

THIRD GRADE NEWS

Glen Haven Elementary School December Newsletter

Important Dates:

PTA Book Fair	Dec. 5-9
Club Photos— In School	Dec. 14
Winter Concert All Purpose Room	Dec. 15 7:00- 8:30 p.m.
Winter Break	Dec. 24- Jan. 2
School Re- sumes	Jan.2

Current Academic Units

Our students continue to work hard every day in class to do their best! In Ms. Calkins's, Ms. Stevenson's, and Ms. Harris's Math classes, we are working on our third unit which focuses on multiplication. Students will be utilizing a variety of strategies to multiply including repeated addition, arrays, and the "cookie strategy." We will also continue to work on memorizing our basic addition, subtraction and multiplication facts. In Ms. Mendes's Math class, we are delving into multiplication, studying factors and multiples, evaluating simple algebraic equations, and studying patterns and functions. It is crucial that students in Ms. Mendes's class review their multiplication and division facts nightly. In Social Studies during December, we will be studying the seven continents as well as continuing to work on our map skills. Our science unit is learning about bees and how important they are important to our environment. For Reading/Language Arts, we have been hard at

work learning how to comprehend various texts and write Brief Constructed Responses (BCR'S). We have been reading a variety of books in our reading groups, and learning about main idea and supporting details, cause and effect, and comparing and contrasting. This month we will begin our study of folktales and fables. If you have a folktale from your cultural heritage that your child would like to share, feel free to send it in to be shared with the class. Reading and writing continue to be incorporated throughout the curriculum and is part of each subject that is taught every day.



HOMWORK EXPECTATIONS

Parents, you are our partners. Please try to make sure that your child does the following each night:

- Read for more than 30 minutes.
- Complete all homework assignments.
- Write neatly on all assignments.
- Put their homework folder in their backpacks.

Parent/Teacher Connection

The third grade teachers at Glen Haven Elementary are here every day for your children; and we want to be here for you, too! If you have any questions or concerns about anything your child is experiencing at school (academic or social), please do not hesitate to call upon us to help. We can have a phone conference or meet in person to discuss any issues. Together, we can work it out!

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Eagle Savings Branch

MCT Federal Credit Union has partnered with Glen Haven ES to provide a student-run bank. All students at Glen Haven ES can open an account and make deposits at the Eagle Savings Branch every Thursday morning.

Parents/Guardians and family members are also eligible to join the MCT Federal Credit Union.

To open an account, simply complete the application (we have applications at school) and make an initial deposit of five dollars. If you have any questions, call Mrs. Reynolds at 301-649-8051.