



Glenview Glimpse October 2017

Welcome to the 35th year of Glenview Center for Child Care and Learning. On Thursday October 26 from 4:30-6:00 P.M. we will be having a 35th Birthday- Open House Celebration. We hope you will stop by! Our theme will be “Our Families” and we are hoping to decorate the hallways with Family posters from all of you and all of the teachers! (See the enclosed survey/explanation called Family Homework on page 8)

As well, this month we will be collecting items for a Time Capsule in honor of Glenview’s birthday that will be planted somewhere on the grounds depending on how many items we collect and decide to use. Talk to your children and family members about what is important to you, our community and nation right now in 2017 and make a contribution for future generations. We will collect all items and display them in the gym that night before deciding. There will be cake and donuts and cider as well!

This fall has turned out to be a very busy one as we have also just gotten the directive from the Ohio Department of Education that we need to submit all of our paperwork for the Step Up to Quality Program by October 8th. Step Up to Quality is certification process for quality early childhood education. While it has been a voluntary program for child care in Ohio, all ODE preschool programs have a mandatory directive to take part. There will be a desk review and licensing and SUTQ specialist will be in to rate our program sometime this fall. The review looks at all aspects of our program, for example our curriculum and planning policies, child screening and assessment, classrooms, program administration, staff management, staff education and professional development, staff supports and a huge family and community partnership component. It has been a very busy time this past month as we try to pull documents to provide evidence of what we do.

In preparation, we have spent the last year assessing our program and our classrooms through parent surveys and conversations with parents. Through these conversations, we heard that parents wanted more communication on a daily basis. While Friends of Glenview meetings have low attendance, and parents are already too busy, how do we meet this need? One positive step forward is that we will soon be part of the Bay Village School communication system, School Messenger which should allow for us to communicate through emails and texts more easily. Secondly, Bay Village School has a new website in which Glenview has its own page. This website will allow us to post our calendar and volunteer opportunities and give us another tool to communicate more efficiently. Thirdly, we now have a closed-group Facebook page for Glenview. Look for us on Facebook and send us a request!

At the May Friends of Glenview meeting, it was also suggested that we try to get a Parent Representative for each room. These parent representatives would assist the teachers in helping us communicate with all the parents by emailing reminders about events, items a teacher may need and also serve as an advisory board to the Director where we could have virtual meetings if issues come up. Are you interested? We are looking for a few volunteers! Please speak to me or email me if you are interested in helping with your child’s classroom.

I would like to give a special thank you to parents, Kelli Milos and Jillian Eddy who have been advising me, giving me great suggestions and also helped review our updated Parent Handbook which will be published as soon as it is approved by the Board of Education. Thank you for helping us improve Glenview!

New Staff Members:

Please welcome our new teachers and staff members! This summer and spring brought lots of changes but these wonderful teachers have already contributed great things to our program.



Jackie Barnewall is a familiar face at Glenview as she first came to us as an Educational Aide when she was a Senior at Bay High School. Since then she has gone on to earn her Early Education degree at Ashland College. Jackie has been a substitute teacher for us and for the District for many years and we are so excited that she is joining us as a Toddler teacher, co-teaching with Becky McAlea in Room 107 as Megan Wiedt moved to our Preschool Room. Jackie worked in the Infant-Toddler program at LCCC and has wonderful experience with this age group.

Jessica Geyser joined us this summer and is a teacher in our PreK room. Jessica graduated from The College of Wooster and has a license in Early Childhood Education Prek-3. She has been a Kindergarten teacher at Le Chaperone Rouge and a PreK teacher at KinderCare. We feel so lucky to have her experience and knowledge join our PreK room as we begin the process of using the state mandatory Early Learning Assessment on all our preschool students.



In our After School Program we welcome three new teachers. Kaley Killeen is the lead teacher in our First Grade Room. Kaley is working towards her Education degree at Cleveland State University. Her enthusiasm and love of children can already be seen in her warm, welcoming room. Stop by and make sure to ask her about her Acts of Kindness Tree!

Kaley is assisted by Hilary Keberdle. Hilary is a Mom of three very active children and is a lunch time volunteer at St. Raphaels. She is a graduate of John Carroll and Cleveland State law school.



