

Dear Glover Families,

This was an amazing week! From chalk messages to tacos and quesadillas, delicious breakfast to homemade dessert, special gifts, massages, smoothies, and more, our Glover Staff could not feel more appreciated. Also, I would like to take a moment to thank Christine Sullivan and Sarah Kate Feloney, our PTO co-presidents, for coordinating this amazing week! Our insulated cups, thanks to Bill Resnick and Proforma, are instant favorites among the staff! Most importantly, the time that all of our Glover Kids took to make each and every staff member feel special is truly remarkable. On behalf of the entire staff, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. If you missed it, this video will make your day: <https://youtu.be/TQW2IMNneAQ>

Recently, all Glover Kids participated in the annual Forbes House Lincoln Drawing and Essay Contest. Congratulations to Ali Clarke for earning an honorable mention! Also, congratulations to Sasha Norton! Her artwork will be featured in Forbes House upcoming special exhibit entitled, Mary Bowditch Forbes's Lincoln Cabin. We are proud of our Glover artists!

Today, Sergeant Richman of MPD made a special visit to honor Glover Kid Heroes Owen and Patrick Kelly. Be sure to follow us on Twitter @gloverschool to see pictures of this wonderful moment.

I would like to thank Mary O'Leary, Wendy Roth, Ida Geering, Kate Sutphin, and MaryAnn Alberino for their continued hard work in the Outdoor Classroom and for spending time with each class, engaging in awesome Outdoor Classroom lessons!

Social Emotional Learning: Throughout the months of May and June, we will be focusing on Friendship Skills. This week, we learned about playing fairly and focus on sharing, trading, taking turns, and finding a respectful way to agree on rules during a game. Next week, we'll learn about Making Amends and learn that taking responsibility means admitting what you did, apologizing, and offering to make the situation better.

Cradles to Crayons Drive: To honor their last year at Glover, all 5th graders enjoy special privileges and celebrations. It has been a tradition that coupled with these privileges and celebrations is an opportunity for the 5th graders to participate in giving back to their community and their world through service activities.

Next weekend, a group of 5th graders will be going to Cradles to Crayons, an organization that leads the way in filling an unrecognized yet critical gap in services for

families in low-income and poverty situations. They recognize that basic needs such as weather-appropriate clothing, shoes, and books are as important as food and shelter. If you have any gently used clothes, toys, and books that you would like to donate, our fifth graders will bring them to Cradles to Crayons on May 19. To donate, please bring items to the bin located outside the Glover main office any time next week (Monday, May 14- Friday, May 18). Thanks so much for your help! Please see attached for additional guidelines about donating.

To Volunteer and Sign Up (fifth grade): on Saturday, May 19 from 10-12, you have the opportunity to volunteer at Cradles to Crayons and deliver the items collected by all Glover Kids! Please click here to sign up:
www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a49adaa2ba4fe3-cradles.

French Book Swap: Next week, each French Immersion class will be collecting books for a book swap. Please send in up to 5 French books your student would like to swap. Donations of additional books are welcome and will be used to help ensure all students will go home with at least 1 new book. We ask that you try to swap books that match your students reading level so we have a good selection for all grades. The French Book Swap will be held during the class library session during the week of May 23-25. Students can select new books matching the number of books they brought into swap (max 5).

Playground After School: While we love watching our Glover Kids and siblings enjoy our playground equipment after school, we ask for your cooperation in reminding children to follow safety rules and make responsible choices. Also, please allow room for our students who attend after-school to enjoy the equipment as well. Thank you!

Glover Transportation Survey: Please consider taking a moment to fill out this brief Glover School Transportation Survey. The following questions will help us to improve student arrival and student departure at the school. The entire survey will take approximately five minutes to complete: <https://massdot2018.typeform.com/to/tfDyU4>.

