

# Glenolden Gazette

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## Glenolden Works For the Community

By: Julia Bergen and Gracie Hill

On Friday, November 22, 2019 Glenolden School participated in a day called “Community Service Day.” Every grade did something good for the community.

First grade got paired up with eighth grade and they made Snowman Soup together.



Second grade decorated brown paper bags with their own drawings. Those bags were used by the seventh grade. Mrs. Boyer’s

class also ran a sock drive and collected 473 pairs! The socks were donated to Veterans.

Third and fourth grade made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for a local women’s shelter and City Team.

Fifth grade made trail mix. They mixed things like cranberries, cinnamon toast crunch, and chocolate chips.

Sixth grade divided up and some made sleeping bags with Mrs. K for the homeless. The other half of sixth graders collected the school’s recycling and made cards for soldiers. They were supposed to clean the grounds outside of the school, but

the weather ruined that.



Seventh grade made care packages. The care packages were filled with sandwiches, juice boxes, and snacks.

Glenolden School participated in all these activities to help out the community and environment. Overall the school donated 498 pounds of food to local shelters. It was a successful day of giving!



## Holy Smokes: It’s the Back-to-Barbeque!

By: Chelsea McCarthy

On September 13, 2019, Glenolden School held their annual Back to School BBQ. The time was from 5:30 to 7:00, with a Bucs football game rounding it all up. The barbeque was all planned by Ms. Tricome and Mrs. Coyle. It was a great event! The pre-sale ticket was \$3, which

included a hotdog, ice cream, and a soda. Glenolden School also sold soft pretzels.

The barbeque included a raffle for the presale tickets. Student Council helped in planning this wonderful event, as well as the school ambassadors. Families of Glenolden School were happy

as they were dancing, eating, and spending time together.



# Books, Books, and More Books

By: Arabella Haugland and Oumou Kaba

During the week of October 15th through the 18th, Glenolden School held the Scholastic Book Fair for grades 1-8. The Glenolden Gazette had the pleasure of interviewing Ms. Sonya Ryan to find out how the Book Fair gets put together and how the week of Book Fair goes.

*Question: How do you get ready and set up?*

Ms. Ryan: "There are a few meetings we have to do beforehand to get all the information. Then we come in with the eighth graders to move big things around."

*Question: How long does it take to set up?*

Ms. Ryan: "Usually takes about three to four hours."

*Question: How many people usually buy books?*

Ms. Ryan: "Last year we sold about 657 books."

*Question: How do you clean up from the Book Fair?*

Ms. Ryan: "We use eighth graders to put everything back again."

*Question: How long does it take to clean up?*

Ms. Ryan: "Clean up only takes about two hours."

*Question: Where do the donations go*



*to?*

Ms. Ryan: "Kara Bernard Literacy Fund"

*Question: Is the Book Fair a hard job?*

Ms. Ryan: "It's not hard, but it can be exhausting."

To conclude, Glenolden's Book Fair was a great success! With so many different types of books to choose from, it's no wonder why so many students enjoy the Book Fair and can't wait for the next Book Fair in the spring.

## Music to Your Ears

By Madisyn Teel

Glenolden School students in fourth through eighth grade can participate in the school band. According to the band teacher, Mr. Peltz, the easiest instrument to learn notes on is the saxophone, but it is also the hardest instrument to get the right sound. In some grades, more students tend to play some instruments while less students play other instruments. For example,

more of the sixth grade band students play woodwind instruments than those that play brass and percussion instruments.

Glenolden Gazette asked Mr. Peltz, what kind of trips the band will go on this year. The fourth and fifth grade band members are going to Washington DC, and middle school band members are going to the Springfield Mall, a nursing home, and Dorney Park.



At the recent Christmas concert the Glenolden band played, "Hot Cross Buns," "Claire De La Lune," "Merrily We Roll Along," "Good King Wenceslas," "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas," "Frosty The Snowman," and "Jingle Bells." The band members worked hard to put on a great performance.

## Be a BUDDY not a BULLY!

By: Aimee-Mae Rugh and Danielle Watson

Why do people bully? Maybe because they were bullied in the past. Mrs. Cronin and Mr. Snyder do their best to prevent bullying. Mrs. Cronin, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Stubbe teach bullying programs to try to prevent bullying from happening.

In October the school had kindness month and Mrs. Cronin coordinated the activities. Glenolden School sold kindness shirts, students made cards for

other students, and parents, police officers, and teachers welcomed the students as they came into school. The cards that the students made for each other were to help kids feel better about themselves. The morning greeting from the parents, police, and teachers were to help kids feel confident. There was even a Kindness Walk that was for the whole district of Interboro. Unfortunately, the Kindness Walk was rescheduled to another day



because of rain. The Kindness Walk is a walk around Interboro and it's showing kindness to all the people to make them feel proud and happy.

