Dear Glover Families,

What a fun week at Glover! Town Administrator Michael Dennehy visited our third graders during lunch, our fourth graders worked out at Gillette Stadium, our first graders visited the fire house, and Milton Academy volunteers helped us on the playground. Student Leadership Team assignments were announced with much fanfare and fourth and fifth graders began their service projects around the school proudly! GLEA classes started and children could be spotted playing scrabble, making clay sculptures, doing puzzles, crafting, and doing STEM activities. We are very fortunate to have so many wonderful opportunities to offer all Glover Kids! Be sure to follow us on Twitter @gloverschool to check out pictures of all of these awesome moments!

This week's skill for learning was <u>Focusing Attention</u>. Here is the language we have been using with our Glover Kids about focusing attention: "Learning happens every day at our school. An important skill for learning is focusing attention. When we focus our attention, we use our ears, our eyes, and our brain! This week, put on your "attent-o-scopes" and notice how they help you listen and learn!"

Next week's skill for learning will be **Using Self-Talk**.

BoxTops:

Box top collection is scheduled for next week. You will receive one final collection sheet to send in all of the box tops that you have collected. You may also send in box tops in bags of 50- please mark all submissions with your teacher's name. All box tops are due Thursday, October 19. Thanks for clipping! Contact jennifer.queally@yahoo.com with any questions.

Create the Change Day:

Thank you all for helping with our Jared Box drive! Create the Change day was last Sunday and we wanted to recognize Victoria Fleming, Camilla Abboud, Riley Kottkamp, and many other Glover and MPS families who participated in the event. In just 2.5 hours, 115 Jared Boxes were made, 35 baby blankets were created, 140 welcome baby bags for children in Children's Hospital were put together, 150 shower bags for homeless women were made, 104 cards for senior citizens were made, and 150 postcards for Veterans were written. We are so proud of our Glover community and those who came out to truly Create the Change! Thank you, Sunni Fleming, for bringing this opportunity to our school!

Reading About Diversity:

Many parents have had questions about Reading About Diversity (R.A.D.). RAD is a program designed to promote social justice and an appreciation of differences at school and at home in order to foster a strong supportive community for all Glover Elementary students to reach their full potential as empowered individuals and compassionate members of society. Many parents signed up during conferences to be volunteers to read a book from the RAD library, which was funded through a Donor's Choose grant last year. However, at this time, there are only six books for each grade level, so parents may be asked to double up. After you schedule your visit to the classroom, you are welcome to come in and review the book and easy to follow lesson plan! Visit www.readingaboutdiversity.com for more information! Thank you to all of those who have already signed up to be volunteers!

Breakfast at Glover:

We now have a full-time staff member monitoring breakfast. Our own Ms. Hanney, Kindergarten instructional assistant, will be spending time with our breakfast club. Just a reminder...for only \$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).

Glover and Community News:

Plank4Autism:

Our plank practice has begun! 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. Ask your child about the planks they are doing during P.E. class warm-ups!

The Great Glover: Sports Tickets + Vacation Rental Donations Would be Darb

Our Gatsby themed party is shaping up to be a big event! Local restaurants will showcase their great cuisine, we will feature a champagne fountain and a cigar bar. You can take your chance at the roulette wheel or bid on things like the "Make Way for Ducklings Experience" or "A City Escape" where you can enjoy a stay at the Five Star Four Seasons Hotel, Boston complete with Dinner in the city too!

As we make the final plans for The Great Glover (Friday, November 3rd, 7:00-11:00pm at The Milton Hoosic) we have an ask of you - our Great Glover community. **We are requesting any donations in the area of Sports tickets and vacation rentals.** Got season tix to the Pats and want to donate 2 to that one game where the Farmer's Almanac is predicting temps in the teens? We will gladly take them. Or does your company have a connection to a box at Fenway or the TD Garden and maybe they would be so generous to donate 2- 4 tickets to the Sox / Celtics or Bruins? Want to forgo that sizzling summer Sox game and share 4 of your season tix with Glover? ANY sports donation would be greatly appreciated. They are sure to fetch great cash for our school.

And in past years, vacation rentals have scored some serious Benjamins that has been plowed back into enriching our children's education. Again, a ski week in NH or VT, or a weekend on the Cape or in Rhode Island. We aren't picky, but we would be VERY appreciative of any donations you can send our way. Please email Allison Norton at allisondnorton@gmail.com if you have any questions. Thank you!

PS. You can buy your tickets at http://thegreatglover.brownpapertickets.com/

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! Our fourth and fifth graders are hard at work creating MPS pins to sell at the event. They are coming out awesome! Thank you to Mrs. Bernini for all of her help with this!

Milton Junior Woman's Club: please see attached flier for tonight's event!

Milton Youth Hockey:

Milton Youth Hockey (MYH) is thrilled to announce that the Bruins Alumni are coming to Ulin Rink on Saturday, October 21st at 4 pm to help MYH raise much needed funds for its hockey program. Admission is only \$10 with children under 10 FREE! Bring your friends, family, neighbors and fellow hockey fans from out of town. For only \$10, you will not only enjoy a thrilling game as the Bruins Alumni take on some of our own Milton parents and coaches, you will also have a chance to meet these legends after the game. Come one, come all to this family fun event at Ulin Rink – enjoy great hockey, enter the "chuck a puck" contest, and take a chance at some amazing raffle items, including a 50/50 raffle for a chance to win \$10,000! To purchase \$10 tickets to the game, visit www.miltonyouthhockey.org. Tickets will also be available at the rink.

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.

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.

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:

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

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

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