GLADE GAZETTE GLADE PTA NEWSLETTER

February 20, 2020

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School Calendar

(Dates & Times Subject to Change)

Date	Event	Time
	FEBRUARY	
25	Coding Club – Computer Lab	3:45-5:00
27	Band Day, bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
	MARCH	
2	PTA General Meeting, Media Center	7:00
4	2-Hour Early Dismissal <i>(AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30)</i> Mid-term	9:00-1:30
5	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
6	Field Trip – Gr. 5 (Offutt/Little) ESSL	9:15-11:30
11	Field Trip – Gr. 1 – Maryland Science Center (Baltimore)	9:05-3:15
12	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
13	Spirit Day Field Trip – Gr.5 (Matusek/Young) ESSL	9:15-11:30
16	PRE-K and KINDERGARTEN Registration Begins Spring Picture Day	9-3
17	Spring Picture for Tues/Thurs PreK (Mrs. Weis) Social Studies/Science Fair <i>Set-Up</i>	9:00
18	Social Studies/Science Fair	6:00-8:00
19	Band Day – bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm. 142 Social Studies/Science Fair <i>Pick-Up</i>	3:30-5:00
26	Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
30	Spring Book Fair	
31	Spring Book Fair	
	APRIL	
1	Talent Show Auditions Spring Book Fair	3:45-5:00
2	Band Day – bring your instruments Good News Club, Rm. 142 Talent Show Auditions Spring Book Fair PreK / Kindergarten evening registration Literacy Night	3:30-5:00 3:45-5:00 4:00-7:00 6:30-7:30
3	Spring Book Fair	
4	Restaurant Night @ Roy Rogers Family Skate Night	4-7 5-7:10
6	PTA General Meeting, Media Center	7:00
8	2-Hour Early Dismissal <i>(AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30)</i> Field Trip – Gr. 2 – Rose Hill Manor	9:00-1:30 9:30-12:30
9	Schools Closed – Teacher Work Day	
10 & 13	Schools Closed – Spring Break	
14	Field Trip – Gr.2 (Ciocco/Sinton) ESSL	9:15-11:15
15	Field Trip - Gr.2 (Defibaugh/Epling) ESSL	9:15-11:15

16	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
17	Spirit Day PTA Movie Night	7:00
20	Field Trip – Gr.4 (Hickman/Hyson) ESSL Gr.5 Panoramic Picture	12:00-2:15 1:45
21	Field Trip - Gr.4 (Fowler/Garrigan) ESSL	12-2:15
23	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
28	Schools Closed – Primary Elections	
30	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142 Talent Show Dress Rehearsal	3:30-5:00 4-7
	MAY	
	KISS (Kids Invite Someone Special – formerly Moms n' Muffins) Café Talent Show	8:00-8:55 7-9
1	PTA General Meeting, Media Center	7:00
7	Band Day – bring your instrument In-School Band Concert, Café Good News Club, Rm. 142	2:00 3:30-5:00
11	Field Trip – Gr.5 – Washington DC Band Evening Concert at WHS	8:55-3:15 7:00
14	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142	9:10-3:00
15	Walk/Bike to School Day Spirit Day Field Trip – Gr.K – Catoctin Zoo PTA May Fair	9:15-1:45 5:30-8:00
19	Cultural Arts Program (Primary) Cultural Arts Program (Intermediate)	9:15-10:15 2:00-3:00
20	Chorus Evening Concert, Café	7:00
21	Band Day – bring your instrument Field Trip – Gr.4 – Annapolis Good News Club, Rm. 142	9:00-3:00 3:30-5:00
25	Schools Closed – Memorial Day	
27	Field Trip – Gr.3 – National Zoo DC Volunteer Appreciation Celebration, Café	9:00-3:00 7:00
28	Band Day – bring your instrument Good News Club, Rm. 142 Kindergarten Orientation	3:30-5:00 6:30-7:30
29	KISS (Kids Invite Someone Special – formerly Dad's-n-Donuts) Café Gr. 1 Wax Museum (in classroom) 5 th Grade Celebration, Café	8:00-8:55 2-3 1-3
	JUNE	
	PTA General Meeting	7:00
2	Field Trip – Gr.3 – National Zoo, DC	9-3
}	Field Day (rain date June 4)	
1	Good News Club, Rm. 142	3:30-5:00
)	5 th Grade Picnic (rain date June 10)	
10	Last Day of School for Students (if no snow days) 2-Hour Early Dismissal (AM PreK 9-10:30 PM PreK 12-1:30) Move-Up Day 5 th Grade Tug-o-War 5 th Grade Clap-Out	9:00-1:30 9:00-9:55 10:00-10:20 1:00

ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Glade Families.

We are fortunate indeed to be supported by such a generous and involved community. When we ask for help, you help. When we communicate that we need to meet together and talk about your child's learning, you come and meet with us and we plan together for your child's learning. We always want it to be collaborative and focused on the next steps in learning for a student. However, with parent/teacher conferences only scheduled for one time in the year, it can be very easy to lose the connection between the adults and become reliant on the Thursday folder work, whole class communication from the teacher, the Facebook messages, or this Gazette. None of those can truly replace the direct communication between a parent and a teacher.

To that end, your communication with your child's classroom teacher is the most important part of all. Please don't ever hesitate to reach out and have a conversation with your child's teacher about learning or whatever may be on your mind. Your child spends a significant amount of time in the care of our staff, and consequently it is only natural for you to talk and check-in. Many of us, as parents, fall into the habit of waiting for communication from the teacher – I know that I do so at times, and so I am encouraging you to reach out and check in if you haven't done so recently. I care deeply about the success of your child in our school, and your communication with your child's teacher helps me to know where I may be of assistance and support when needed.

In addition to the above, I've included a few pieces of information in this Gazette that will be helpful to you:

- 1. Our calendar above includes finalized dates for 5th Grade Celebration, 5th Grade Picnic, Field Day, the 1st Grade Wax Museum, Spring Book Fair, and several other events that we want you to be aware of.
- 2. Our Glade Yearbook this year is in the capable and Artistic hands of Mrs. Karen McGraw, Art teacher. As a reminder, if you have photos from any of our school events that you would like to be considered for include in, please send them to gladeyearbook@gmail.com

Yearbooks are available to order now by going to the site link here and using the school ID code below. https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/SelectJob School ID: 11041920

3. Our Glade Science and Social Studies Fair is being held here at school- March 18th 6-8pm. Projects are to be dropped off for display the previous day, March 17th and picked up on March 19th.

The county Science and Social Studies fair is being held at Tuscarora High School on Saturday, March 28, 2020.

Registration is online.

Elementary Science Fair Registration: https://education.fcps.org/scienceelem/sciencefair Elementary Social Studies Fair Registration: https://sites.google.com/fcps.org/ssfair/home

As always, if we may be of assistance to you in furthering your child's education and wellness here at school, please don't hesitate to contact me or Mrs. Putnam. We are here to help.

Yours in Education, Lorcan OhEithir, Principal Heather Putnam, Assistant Principal

Enrollment for Pre-K and Kindergarten

We are always excited to welcome new students to our school. Please help to spread the word that registration for next year's kindergarten and pre-k students starts Monday, March 16. Please don't wait as this helps determine our class sizes. There will be a Pre-K and Kindergarten orientation for parents of incoming students in late spring. If you or someone you know has an incoming pre-k or kindergarten student, the following link will direct you to all of the necessary information: FCPS ENROLLMENT INFORMATION for Pre-K & Kindergarten for 2020-2021

GLADE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Beginning **Monday, March 16**, you may register for PreK and/or Kindergarten during school hours from 9:00-3:00.