Debra Novotny has a long resume and experience in childcare and After School Programs She recently was the Director of the Next Generation Child Development Center in Avon Lake and before that she was their Lead School-Age teacher. She is happy to be back working with the children directly and she has been a calming voice for us as she has already been through the Step Up to Quality review!

Brenda McCumber is assisting in the 2nd Grade Room. Brenda is new to the After School field. She is the Mom of a special needs daughter and wanted to use her skills to work with children.



Program Evaluation Surveys will be coming In November

Classroom reports:

Infant Room:

Welcome to the Infant Room. This new school year we welcome our new families – the Van Dynes, the Sedlaks, the Cammocks and the Forans and one alumni family the Kantors!

Please be sure to have a jacket (and maybe a hat) on hand for your child as we will be going for wagon rides to check out the fall foliage and animals we see along the way.

Also you may want to change out your child's spare clothes to warmer outfits. Please take home all your summer swimwear and swimmer diapers.

We look forward to taking care of your little ones.

Lorri Krauss, Cindy Szekely, Megan Lyman (PM teachers) Kim Dockrill, Bridget Maloney Rodman and Mary Waters (AM)

Toddler Room:

New Friends and Fun!

Toddlers are busy making new friends and exploring new activities. We have enjoyed parachute time in the gym, running in courtyard, and climbing on the playground. Toddlers relish in painting, molding playdough, and bead stringing.

We practice cooperation by holding hands as we move in the hallways.

Toddlers continue sharing lessons daily during free play and guided activities.

Toddlers love the new shape song we incorporated into circle time. Ask your child what does a circle look like! We have appreciated the old favorite books like *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and *Down by the Station*. They have enjoyed new books like *The Mommy Book*, *Polar Bear Polar Bear*, and *That's not my Dinosaur*.

Visit your local library to share these books at home. We look forward to learning about apples and pumpkins. There are many fun activities planned to explore these Fall Favorites. Be on the lookout for Color Days beginning soon. Toddlers can wear the color of the day and share a toy from home that matches that color. Last but not least, the Toddlers revel in their visits to the LENS for Frogs and Polliwogs (teachers get a kick out of it too!).



Just a few housekeeping notes....

- Please dress your child in comfortable play clothing. We tend to get messy while exploring different textures and elements!
- Self-help skills: please practice using a spoon at mealtimes. For those who are potty training, please encourage your child to pull up their pants.
- Support hand washing at home

Becky McAlea, Jackie Barnewall, Lisa Duncan and Karin Gutwill

Preschool:

Things are off to a busy start in the preschool room. We would like to welcome all of the new families to Glenview and to our room. It has been great getting to know each other thus far. We are working hard to build independence and strengthen our social emotional skills. For example, we are working on using words to express our feelings; putting on our own socks, shoes and coats and eating with proper utensils and drinking from a cup. No sippy cups in the Preschool Room! Please encourage these behaviors at home. You will be amazed at how much your son/daughter is capable of with a bit of time and patience.

In the coming weeks we will be assessing each child to see their skills and allow us to plan more intently. We will go over this information and ask for your input in November during our conferences. We are looking forward to exploring the changes outside as fall approaches. Apples and pumpkins are just a few of the topics we will be covering. We will continue to work on social/emotional skills and fine motor activities.

Thank you for trusting and allowing us to care for your son/daughter. We are all looking forward to this school year.

Frances Csarny, Carol Ehrbar and Megan Wiedt.

PreK:

The PreK class has been very busy getting to know each other and our classroom. We have been learning to use kind words to each other. We are responsible for our own belongings and put them away each day.

We have also been exploring our room. We play with blocks and legos which allows us to use our engineering skills. We participate in calendar and weather each day which helps us to count and understand science concepts. These are just a few examples of our daily activities.

Please check our white board as it is updated daily with what has happened in our room during the day.

Thank you for checking both mailboxes each day.

We are very excited about the upcoming year!

