

Dear Glover Families,

We had another fantastic week! We had a beautiful Veteran's Day ceremony this afternoon. Our fourth and fifth graders helped us raise the flag and our own Mr. Malloy (four children on active duty) helped us. Thank you to all Veterans for your service. Be sure to follow us on Twitter @gloverschool to see a charming video of our ceremony today. We showed our school spirit today by wearing grade-level colors thanks to our Spirit Student Leadership Team!

Social-Emotional Learning Focus: Within our unit about *empathy*, we are learning about **Identifying Feelings**: "We're all learning to identify our own and other's feelings. We can focus our attention on someone's face or body and on the situation for clues about how the person is feeling. Sometimes people's voices and the words they say can also give us clues. If someone is yelling, it might be that this person is angry. If a person is using a very quiet voice, it might be that the person is scared or worried. This week, listen to people's voices for clues to figure out how they might be feeling!"

A Look Ahead:

Report Cards and Conferences:

On Wednesday night, Glover's Curriculum Coordinator and Asst. Principal, Sara MacNeil, will present information about our standards-based report card. A parent focus group met with the curriculum coordinators to help us improve this vehicle for communicating important information about student progress. To learn more about the report card, be sure to join us on Wednesday night at the PTO meeting. Childcare will be provided and we encourage you to come at 6pm to participate in our Diversity Committee as well (see below). Conferences are coming up! Teachers know that 10 minutes is a very short window. Please know that you can reach out any time to your child's teacher if you feel a conversation is needed. Communication is key.

PTO/Diversity Committee Meeting:

Please join us on Wednesday, November 15 for our next Glover Movie Night. While your child enjoys a movie and is supervised by MHS mentors, you will have the opportunity to engage in rich and powerful conversation as part of our Diversity Committee and hear from administrators regarding the Standards Based Report Card and other important items at PTO. Please consider joining us from 6-8pm on Wednesday, November 15!

Thanksgiving Food Drive:

Thank you to all who have already donated to Glover's Thanksgiving Food Drive!! For those who wish to donate, here is the list of donations by grade. Thank you!

Kindergarten- cake mix and frosting

First grade- stuffing

Second grade- fruit salad and cranberry sauce (canned)

Third grade- peas

Fourth grade- corn

Fifth grade- gravy
Any- coffee and tea

District Calendar:

There are a few versions of the district calendar posted online. This has caused a bit of confusion for families because dates changed. Be sure to always use this one:

http://www.miltonps.org/documents/SchoolYearCalendar17-18REVISED031617_000.pdf. Please also note that Early Dismissal time is 12:30 for *all* Early Dismissal days.

District Website:

As mentioned at Open House, we have rolled out our new district-wide website. You can visit it at www.miltonps.org. Once there, be sure to visit “our schools” and Glover’s site! All of my weekly emails are housed on this site underneath the “From the Principal” tab so you can always access important information in real-time.

SEPAC Event:

Join the Milton SEPAC for a chance to meet and mingle with area service providers and fellow parents on Tuesday, November 14 from 7:30-9pm at Boston Sensory Solutions (500 Granite Ave #1, Milton). Among those attending will be specialists in OT, speech, sensory integration, executive functioning, ADHD, ASD, nutrition, behavioral issues, and inclusive classes and activities.

Best Buddies Gobbler Race:

The Best Buddies Milton 5K Gobbler Race is Saturday, November 18. Top prizes for the age 10 and under category include medals, ice cream and pizza parties, and t-shirts. There will be a DJ at the event and Wahlburgers will be offering after-the-race chili! Register by going to www.bestbuddiesfriendshipwalk.org/milton.

Skip and Hop Co-Op Play Group:

Please see attached opportunity sponsored by the Milton Early Childhood Alliance.

Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday, November 15: Standards-Based Report Card Information Presentation-
Movie Night/PTO/Diversity Committee 6-8pm

Saturday, November 18: Best Buddies Gobbler Race

November 22-24: Thanksgiving Recess- no school

Tuesday, November 28: Author Visit- Melissa Stewart

Thursday, December 7: Early Release- Parent/Teacher Conferences

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