We will host one evening registration on Thursday, April 2 from 4:00-7:00

KINDERGARTEN REQUIREMENTS

- Five on or before September 1, 2020. (Born before 9/1/2015)
- <u>Proof of date of birth</u>: Provide one of these: birth certificate, physician's certificate, hospital certificate, baptismal/church certificate, parent's affidavit, passport/visa.
- <u>Proof of residency</u>: Provide one of these: current property tax bill, current rental bill, current utility bill for water, gas or electric (no phone bills)
- Immunization record

EARLY ENTRANCE TO KINDERGARTEN

Children can be considered for early entrance to kindergarten if they're born 45 days after the regular kindergarten cutoff (10/15/2015). A child must turn five years of age between September 2 and October 16. The application process for the 2020-2021 school year will open on March 19, 2020 and close on May 31, 2020. You may contact the school at that time to set up an appointment. https://www.fcps.org/academics/kindergarten-early-entrance

PRE-K REQUIREMENTS: Morning Class ONLY 9:00-11:30

- Four on or before September 1, 2020.
- Proof of date of birth (provide one of these: Birth certificate, physician's certificate, hospital certificate, baptismal or church certificate, parent's affidavit, or passport/visa)
- Proof of residency provide one of these: current property tax bill, current rental bill, current utility bill for water, gas, or electric (no phone bills)
- Immunization record
- Copy of Independence card with documentation; W-2 form(s) from last year; three consecutive pay stubs within the last six months; a letter on letterhead from your employer stating your income or documentation if the child in your care is a foster child. Please note: We cannot consider your application into Pre-K until ALL required documentation is completed.

INCLUSIVE PRE-K PROGRAMS

- 14 students in both the morning (9:00-11:30) and afternoon (1:00-3:30) classes includes:
 - o Three years of age on or before September 1, 2020 for AM class (2 days: Mon/Wed or Thu/Fri)
 - o Four years of age on or before September 1, 2020 for PM class (5 days: Mon-Fri)
 - o 7 students who have been identified with a disability through Child Find Services
 - o 7 regular education students (may not be enrolled in another FCPS program)
- Parents must provide transportation.
- Students selected through a lottery. Applications available in the office. Deadline Thursday, April 30 by 4:00pm. Parents will be notified by Friday, May 8.

Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run meets the unique needs of girls in 3rd-5th grade. The program considers the whole girl - body, brain, heart, spirit and social connection - in a positive, structured space where girls can learn about themselves, explore new ideas, cultivate empathy and strengthen connections. Running is incorporated into each lesson to encourage physical wellness and teach life skills such as team building, creating a support system, standing up for themselves and others and decision making. The girls prepare for a celebratory Girls on the Run 5K event at the end of the program. This non-competitive event fosters goal setting and a sense of confidence through accomplishment to last a lifetime. Visit www.gotrmidmd.org for more information or to register!!

Season Details:

March 16-June 3 Mondays and Wednesdays, 3:45-5:15pm 5K Date: Saturday, June 6, 2020



COUNSELOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Nikki Ramsay, School Counselor <u>nikole.ramsay@fcps.org</u> 240-236-2114

This month we celebrated National School Counselor Week (Feb 3-7) by participating in classroom events and challenges as well as prize drawings and small tokens were given to all students and staff thanking them for making Glade a great place to work. I LOVE being your school counselor and want to thank you, our Glade families, as well.

During our *Leader in Me* lessons, we focused on *Habit 5, Seek First to Understand - Then to Be Understood*. This habit reminds us to be good listeners with our ears and our eyes. We know to truly listen, we try to ignore distractions around us, raise our hand and wait to be called on, don't interrupt or blurt out and try to understand other people's views and feelings even if they are different from our own.



THE READING CORNER

Mrs. Susan Copen, Literacy Specialist susan.copen@fcps.org 240-236-2113

Magnet nominations are due no later than February 28th. For more information please go to https://www.fcps.org/academics/elementary-magnet-program-nomination. This program is for students entering grades 3-5 for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact Mrs. Copen with questions.