After reading this article of the things Glenolden School does to stop bullying, just know be a Buddy, not a Bully. Just be kind!

# Spooky Trunk or Treat

By: Nalini Charles-Belizaire

At Glenolden School, on October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Trunk or Treat took place in the playground of the school. At Trunk or Treat, parents and kids decorate their cars. Parents give out candy to the different kids that come around to their cars.

There were some amazing and creative cars and costumes. Some of the different cars included Chick-fil-a, Skeleton, and a Stranger Things trunk. The different costumes included Harley Quinn, Uma and Mal from The Descendants, Chick-fil-a cows, Steven Universe, Fortnite, Genie, different cartoon characters, animals, and superheroes.

The following are questions that Glenolden Gazette asked Truck or Treat participants.

*Question: Why did you come to the Trunk or Treat?*

Kelly Angel (parent) said, "Because I like Halloween and my son comes to this school."

Kayla O'Rouke, in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade said, "For the candy!"

Kiera McCarron, in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade

said, "Because it's fun and I get free candy."

Bella Napoliello, in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade said, "I came because it's fun and I volunteered to give out candy."

*Question: Do you like the event?*

Kelly Angel said, "It's going well!" Kayla O'Rouke said "I like it. I'm getting free candy."

Kiera McCarron said, "It's awesome!"

Bella Napoliello said, "It was good!"

*Question: What do you like about the Trunk or Treat? And what do you dislike?*

*Likes:*  
Kelly Angel said, "I like that it is in one spot."

Kayla O'Rouke: "You get to be in a costume."

Kiera McCarron said, "I like all of the trunks!"

Bella Napoliello said, "I like seeing all the kids in costume."

*Dislikes:*

Kelly Angel: "There is nothing I really don't like."

Kiera McCarron said, "I dislike all of the Fortnite characters."

Bella Napoliello said, "I don't dislike anything."

The trunks that won the contest were Bone Appetite, Night of the Museum, and the Skeleton Truck. They were very creative! Next year you should come down to Glenolden's Trunk or Treat and have a great time!



## 5th Grade Fabulous to 6th Grade Happiness

By: Scarlet Kiely and Alexis Albright

Do you think that things are actually harder in middle school? Well, the middle school students will tell you the truth. Some things that make middle school different are more clubs, reward trips, and following the bell schedule.

The middle school students have more clubs to participate in. There is Newspaper Club, which you did not have in elementary grades. If you decide to do Art Club you have to be on top of the dates, so you don't miss out on the

fun. There is also Reading Olympics and the books are harder to read.

In middle school, the students have reward trips. They are very fun, you leave school and do fun things like bowling and snow tubing! If you want to attend, you can only get a certain amount of letters in your Agenda Book. Some trips, you leave school and do fun things like bowling and snow tubing! If you get suspended, you cannot go on the field trip. You must get your agenda book signed each night, and if not, you will get a letter.



Middle school students must follow the bell schedule. The bells are normally on time, but sometimes they are not working correctly. The teachers follow the bell schedule. The bells go off two times, then three minutes later they go off another two times and after that you will be late for class, and that's not good!

Now that you've read this, are you sure you want to come to sixth grade?

## Second Grade Showstoppers!

By: Bella Napoliello and Meghan Giomboni

On November 22nd, the second graders at Glenolden School put on an amazing show called Peacemakers. The show is about kindness and respect. They worked hard and practiced for it for ten weeks with Mrs. Cronin and the second grade teachers.

Mrs. Cronin hosted the show and taught them a lot about

being peacemakers – being kind and respectful to everyone. The first graders had a chance to watch the show along with parents, teachers, and other students.

The second grade students performed eight songs. Some of the second graders were chosen to be announcers and tell the audience

what the songs were called and the meaning behind the songs. They even dressed up according to each song that they sang, created signs, and used props like flower headbands, sun glasses, and top hats.

In the end they learned how to be peacemakers and the true meaning of kindness and friendship.



# Get Art Smart

By: Lara Paris-Hyden and Krystal Miller

Art Club is a club that was made a long time ago by Glenolden School's Art teacher, Mrs. Davis. It starts in the fall with the middle school students, then goes into the colder to warmer months with the elementary students. Art Club has exclusive art projects that Mrs. Davis can't do with an entire class. The different clubs can work with clay, painting, weaving, etc. Art Club is a great way to meet new people and make friends from other classes. You have the chance to make new things and work with things you normally wouldn't be able to in the regular Art class.

Mrs. Davis agreed to an interview with the Glenolden Gazette. See the following for the questions and answers.

*Question: Why did you start the Art Club?*

Mrs. Davis: "Because I can do things with Art Club that I can't do with an entire grade. Some of the supplies I buy myself and can't afford to buy for an entire grade. So, a group of about ten is just easier. Not everyone wants to work with some things while others do, so they sign up for Art Club!"

