

Dear Glover Families,

We had an amazing week! Here are a few highlights and things to look forward to!

**Social-Emotional News:** We continue to highlight amazing acts of empathy and compassion through the month of December! We are so proud of all of our Glover Kids!

**Thank You:** As always, we are so blown away by Glover families and their generosity.

My office is filling up with gifts for families in need and we cannot express our appreciation enough. Please note: gifts can be sent in through Monday morning so if you haven't had the chance to send yours in, the deadline has been extended to Monday. If you weren't able to sign up but would like to give something to a Glover student, please email me directly. I have some ideas!

In addition, thank you to all who participated in our wonderful Ginger Betty's Glover School Gingerbread House raffle. All proceeds will benefit Glover's fifth grade committee and support our graduating Glover Kids as they finish their final year here. Thank you for helping make it so special for them. Congratulations to Elizabeth Crowell and Aidan and Matthew Reardon who won the gingerbread houses and thank you to Wendy Garpow-Roth for coordinating this awesome fundraiser!

**Music Share: December 11<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup>**

Every child has the opportunity to do a "show and tell" of music next week! This is a time in the school year where students in grades K-5 can share a musical performance with fellow classmates during their music time. **Some examples of sharing in music:** singing a song, playing piano or any other instrument a student is studying, singing and dancing to music, or sharing anything learned in our class. Instruments in the classroom (such as drums, xylophones, and non-pitched percussion instruments i.e. triangles, tambourines) are also available to be used. All musical styles and creative ideas are welcome to the class. It is also encouraged that students share any songs that they have created or learned from home.

It is our hope that with your encouragement, every student will choose to participate! If your student requires an instrument then they should remember to bring it to school on the day they have music. Instruments can be brought to the music room in the morning and kept safely in the classroom for the day. Thank you for the continued support in your child's music development! If you have any questions please contact your child's music teacher.

**From the Nurse's Office:**

**Friendly reminder:** If you are communicating with a teacher or staff member about your child's health, wellness, medications or injuries, please consider including the nurse on your emails or notes. It is important that we maintain consistency and are all on the same page to keep the children healthy & safe.

**Medication:** For safety reasons, students should not be administering their own medications in school including over the counter medications. In addition, if a morning medication is forgotten to be administered at home, please bring the medication to

school and administer the medication only in the nurse's office.

**MCAS Dates:** Important- all third, fourth, and fifth grade families: please mark your calendars for the following MCAS dates. Attendance is extremely important so please try to plan family events and trips around these dates.

Tuesday, April 3: Grade 5 ELA

Thursday, April 5: Grade 5 ELA

Friday, April 6: Grade 5 ELA

Tuesday, April 10: Grade 4 ELA

Wednesday, April 11: Grade 4 ELA

Thursday, April 12: Grade 4 ELA

Tuesday, April 24: Grade 3 ELA

Wednesday, April 25: Grade 3 ELA

Thursday, April 26: Grade 3 ELA

Wednesday, May 2: Grade 5 Math

Thursday, May 3: Grade 5 Math

Tuesday, May 8: Grade 4 Math

Wednesday, May 9: Grade 4 Math

Tuesday, May 15: Grade 3 Math

Wednesday, May 16: Grade 3 Math

Thursday, May 17: Grade 5 STE

Friday, May 18: Grade 5 STE

**Pierce Middle School Movie Night:** All 4th and 5th grade students are invited to attend the Pierce Middle School Movie Night on Friday, December 15, from 6:30-8:30 PM to see the movie- Home Alone- and to support the Pierce 8th Grade Washington DC Scholarship Fund. Students will be supervised by Dr. Spaulding, 8th grade student leaders, and other adults.

**Odd Girl Out:** The MPS PARENT Speaker Series is pleased to welcome **Rachel Simmons** - Expert in Girls' Bullying and Young Women's Leadership. Rachel will be presenting "*Odd Girl Out: Coping with Best Friends, Worst Enemies, and Everything in Between*" on **Monday January 8, 2018 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at the Milton High School auditorium.** This event is free and open to the public.

**Kindergarten Registration:** Kindergarten information night for incoming K students will be Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30pm at MHS. Please see attached for more information.

**Soccer Uniform Donations:** Drop off your used soccer uniforms (and equipment) in collection bins located in the lobbies of Collicot/Cunningham, Glover, Tucker and Pierce schools and at 34 Cliff Road. Any donations of clean T-Shirts, shorts, socks, shin guards, cleats, and deflated balls and pumps will be gratefully accepted. Note that uniforms from other sports will also be gratefully accepted. Collection dates are November 27-December 22. Thank you for your support! Thank you, Madame Brown, for bringing

this great opportunity to us!

**Upcoming Dates:**

Monday-Friday, December 11-15: Music Share (see above)

Friday, December 15: Pierce Movie Night (see above)

Monday, December 25-Tuesday, January 2: Winter Recess

Monday, January 8: Odd Girl Out (see above) 6:30-8pm at MHS

Wednesday, January 10: Diversity Committee/PTO/Glover Movie Night

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

In partnership,

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