Family Literacy Night

Save The Date: Thursday, April 2, 2020 6:30-7:30

Timothy Young will be here during the day to present to all of our classes.

He will be back that evening for a family literacy event.

Fliers to preorder his books will be in Thursday folders next week.

These orders will be due by March 19th, 2020.

He will also have books available the night of the event. Please visit https://creaturesandcharacters.com/ for more information about Mr. Young.

Other Important Reminders:

All absences, late arrivals, and early dismissals need a parent note or are unexcused. Be sure to include the child's first and last name and the teacher's name. Even if you have called the school to report an absence, we still require a note upon returning to school. For a copy of "A Note to School" please go to http://ges.sites.fcps.org/attendance. To review the entire FCPS policy, please visit page 38 of the FCPS Calendar Handbook.

Address change: Please provide a new proof of residency (a copy of a property tax bill, gas bill, electric bill, water/sewer bill or a signed current lease/rental agreement; NO phone/cable bills).

<u>Custody change</u>: If there is a change in child custody, please make sure you share that information with your child's teacher and the office. It is extremely important that a copy of the court document be delivered to the school and placed in the child's permanent record folder. Should the school not have this documentation, we have no recourse but to release your child to either parent upon request.

<u>Wellness–Food Use</u>: FCPS Wellness Regulation 400-82 states in part:

- For health and safety reasons, parents/visitors are only permitted to bring in food that is intended for consumption by their individual student.
- For health and safety reasons, students are only permitted to bring in food for personal consumption.

<u>Weapons:</u> Possession of any firearm or other weapon by a student on school property is strictly forbidden. This also includes look-alike weapons. The penalties for violation are detailed in the Discipline section of the FCPS handbook. Please remember it is a serious offense to possess a weapon of any kind on school property.

Bus Transportation

Students may ride only the school bus to which they are assigned. Inviting friends to ride the bus home is sometimes problematic as some busses are extremely crowded and over capacity. In an emergency situation only, both students are required to have a parent note. This note must be signed by parents. Drivers will not transport any student without a note and/or on their bus roster. Please note that some notes may not be approved due to overcrowding. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

<u>Outside Activities During Cold Weather –</u> Elementary Guidelines:

It is difficult to set guidelines that fit every circumstance and condition with regards to outside activities during cold weather. Regulation No. 400-42 was most recently updated in 2018 to include weather charts and detailed information to assist in the decision making process. The link can be found at https://apps.fcps.org/legal/doc.php?number=400-42 Principals use their discretion and good judgment as to whether or not students will go outside, as well as the duration of the outside activity. Sometimes we may opt for a shorter recess period in cold temperatures or specify a temperature above 20 degrees as the cut off point for going out. Elementary students should not go outdoors for recess or physical education whenever the temperature falls below 20 degrees, including the wind chill factor. The temperature cut off at Glade is 22 degrees, so please remember to dress your student in the appropriate clothing (labeled coat, hat and gloves). We will honor parent's reasonable requests that a student be allowed to stay indoors.



Hearing and Vision Screening will take place *March 18, 19 & 20* for all students in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten (if not previously screened upon entry in FCPS Pre-K), 1st grade and any new enterers to the Maryland public school system. Maryland State Law mandates this screening. *Parents/guardians who have an objection to this screening based on the tenets and/or practice of their church or religion must submit a request for their child to be exempt from screening.*

All written requests must be submitted to the health room by March 13, 2020. Please make sure if your child wears glasses or contacts that they have them on the screening days. If you have any questions please contact the health room at 240-236-2056.

Parent Volunteers are needed for Hearing & Vision. Please contact the Health Room at 240-236-2056 if you would like to volunteer!