*Question: When did you start Art Club?*

Mrs. Davis: "Many years ago when I first started working here."

*Question: Do you do the same activities each year or do you switch them up?*

Mrs. Davis: "I switch them up. I get a

lot of 6th graders joining Art Club and they don't want to do the same thing in 7th and 8th grade. However, I use a lot of different mediums of the same things, for example, clay. I use clay a lot but just use it in different ways."

*Question: How many kids normally join Art Club?*

Mrs. Davis: "Well I usually cap it at either 12 or 15 because I can't work with groups bigger than that. Sometimes I have kids that don't show up or forget about it, so usually I'll have between 8 and 10 kids show up."

*Question: What's your favorite project in Art Club?*

Mrs. Davis: "Well, I don't really have a favorite. I like all the things we do, especially since the projects we do are ones that I'll enjoy too. But some of the ones that I would probably put for my top three would probably be painting, clay, and the tie dye shirts I do with the younger grades."

*Question: What's your least favorite thing about Art Club?*

Mrs. Davis: "There is nothing that I really hate about Art Club. I love everything about it."

While some of the students have been in Art Club for years, others are just starting. But no matter how long they have been participating in Art Club they all seem to love it!

One student wanted to speak about Art Club because he has been to almost all of them. This student had a

few favorites but one that he really liked was the clay mugs with faces on them.

The students said that they molded the clay, then once that process was over, they separately molded the faces and put the clay in the kiln. Once it is fully hardened, Mrs. Davis then takes it out and gives it to the participants. Then they glaze it in any color they would like to and once again it is put in the kiln, then it is done. This student has been participating in Art Clubs for three years and has been able to experience so many of these wonderful art projects throughout the years.

Another student's favorite project was the pumpkin canvas. This was this person's first time going to Art Club, but they enjoyed it quite a bit.

The process of the canvas Art Club is simple - you trace your pumpkin, then mix some colors to find different shades, and make a draw under the pumpkin. Then you again mix some colors to find a shade of orange that would fit the pumpkin. The participants also had a choice of teal, but Mrs. Davis had ran out of, so they stuck with their different shades of orange and made the best match they could.

To sum this all up, the students at Glenolden greatly enjoy Art Club and hope it will still be here for many years to come. Thank you Mrs. Davis!



## Middle School MASK-arade

By: Aaliyah Manton

Halloween is a time where people can be anyone or anything they choose to be. This year, Glenolden's student council planned a MASK-arade. Students could dress up and wear a mask and have fun! Activities at the dance included Trick-Or-Treat cups, raffles for jars of candy, and a bake sale.

The Trick-Or-Treat cups were filled with candy and/or weird objects like bouncy eyeballs, paperclips and more. This was a really fun game because it was always a surprise what you got! Other objects in the cups were snickers,

crunch bars, and more. The cups were 25 cents, which were not expensive, so the game was open to more people. The cups were wrapped in orange wrapping paper and you threw a ping pong ball through the cup.

The raffles for jars of candy were to raise money. They had skittles, M&M's, and more inside. You could also keep the jar too! In order to win, you would have to guess the amount of candy in the jar.

Lastly, the bake sale was to raise

money for the 8th grade. Treats included cupcakes, cookies and more! Treats were brought in by several students and teachers. They were very affordable. This was a huge hit at the dance.

In conclusion, the dance was a very fun time. Aside from these three activities, the song playlist was absolutely amazing and everyone had a fun time.



# Showing your Spirit

By: Daniela Calderon-Rodriquez

Spirit days are certain days in the year when you can step away from the regular gold, black, white, and grey outfits the students wear all the other days, and instead they can be creative and bring the kids in the school together through a theme. Here are that already happened and also the days you can look forward too.

Sept. 12: Crazy hat/ hair day- This was a day wear you can wear your craziest hat or do your hair as weird as you'd like. You could put little objects in it or not brush it, and nobody would question it.



Oct. 10: Mismatch Day- On this day you can switch up colors and patterns in your outfit.



Nov. 14: Cartoon Character Day- You can dress up as your favorite cartoon character from your favorite shows.

Dec. 12: Ugly Sweater Day- You can wear the ugliest sweater in your closet that you probably wouldn't wear out on any other day.



Jan. 9: Dress Alike Day- On this day, you and your friends can all be twins together.

Feb 13: P.J. Day- This day is when you can wear your comfiest pajamas and slippers around the school.

March 19: Sports Spirit Day- You can dress up as your favorite sports team.

April 16: Super Hero Day- You can dress up as your favorite superhero.

May 14: Patriotic Day- On this day you can wear red, white, and blue to show your love for our country.

June 4: Beach Day- On this day you can come in your sunglasses, hats, and sandals to make it feel like summer in school.

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