Dear Glover Families,

It was another wonderful week here at Glover! Wally was a big hit and it was wonderful to see all of our walkers and bikers arriving with big smiles on Wednesday! Be sure to follow us on Twitter @gloverschool to check out pictures of the latest Glover Kids, the winners of the Golden Spatula, and other awesome moments captured!

As part of my morning announcements and our daily work in classrooms, we are beginning a unit on "Skills for Learning". This month, we will focus on four separate skills for learning. This week's skill for learning: **Listening**. Here is the language we have been using with our Glover Kids about listening:

"At our school, we all work hard to be the best learners we can be. One skill for learning is to listen with attention. When we listen with attention, our eyes are watching the speaker, our ears are listening, our voices are quiet, and we're still."

Next week, we'll learn about **Focusing Attention**.

Student Leadership Team:

All fourth and fifth grade students who applied to be a part of the Student Leadership Team should have come home with a letter on Thursday. Our kick-off meeting (and our only after-school commitment) is THIS TUESDAY, October 10, from 3:20-4:00. Students will find out their team, meet their mentor, and plan out their project. Students should arrange for transportation home.

Glover Extracurricular Activities (GLEA):

Thank you for your overwhelming interest in our extracurricular activity clubs sent home on Tuesday! Regrettably, we've had so much interest in some of the groups that we've had to close registration. Please know that we will have another session in the spring. If you have any questions, please contact me or Mrs. Bodkin at mbodkin@miltonps.org. GLEA classes start next week!

PTO and Diversity Committee Rescheduling:

Glover's Site Council is presenting at School Committee on Wednesday, October 25. For that reason, we are *again* going to have to reschedule our meeting. It's proving difficult to find a night that works for all so the PTO meeting will be on Wednesday, October 18 at 7pm at Glover- all are welcome! Our Diversity Committee meeting will have to be postponed until the next joint PTO/Diversity Committee meeting and Movie Night on Wednesday, November 15.

Breakfast at Glover:

Just a reminder...for just \$1.25, your child can have a healthy, balanced hot or cold breakfast. Families can drop students off any time after 8:15 at the *side door of the cafeteria*. Please do not drop students at the front doors as we don't have supervision there at 8:15. If your child qualifies for free/reduced lunch, breakfast is free. You don't have to sign up in advance...you can just come any morning you'd like!

Parent Speaker Series:

On October 19, 2017 in the MHS auditorium from 7-9pm, Maria Trozzi will present "Finding Resilience -Strategies to produce competent and confident children (K-12), able to successfully navigate a complicated world". Join Dr. Trozzi, resilience expert, author, respected speaker and assistant professor of pediatrics, emeritus, at Boston University School of Medicine for an interactive and enlightening conversation about the new stresses of parenting our children and adolescents today. Parents of young children and adolescents often worry that if they are not doing everything as parents, they are doing nothing. Trozzi's refreshing and honest approach focuses on parents' choices and courage to consider the longer view. She distills the information overload of what's really important and offers evidence-based strategies to produce competent and confident children, able to successfully navigate a complicated world. Please see attached for additional information.

Glover Lantern Walk!

Please mark your calendars for this fun Glover tradition! We will be joined by the Tucker community for a walk around Turner's Pond with our lanterns! On Wednesday, Oct 25th at 3:30 pm, we will be having our Lantern Making Workshop. Students must be picked up by a grown-up and brought to the workshop in the art room. Simply bring a 2-liter plastic bottle and a few dollars for the bake sale! Enjoy your snacks as you begin creating your artistic lanterns in the Glover Art Room with your children. Please remember to bring a 2-liter plastic bottle, feel free to cut the top off before you come. On Friday, October 27th at 6:30pm, we will have our Lantern Walk around Turner's Pond. Bring your lanterns for a walk around the pond to be followed by donuts and cider by the front door of Glover School. Glover Gear will be available for purchase as well (cash, check, credit card).

Turner's Pond Parking Lot:

Please remember that the Turner's Pond parking lot is closed during drop-off and dismissal. We have been short-staffed in our custodial department and I know the cones haven't made their way across the entrance at times but please try to either get in the live pick-up line or find a safe space to park and walk up. We don't supervise the Turner's Pond lot and this poses a safety concern.

Glover and Community News:

This time of year, there is so much going on! I hope that these emails help keep you informed of all of the special Glover and Milton events. We have so many wonderful projects running to give back to others and raise funds for our school. Please read on to learn more...

Plank4Autism:

We are excited to begin our plank challenge in gym class next week! We will be "planking 4 autism" the week of October 23! This fundraising opportunity, thanks to Zach and Matty Morin, is a wonderful way to come together as a community for a great cause. To contribute, please go to www.plank4autism.com.

Jared Box and Project Giving Kids:

Thank you for all who donated items to our Jared Box Fundraiser! If you'd like to participate in a wonderful event, consider coming to the Reggie Lewis Athletic Center in Boston to help put all of these "smile-makers" into boxes for children in hospitals. The event is from 1-4 on Sunday, October 8. For more information, visit www.projectgivingkids.org.

The Great Glover!

