

Glen Loch Elementary PTO Meeting

Date | time Monday, October 4, 2021 | Pre-recorded Mtg | PTO Chat@ 7pm | Meeting called by Sarah Pounders

Board members

| Sarah Pounders, President | Maria Griffith, 1^a VP | Celina Bautovich, 2^{ad} VP | Sarah Taylor, 3^{ad} VP | Victoria Cooper, Treasurer | Kelly Pavlovsky Financial Secretary | Jennifer Grant, Secretary |

Item Presented by:

Welcome/Introduction/Approve Minutes

Sarah Pounders

Old Business:

- 1) **Teacher Appreciation Event** Thank you to everyone who brought food for the September Teachers Luncheons! And thank you to everyone who donated towards the Hospitality fund too!
- 2) **Spirit Shirts Delivered** thank you for your patience, as it took much longer than usual to get our order. If you have any problems with your order contact Sarah Pounders at president@glenlochpto.com ASAP
- 3) Fall Fundraiser First in Afternoon Car Rider Line raised \$350. With the funding raised, the PTO donated \$500 to Mrs. Wolf to buy new books for the library

New Business:

- 4) **Family Events:** Spirit Event at **Raising Cane's** on Research Forest Drive on October 5^a from 11 AM to 11 PM; **Center Court Pizza** on Gosling Road on October 20^a from 11 AM to 10 PM.
- 5) **Yearbooks are now available.** Order by October 31* to get the lowest price of \$25. Orders are placed online at: balfour.com
- 6) **Yearbook Photos** share photos for the yearbook by October 31st and be entered into a raffle to win a \$25 Amazon Gift Card. Details about how to share photos available at glenlochpto.com
- 7) **Teacher Appreciation Event** October 29^a. The Hospitality Committee will be hosting a Halloween Snack Bar for our teachers this month. More details and a Sign Up Genius coming soon!
- 8) Glen Loch Garden Prep Day October 9th
- 9) Gator Run: November 5th Packets with more details coming soon!
- 10) Teacher and Staff Favorites Things List Updated
- 11) **Save the Dates:** Holiday Craft Morning December 4th and Spring Fling April 8th

Volunteers & Committees

- 1) Connect: PTO Email List and Facebook Page
- 2) Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Principal's Report

Cassie Hertzenberg

Grade Level Reports: See Below

Kindergarten:

 Continuing to work on letters/ sounds in phonics, and learning how to be 'word detectives' Item Presented by:

and tell' item from home. They will write about this item and continue working on writing the sounds they hear in words.

- In math we just wrapped up comparing numbers, and are digging more into numbers 0-20. We are focusing on teen numbers and being able to read them, write them, and represent the numbers.
- In science & social studies, we just wrapped up our unit on heating and cooling. We are starting to learn about maps and globes/ geography.
- On October 25th we will celebrate the 50th day of school with a '50s Dress up Day' and fun activities based on the number 50.

Resource:

 We are currently working on their IEP goals, starting partner reading and graphing fluency, and working on addition and subtraction with and without regrouping in math.

1st Grade:

- In reading we just started a new unit on becoming, "word detectives." In phonics we are focusing on Names, and all the things we can learn from looking at them. (ex: sounds, blends, syllables etc.)
- In Writing, we are wrapping up small moments, and about to begin "How-To Writing."
- In Science we are wrapping up matter
- In social studies we are learning about maps.

Second Grade:

- In reading, we started the traditional literature unit. We will be working on identifying the characters in a story, the setting and the problem/solution.
- In writing we are working on creating a realistic fiction story, making sure we incorporate the elements of fiction in a realistic setting.
- In math, we continue to work finding the value of collections of coins. We are introducing the quarter to the collections this week.
- In science we continue learning about the properties of matter.
- In social studies we are working on learning to read a map.

Third Grade:

- Reading: We are in our Traditional Literature Unit. We will be moving into Drama next, then Nonfiction.
- *** Students will be taking a Reading Midpoint Check on Friday. Then,
 we will have a Growth party on Monday. We will be watching Jack and
 the Beanstalk then following up with a Reading activity to include:
 theme, sequencing, plot, and making inferences, and making predictions.
- Writing: Students are having a blast adapting fairy tales, such as: Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, The Three Billy Goat Gruff, etc. We will be moving into Informational Writing after this unit.
- Math: We're wrapping up our Addition and Subtraction with regrouping unit. We will have our Common Assessment on October 6th and our first Growth Party on October 7th!
- Science: We've been observing changes in matter and physical properties of matter through several different activities.
- Social Studies: We have been learning about geographic regions, the environment (including natural and manmade resources), and how humans interact with the environment.

4th Grade:

 Reading- We are working on drama clubs and acting out our dramas and the students are loving it! Item Presented by:

 Writing- The students have been working on their realistic fiction stories and the students are having so much fun getting creative with their writing.

- Math- We just finished up our addition and subtraction unit and we are starting our multiplication and division unit where we will be learning how to use long division for the first time.
- Science- We are starting our unit on circuits and learning about how electricity flows. We are also learning about the different types of energy we see each day.
- Social Studies- We are learning all about Native American in Texas.

Specials:

Art- In art we have finished up our self portraits. We are learning about art in our community and starting some fall art projects. The week of Oct. 12th 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade will working with Mrs. Pounders on planting milkweed in the school garden and doing some art projects related to pollinators.

Computers- 3rd and 4th graders are doing a fantastic job on Typing.com! 2nd graders are working on learning where the keys are on the keyboards with some online and offline activities. Kindergarten and 1st grade are going to start learning to control a mouse and trackpad gestures with offline activities, before introducing them to using chrome books.

PE- Gearing up for Gator Run..lots of running so remember to wear good tennis shoes to PE.

Library- K-1 students are learning about Skoob our library elf and learning how to take care of books. 2nd- Working on checking out the "just right book". 3-4 Learning and Listening to Book Podcasts on GoKidsGo.com

Music- 4th Grade is beginning memorization work on music for their Veteran's Day Program. Choir invitations are coming soon! All other grade levels have just finished their beginning of the year units, mostly reviewing known concepts from last year. Each grade will soon begin a unit introducing a new rhythmic or melodic element.

Special Ed- We are currently working on their IEP goals, starting partner reading and graphing fluency, and working on addition and subtraction with and without regrouping in math.

Treasurer's Report/Budget

Questions/Comments/Concerns

Join Zoom Chat at 7 pm on Monday, October 4^a. Link will be sent via PTO email