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<u>MEDICATIONS IN SCHOOL:</u> ALL medications to be taken at school, whether prescription or non - prescription (over-the-counter), <u>must</u> have a Medication Authorization form completed by the child's health care provider and parent. This form is available from the Health Room Staff and at <u>www.fcps.org</u>. This form along with the medication, in a properly labeled prescription bottle or the original unopened over-the-counter bottle or package, must be given directly to the Health Room Staff by the parent/guardian. <u>FCPS Regulation 400-23 states students are not permitted to carry medications to and from school.</u>

When Should I keep my child home?

Please keep your child home if these symptoms present and if these symptoms persist for more than 24 hours, contact your child's health care provider. If your child comes to the health room complaining of such you will be called to possibly pick he/she up from school. Important Signs of Illness:

- Temperature greater than or equal to 100 degrees
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Stomachache
- Diarrhea
- Pale or flush face
- Headache
- Persistent cough
- Earache
- Thick discharge from nose
- Sore throat
- Rash or skin infection
- Red or pink eyes
- Loss of appetite
- Loss of energy or decrease in activity

Please keep your child home from school for <u>24 hours</u> after the last episode of vomiting, fever, and/or diarrhea. If these symptoms persist for more than 24 hours, you should contact your child's health care provider.



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PTA NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2020

Hello Glade Families!

On behalf of the PTA Executive Board, Membership Chairs, and all the volunteers who give their time so freely and enthusiastically, we thank you for your support. If at any time during the school year, you have any questions please don't hesitate to connect with us at www.GladePTA.org!

PTA Officers 2019-2020

President	John Dye	President@GladePTA.org
VP of Academic & School Program	Wendy Cutsail	VPAcademic@GladePTA.org
VP of Social & Community Programs	Lauren Shrader	VPSocial@GladePTA.org
Treasurer	Brittany Clay	Treasurer@GladePTA.org
Secretary	Laura Malec	Secretary@GladePTA.org

PTA General Meeting

Please join us at our next general meeting. It is open to the entire Glade Community. Want to learn more about what's going on at our school? Have any questions or ideas on how we can better support our students? Then join us on Monday, February 3rd at 7pm in the Media Center.

Stay Connected

Facebook: The Glade Elementary Community was established as a way to disseminate School- and PTA-related updates and information. It is also a great place to ask questions and connect with other Glade families.

Find Out Firsts: The School sends out regular email updates regarding PTA-sponsored events and activities. Make sure you are subscribed. www.fcps.org/fof

Remind: Sign up for text reminders. Text the code @gladepta to the phone number 81010.

Website: Everything you want to know about the PTA can be found on our website. There are forms and documents for membership, volunteering, events, and activities. http://gladepta.org

9th Annual Race for Education

Final Update

Our amazing fundraiser raised a total of \$27,800!

Where does that \$ go??? \$1700 for expenses (mostly stamps for mailers) + \$400 raised directly by teachers to be spent in their classrooms + \$18600 for the PTA budget (Fall Fest, Cultural Arts Assemblies, Movie Nights, Author Visit, May Fair, Classroom Magazine Subscriptions, Clubs, and so much more!) + \$7100 directly to the school for books, technology, etc!!!

Race for Education is incredibly successful year after year. We appreciate EVERY single address label you sent in to help make this happen. We know it takes some time & effort BUT each label averages \$10!!! So EACH label makes a difference!! And it's SO much easier than trying to sell cookies and wrapping paper which would fundraise only a small fraction of what this does! So again WE THANK YOU!!

Next school year we need a new Fundraiser Chair for our school. Patricia Rowley is transitioning to middle school and needs to step away from this duty. Please consider stepping up to fill this CRITICAL position. Without a fundraiser we won't be able to raise the funds to pay for all the wonderful things our school provides for our students. Fundraising CAN evolve so you can make it your own AND she'll be around one last year to help assist with the transition! If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Patricia directly at jandprowley@yahoo.com.

May Fair Meeting

We need YOUR help!