Please visit the link below to buy your tickets for the grand event on Friday, November 3, 2017. We do have a limit of only 250 tickets to sell. As a reminder, tickets are available for \$35 in advance and \$45 at the door. More info can be found at http://thegreatglover.brownpapertickets.com/

Smile.amazon.com:

Any purchases made on Amazon could have a contribution to the Outdoor Space by setting up your Amazon account to be associated with the Glover School Parent Teacher Organization Inc, with no cost to you! Simply go to https://smile.amazon.com/ from your web browser and search for Glover School Parent Teacher Organization Inc.

Textile Collection Box:

Have you seen the textile collection box outside of Glover? Here's a little known fact...a portion of the proceeds made from donations to this box come directly back to Glover! If you are doing a fall closet clean-out and looking for a place to donate, swing by!

Holiday Mini Photo Shoot:

We still have a few time slots left! To sign up, please click this link: Glover Holiday Mini Photo Shoot.

MSAPC Listening Session with Police Chief King: Underage Drinking in Milton

If you are a Milton resident, employee, parent or student with ideas or concerns about how law enforcement addresses underage drinking, then you will want to attend this meeting. Police Chief King wants to hear what you have to say! Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00pm at BID Milton. RSVP to reserve your space: info@milton-coalition.org.

Benefit Concert:

Mark your calendars for **MPS Hurricane Victims benefit concert** on Tuesday, October 17 at 7pm at MHS. All proceeds benefit victims of Hurricane Harvey. It is sure to be a special night!

Monster Dash!

On Sunday, October 29 at 9:00am, we will be gathering in Cunningham Park for the annual Monster Dash! Don't miss this super-fun event! Please see attached flier for additional information and a QR code to register.

Mattress Sale:

The Milton School Music Department will be holding it's 4th annual mattress sale this Saturday October 7th from 10:00 am-5:00 pm in the Pierce Middle School Gymnasium. The proceeds of this fundraiser will go to the music department to fund music programs, festival fees, music awards and a host of other necessary things throughout the district.

Flu Clinic:

On Thursday, October 19 from 4:30-6:30 at the Council on Aging (10 Walnut St), flu vaccines will be available for the general public. Health insurance cards must be provided.

Kids Trail Run:

On Sunday, October 15, students in grades 1-8 are invited to run through Cunningham Park to benefit the MHS Girls and Boys Cross Country Teams. Registration begins at 10am. Students in Grades 1 and 2 run a mile at 11:30, students in grades 3-5 run 1.5 miles at 11:45. For more information, email imeunier@miltonps.org.

Milton Historical Society: Songs of the Revolution

The musical spirit of Colonial times comes to the Milton Public Library on Thursday, October 26, at 7 pm in the Keys Room, when Diane Taraz presents an extraordinary program, "Songs of the Revolution".

Mike's 5K Run/Walk to End Substance Abuse:

The inaugural running of **Mike's 5K to Crush Substance Abuse** is coming up on Saturday 10/21/17 at Cunningham/Collicot School here in Milton. The 5K will follow the well known Milton Road Race route. Race starts at 10am, and t-shirts are included in \$30 registration fee for anyone who registers by tomorrow (10/6/17). No need to be a runner, there will be plenty of walkers.

Upcoming Dates:

Saturday, October 7: Mattress Sale at Pierce from 10-5- MPS Music Department

Sunday, October 8: Jared Box Fundraiser event at Reggie Lewis Center from 2:00-4:30-

go to www.projectgivingkids.org for more information and tickets

Tuesday, October 10: Student Leadership Team Meeting- 3:20-4:00

Thursday, October 12: Grade Four Fitness Field Trip: Gillette Stadium with New England Revolution

Thursday, October 12: Pierce Information Night for fifth grade families- 6:30pm @Pierce Sunday, October 15: Kids Trail Run in Cunningham Park (11:30)

Tuesday, October 17: MPS Hurricane Relief Benefit Concert-7pm at MHS

Wednesday, October 18: Early Release- SkyZone Fundraiser

Wednesday, October 18: MSAPC: Underage Drinking in Milton- Chief King-7pm BID Milton

Wednesday, October 18: Glover PTO meeting-7pm in library

Thursday, October 19: Flu Clinic (4:30-6:30) at Council on Aging

Thursday, October 19: Maria Trozzi parent presentation: "Finding Resilience -Strategies to produce competent and confident children (K-12), able to successfully navigate a complicated world" - 7-9pm in MHS Auditorium

Saturday, October 21: Mike's 5K walk/run to crush Substance Abuse

Saturday, October 21: Glover Mini Photo Shoot at Turner's Pond (see above)

Wednesday, October 25: Lantern Making Workshop- 3:30 in Art Room

Thursday, October 26: Milton Historical Society-Songs of the Revolution-7pm at Milton library

Friday, October 27: Glover Lantern Walk - 6:30 pm at Glover

Sunday, October 29: MFE Monster Dash (see attached)

Friday, November 3: 7- 11pm, The Great Glover Social + Fundraiser @The Milton Hoosic Club

Wednesday, November 8: Early Release- Sky Zone Fundraiser

Wednesday, November 15: Movie Night/PTO/Diversity Committee 6-8pm

We hope you have a great weekend and we look forward to another wonderful week at Glover next week!

In partnership,

Karen McDavitt Principal, Glover Elementary School