Music News: Families in Grade 3- please mark your calendars for Thursday, May 31 at 2pm for our Grade 3 Showcase. Also, back by popular demand is...**Music Share!** Every student in grades K-5 will have the opportunity to participate in Music Share on their music day. This is a time in the school year where students in grades K-5 can share a musical performance for fellow classmates during music class. This is only an event for the students in the classroom. Please see attached notice for more information! **Grade 5:** Wednesday, May 30th- Friday, June 1. **Grades K-4:** Monday, June 11th- Friday June 15th.

Grade Five Families: Please be sure to return your signed permission slip for all Grade 5 events as soon as possible. Also, please note the following correction regarding the Grade Five Social at Cunningham Hall: parents/guardians are asked **not** to stay but must drop off/pick up. Please see attached for more information about next Friday's event!

Have someone headed to Pierce 6th grade this fall? Don't miss Welcome to Middle School - a 3 or 4 day introduction/orientation to all things Pierce! Get the lay of the land, learn the Pierce routine, make new friends, and meet some of the Pierce teachers. This is not to be missed! There are two camps offered - end of June (just after school gets out) and end of August (the week before school starts) - pick the one that works for your new middle school student. Deadline to register is coming fast - May 25th - so don't delay!

Grade Four Families: If you haven't done so already, please send a copy of an updated physical exam on your child into the Glover Nurse's office. This is a state mandate/regulation that we need to follow. Physical exam results are necessary components of the school health record.

Field Day Schedule: Be on the lookout for a sign-up coming soon...we would love to have you join us for Field Day. For your planning purposes, the Field Day schedule is as follows: 9:00-9:45- Kindergarten, 10:00-11:15- First and Second Grade, 1:00-2:15- Third and Fourth Grade, 2:15-3:00- Fifth Grade.

Junior Achievement: To volunteer to help out with our upcoming Junior Achievement Day on June 7, please sign up here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-TYknj_q7xX6UFzCbqSu334-LQEZOfV3gMQbvWPLVI/edit

The Glover Social: Planning has already begun for our annual social and fundraiser. For now, we have two simple asks of you: SAVE THE DATE: Friday, November 2, 2018, 7pm. TO VOLUNTEER: If you have some time to help in the planning of this fun filled event, we would welcome any and all assistance. Simply email Mary at mary.gallagher@gmail.com.

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, May 15: Grade 3 MATH MCAS

Wednesday, May 16: Grade 3 MATH MCAS

Thursday, May 17: Grade 5 STE MCAS

Friday, May 18: Grade 5 STE MCAS

Friday, May 18: Grade 5 Social at Cunningham Hall from 7-9pm

Thursday, May 24: Nancy Bell Visiting Artist- grades 3-5 during school
Monday, May 28: No School- Memorial Day
Wednesday, May 30: Grade 5 Pongo Hockey Game- 1:30-3 in Glover gym, spectators welcome
Wednesday, May 30: Grade 5 Glover Music Share begins
Thursday, May 31: 3rd Grade Music Showcase- 2pm in Glover gym
Monday, June 4: Glover Field Day (schedule below)
Tuesday/Wednesday, June 5-6: Grade 3 Field Trips to Moakley Courthouse
Wednesday, June 6: Rain Date- Glover Field Day
Thursday, June 7: Grade 5 Step Up to Pierce Day during school
Thursday, June 7: JA in a Day (grades K-4) during school- see below to sign up
Friday, June 8: Grade 5 JA in a Day during school
Monday, June 11: MathsAmazing presentation during school- grades 4 and 5
Monday, June 11: Grades K-4 Glover Music Share begins
Wednesday, June 13: Fifth Grade Day and Moving Up Ceremony (rain date 6/15)
Monday, June 18: Grade 5 Tour of Milton during school
Tuesday, June 19: Grade 4 Egg Drop (rain date- Wednesday, June 20)
Wednesday, June 20: Grade 5 Tour of State House with Senator Timilty during school
Thursday, June 21: Summer Reading Kick-Off at 4pm at Milton Public Library
Friday, June 22: Last Day of School

In partnership,
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