We are in urgent need of May Fair chair and/or planning committee members! Without additional volunteers we will not be able to have the event. Please email Lauren Shrader at VPSocial@GladePTA.org if you are interested in volunteering.

Kids Invite Someone Special

Mom's & Muffin and Dad's and Donuts is changing up. Be on the lookout for KISS (Kids Invite Someone Special). We will be holding it on **May 1st and May 29th.**

You will have the opportunity to pick which day you would like to come. We will be starting to plan so anyone who is interested in volunteering or has some wonderful ideas to make this event great, please contact Wendy Cutsail. wendycutsail@aol.com

Glade Ice Skating Night

Saturday, April 4, 2020

Come join us for a Glade Elementary PTA friends and family ice skating night at Skate Frederick and restaurant night at Roy Roger's.





Ice skating admission & rental \$5 per person *cash only*

Ice skating from 5-7:10pm

Roy Roger's fundraiser 4pm-7pm

mention Glade PTA fundraiser

No experience necessary! New skaters might want to wear a bike helmet and/or elbow/knee pads.

Please email Lauren Shrader VPSocial@GladePTA.org if you have any questions.

100 Days of Blessings

Our 100th Day food collection for Blessings in a Backpack has gotten off to a great start! So far, we have...

28 cans of SpaghettiOs/ravioli

62 cups of applesauce

18 cans of red beans/corn

62 boxes of mac & cheese

83 Cup Noodles/chicken noodle soup

47 packs of crackers/Cheezits

114 cups of peanut butter

There is still time to donate! With your help, we are hopeful that we can reach our goal of 100 servings of each item. Every can, cup, box, or package makes a difference to a Glade student. Thank you for your support!

We'll be accepting all listed foods in the front lobby through Monday, 2/24.

5th Grade Picnic Planning

June may seem far away, but 5th Grade Picnic Planning is about to kickoff! If you have an interest in helping plan or volunteer for this year's picnic for our 5th Grade Class, please email Jenni Gilroy at Glade5thGrade2020@gmail.com. More information will come out soon!

Jenni Gilroy

5th Grade Picnic Chair

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Box Top\$ for Education

Thanks to everyone who has already sent in Box Tops for our February collection. If you have a few sitting there at home, please send them in no later than tomorrow (Friday, 2/21). Also, keep using the new Box Tops app to scan your grocery receipts all year long (look for specially marked packages that indicate eligible items). Let's clip and scan our way to our \$1000 goal for this school year!

AmazonSmile

You shop. Amazon gives. Support Glade Elementary School PTA every time you shop. On your first visit to smile.amazon.com, just select Glade PTA to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. They will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a 0.5% donation.

Shutterfly

Shop at the Glade PTA Storefront at Shutterfly and 8% of your purchase will be donated to our organization. http://gladepta.shutterflystorefront.com/



***Rewards - friendly reminder: Rewards Programs and for families to think about using Amazon Smile and Shutterfly storefront as they shop for Xmas presents

Join the PTA!

PTA Membership is so essential to our success as a school! If you have not signed up yet, please do so at this link: http://gladepta.org/. PTA sponsors SO many amazing things at Glade... Cultural Arts Assemblies, Social Studies/Science Fair, Race for Education, Book Fair, Staff Appreciation, Moms and Muffins and Dads and Donuts, Fall Fest, May Fair, subscriptions all our children enjoy in class, technology upgrades and additions, and SO MUCH MORE!!! Every PTA member will receive an awesome car magnet you can use to show your Glade Pride, everywhere you go!! Magnets are being distributed with PTA Membership cards this month. Don't forget to join!

Parent Volunteers

Glade Parents, if you would like to volunteer for any of our PTA events, field trips, etc., please go online to the Glade Elementary website and complete the volunteer orientation. All volunteers are required to complete the online orientation and sign the confidentiality agreement. This also applies to volunteers from past events who were not aware of this requirement. We thank you!