

January 2023: Happy New Year!

GLEBE GIFTED SERVICES

Second Quarter Newsletter



HIGHLIGHTING HOUR OF CODE

December 5th-11th was Computer Science Education Week. All K-5 students in Glebe participated in Hour of Code during STEM class or with their homerooms. Coding is a great way to encourage flexible thinking and problem solving. K and 1st graders met the Ozobot robot and used color codes to program its movement. 2nd, 3rd and 4th graders participated in the Code.org Dance Party with the support of volunteers from Accenture. 3rd, 4th and 5th grade classes participated in activities during STEM with support of Project RESET and Amazon. If your child would like to continue coding at home, a choice board in the home resources section has some fun follow-up activities to try.

GIFTED SERVICES INFO

Thank you to those families who attended the November 1st PTA meeting to learn about Gifted Services at Glebe. If you were unable to attend, the presentation has been recorded and shared on the Glebe website. You can access the link below:

<https://glebe.apsva.us/curriculum/gifted-services/>



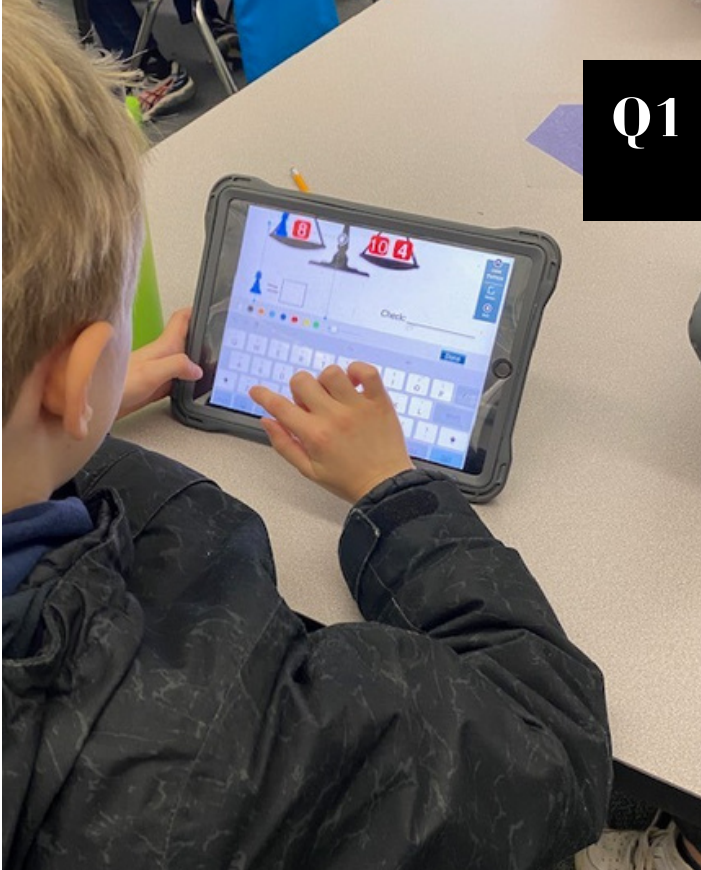
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Many jobs	Expensive	More people
Museums	Traffic	Mass transit
Restaurants	Pollution	Shopping
Parks	Crime	Close to airport

TRY THIS AT HOME!

A simple way to encourage critical and creative thinking with all ages is to ask your child the **Pluses, Minuses and Interesting things** about a topic. For example, what are the pluses, minuses and interesting things about having a snow day? With this structure, kids learn to weigh pros and cons to help develop a solution or decision.

Q1 CURRICULUM SPOTLIGHT HANDS ON EQUATIONS



Hands on Equations introduces students to a physical and intuitive model of the world of basic algebra. Students learn to transform a given abstract equation into a physical representation and then learn "legal moves" to help simplify and solve the given equations. 3rd and 5th graders have used this program in the 2nd quarter to challenge their mathematical thinking.

HOME RESOURCES

Coding Choiceboard:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-rPUF6oLqNd45hRqB_2HdnZjZggrb6xL/view?usp=sharing



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You can reach me via e-mail (Rachel.Landry@apsva.us) if you have any questions throughout the year. I am also active on Twitter and often share lesson highlights each week. I look forward to connecting with many of you soon!

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