Dear Glover Families,

We had another awesome week! Be sure to follow us @GloverSchool to see this week's Glover Kids as well as other amazing classroom adventures!

**Safety Drills:** You should be so proud of your children! They did an incredible job today in our lockdown safety drill! We got an A+ from Sergeant Richman! If your children ask you questions about it, our message here at school is this is just another way that we practice staying safe.

**Glover PTO Meeting:** