Dear Glover Families,

We had another fantastic week! We had a wonderful visit and Neponset Watershed presentation in fourth grade. We enjoyed "mixing it up" at lunch and finding new friends to sit with! We loved our sneak peek of the show Pippin (see below). We have begun learning about **empathy** and many of our discussions have focused around the following: "Getting along with others helps make our school a happier place. To get along with others, we need to have empathy for each other. Empathy is feeling or understanding what someone else is feeling. This week, be a feelings detective! Try to notice how your classmates are feeling throughout the week. Watch their faces and bodies for clues!"

A Look Ahead:

<u>Great Glover!</u> We are almost sold out at 250 tickets. So get your Gatsby on, or come as you are - just be at the Milton Hoosic Club, 193 Central Ave at 7pm. Bring cash for the cash bar and your credit card too as you will want to take a spin at the Roulette wheel and bid on some amazing items. All profits will be plowed back into enriching your child's educational experience here at Glover!

For Your Calendars:

This is just a reminder that this Wednesday is a half day and this Friday, we do not have school.

Student Leadership News:

Our School Spirit Team, mentored by Bridget Renehan and Melissa Craven, has been working hard to come up with an idea to make our school an even happier place! On Thursday, November 9th, we will be having our first school spirit day! Every grade will wear their assigned color to school to show their Glover school spirit and to represent their grade level! Let's Cover Glover in Color!

5th: Red 4th: Blue 3rd: Orange 2nd: Green 1st: Yellow K: Pink Glover's Reading

Glover's Reading Specialist:

The Milton Public School District believes that educators should have high expectations for all children and that it is our responsibility to help students achieve high academic goals in all subject areas. At Glover School, we are so fortunate to have the support of many dedicated professionals working to ensure our students achieve their highest potential. Mrs. Gina Cassler is one of those professionals who work to support the development of early literacy skills. As the Glover English Reading Specialist, Mrs. Cassler works closely with teachers to identify students who would most benefit from targeted skill instruction in reading. She also reviews data and conducts skills assessments as part of the regular education process to identify specific reading skills to target. Mrs. Cassler works in many first, second, and third grade classrooms. She works in flexible groups which means that your child might benefit from her small-group instruction from time to time. Research indicates that early-targeted skills instruction is beneficial in ensuring success in reading, and this is our goal for every student in the Milton Public School District. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to her directly at gcassler@miltonps.org.

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!

From the Nurse's Office:

Flu Clinic-last of the season: On Tuesday, November 14, from 3:00 – 4:30pm at Pierce Middle School. Health insurance cards must be provided. Please wear a short sleeve shirt.

Annual School Screenings:

To help in identifying potential growth and development issues, the state mandates the following screenings:

Vision: Grades K – 5

Hearing: Grades K – 3 (Grade 4 and 5 students who meet requirements)

BMI (Body Mass Index): Grades 1 and 4

Postural/Scoliosis: Grade 5

These screenings are ongoing throughout the school year. Parents/guardians will be notified if there are any areas of concern as a result of the screenings. If your child is followed by a specialist or if you wish to exempt your child from any of the screenings, please contact the school nurse, Maureen LeBlanc, at <u>mleblanc@miltonps.org</u> or (617) 696-4288, option 5 or ext. 4035.

Thanksgiving Cake Sale:

Glover School's 5th Grade Class is partnering with Milton's own The Plate restaurant to offer an exclusive Vanilla Bean or Classic Chocolate Cake for your Thanksgiving gatherings! Each 16-ounce cake will be freshly made and beautifully presented in an 8" loaf pan with Fall decorations. The deadline has been extended until November 9. Due to popular demand we have created an on-line ordering and payment solution at <u>www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040E48A8A92FA13-thanksgiving</u> These delicious cakes will be with you on **Friday November 17th** ready for the holiday period! <u>**Pippin:**</u> On Saturday at 2pm and 7pm, Pippin will be performed at MHS. The show leads the viewer through the story of a young Frankish prince who seeks fulfillment in the glories of the battlefield and the temptations of the flesh. Just a heads-up: this show is perhaps best enjoyed by an audience who appreciates the experience of a deeper message.

Parent Speaker: The Milton Public Library is sponsoring a coffee this Saturday November 4th @ 11am with veteran educator Eliza Wagner. She will explain the ups and downs of the middle and high school years and how to give your teen the tools necessary to succeed academically. She will entertain your questions—especially how you can help your teen navigate the maze that is the teen years. Free.

Upcoming Dates:

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

Saturday, November 4: Parent Speaker at Milton Public Library- 11am

Wednesday, November 8: Early Release- Sky Zone Fundraiser

Thursday, November 9: Thanksgiving cake orders due (see attached)

Thursday, November 9: School Spirit Day- see above

Friday, November 10: Veterans Day- no school

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

November 22-24: Thanksgiving Recess- no school

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