Man Tag*.

**Mrs. Michnowski- Art:**

Students in Kindergarten - Sixth Grade have been working on creating a personalized Art Portfolio to take home their artwork that they have completed throughout the year. We are preparing for our annual Student Art Show that will take place at Glenview on May 31st from 6-8:00!

**Mrs. Sarchese, Spanish:**

The 4th grade classes are learning school objects and making singular nouns plural. The third grade Spanish classes are learning places in the community and stating where someone is located. The first grade classes are using colors to describe what they are wearing.

**Glenview Nurses:**

Helping with new kindergarten students for 17-18 screenings.

**New Students this Month:**

**Suspensions: 0**

**Fire Drill 5/17/2017**

**Lockdown 5/10/2017**

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**Sam Sassano, Principal**

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