Ruth Saur, Valerie Barnewall and Jessica Geysler



Kindergarten Readiness:

We are off to a great start this school year and we look forward to seeing what the rest of the year has in store! It is that time of year when we all turn 5 years olds, so we are having so much fun celebrating birthdays.

We love building with tracks, playing our musical instruments and have taken a love for Pete the Cat. We can't wait to start our fall season with Apple Week! More information about Apple Week to come!

We are grateful for a smooth transition into Kindergarten Readiness and we are excited to continue to play learn and explore!
Melissa Hansen

Congratulation to Melissa Hansen and Greg Persons who will be getting married October 28!

SEED Ms. Carla:

Welcome back! Class is in full swing with lots of new faces. For Mindful Mondays we are working on whole body listening at story time and trading toys during play. We have a raccoon from the Natural History Museum that gives us lots to talk about. At the end of September we will be doing a "meet the teacher" field trip at Miller's apple orchard.

Carla Farrington, Dawnitta Radcliffe, Molly Haley

SEED Ms Sue:

The school year is off to a great start in room 104, Ms. Sue's SEED classroom! We are busy learning rules and routines and practicing skills. We have talked all about Us and our Families and will be moving on to Apples as we get ready for our apple picking in a couple of weeks...but first, the AM class wants to talk about bears and the PM class wants to talk about pets! Lots of fun learning and growing skills are happening daily! What a fun bunch of little people!

Sue Satow, Birgit Rudden, Beth Schwede

Kindergarten is Kicking!

We have a great group of 23 children this year. Ms. Audrey and Mr. Luke will continue to be the teachers in our room. We are excited for what this year holds.

Kindergarten has just completed a multi-week unit on architects constructing buildings and skyscrapers and learning about bridges and how to build them. Their imagination and creativity has truly amazed us!

As our class approaches a new season, fall, we will experience it from many angles, including creating artwork using nature to inspire.

In addition we will be working on strengthening different character traits focusing on a different one each month. October's feature trait is kindness.

We are excited for what is ahead and are looking forward to seeing them grow!

Audrey Walker and Luke Reid



First Grade:

We are busy getting to know each other. While we have been working on our math skills through fun games and reading funny books together, our first emphasis has been on being kind to each other. We are making an Act of Kindness tree where we put on leaves when we catch each other doing kind things for each other. We are busy filling those branches!

Please let us know if we can help with your child's homework or if you prefer to do it at home. Also if there is any other ways we can help support your children.

We are looking forward to a great year!

Kaley Killeen and Hilary Keberdle

Second Grade:

Thank you all for making us feel welcomed and I am enjoying getting to know the children and all of the families. This month, we are busy exploring fall and spiders. Bats will be coming up!

We are working hard on our social skills as well. Our main focus is being kind to one another and what that means and how do we do it.

Debra Novotny and Brenda McCumber

Third Grade:

Hello to Glenview Awesome Third Graders and families. I am so excited to be reunited with them.

This year the students will be making the decisions as to what activities they would like to do each week. As I recall, the students enjoyed participating in science experiments, competitive games and they are very talented artists. All students will have a voice in the process so start thinking of some fun and unique ideas!

Please feel free to stop by our new classroom and see all the exciting action!

Eileen Burke and Kim Dockrill

4th and 5th Grades

Welcome to the Fourth Grade as I am so glad to see so many familiar families and some new ones. Our school year has been off to a great start as we have had some exciting soccer and football games and the girls are busy with their crafts and their musical talents. Most important we are working hard during our homework and reading time! I try to remind all the students that you can never have too many friends.

So here is to a great year in fourth and fifth grades and hear is to having lots of fun!

Welcome Back,

JoAnn Loescher

SCHOOL PICTURE DAYS!



Pictures of the Infant, Toddlers and the SEED classrooms will be taken Thursday, October 19th.

Preschool, PreK and K-Readiness Pictures will be taken on Friday, October 20th.

- ✓ Classroom pictures are taken first starting at 9:00 AM sharp. Individual shots will be taken immediately after.
- ✓ If you are not scheduled for that day you may come in at 9:30 Am and we will take your child's picture first.
- ✓ If you wish a family shot of your children together they will be taken on the day of the youngest child scheduled picture day. Individual order forms need to be written out for each class and for each different order.



Announcing..... Monday, January 29, 2018

Independence and Your Child's Learning – The Need for Responsibility

A Panel discussion for Parents and Teachers on Self-Help Skills, Learning Responsibility and Why and How it Affects your Child's Learning.

- Learn why independence and responsibility affect all aspects of learning and development.
- Learn specific techniques and tips for all age groups
- Ask specific questions and share about your challenges and successes

Victoria Todd, Psychoanalyst and Consultant from Hanna Perkins

Sue Satow, Early Childhood Intervention Specialist, Bay Village School District,

Becky Peters, Early Childhood Intervention Specialist, Bay Village School District

Ruth Saur, General Education Teacher

Moderator: **Dody Chadwick**, Director of Glenview Center



The Indians will begin postseason play on October 5th!

We will have Cleveland Indians Day and are asking everyone to dress in their "Indians Best" or red, white and blue colors to celebrate the start of the postseason on Thursday, October 5th!

Two playoff tickets have been generously donated to Glenview and we will be having a raffle for all Glenview families and staff to participate in.

The 2 tickets are for the game Friday, October 6th. They are located in Lower Box Section 129 .

We will be selling raffle tickets for \$1 each for chances to win the tickets. Please see your classroom teacher to purchase tickets. Anyone can purchase a chance to win! The drawing for the tickets will be held on Thursday, October 5th

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUBS:

Does your child love books? Lisa Duncan, Toddler teacher, runs the Scholastic Book Club orders for Glenview Center. They have books for all ages and you can easily buy them by going on line, looking at this month's selection and ordering the books you want!

Ordering online is fast and easy:

1. Visit www.scholastic.com/readingclub
2. Enter the one-time Class Activation Code: LYD6T
3. Shop from a careful selection of the best books, value packs and eBooks
4. Submit your order and earn FREE books for Glenview!

The books will be shipped to Lisa at Glenview and she will make sure you receive them.



Happy 35th Birthday Glenview!

Come help us celebrate Glenview and our families!

OPEN HOUSE THURSDAY OCTOBER 26, 4:30-6:00 P.M.

- ❖ Walk through the building! See what we are doing in each classroom!
- ❖ Talk to our teachers.
- ❖ Have a donut, a piece of cake as you socialize with other families!
- ❖ Add an item to our Time Capsule that will be buried on the grounds celebrating the year 2017!

Volunteers needed to help greet families, help in the gym with refreshments. Let Dody know if you can help!



Family Homework:

For our October 26th Open House, we want to celebrate all our families and teachers!

We are asking each family and teacher to display a poster about your family to see what we have in common and how we are different!

Listed below are a few *suggestions* that you might want to include on your poster:

- Family name
- Family members
- Favorite family books, movies, televisions shows, computer games
- Favorite foods
- Favorite Music/songs
- Favorite things to do as a family
- Please add any extra fun facts about your family!

Construction paper will be available in each classroom for you to use to make the poster.

Please return to your classroom teacher by October 20th so we have time to hang them. If you don't have the time to do a poster, if you could answer the above questions and give them to the office, we will help your child make one! Should you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Ms. Jessica or Ms. Ruth in PreK. Ruth.Saur@bayschoolsohio.org

SAVE THE DATE:

Week of October 16: **K-Readiness Parent Conferences**

Monday, October 16, 7:00 PM: **Preschool Parent Meeting with Vickie Todd about STOP program**

Week of October 23: **PreK Conferences**

October 19 & 20th: **School Picture Day**

Friday, October 20th: **Family Posters returned to Glenview**

Thursday, October 26, 4:30-6:00: **Glenview Open House and 35th Birthday Party**

Week of November 6: **Preschool Conferences**

Week of November 13: **Infant and Toddler Parent Conferences**

Week of December 5-9, 2016: **K-Readiness Conferences**

Tuesday, December 12: **Preschool Holiday Program 4:30 PM**

Wednesday, December 13: **K-Readiness Holiday Program 4:30 PM**

Thursday, December 14: **PreK Holiday Program, 4:30-5:30 PM**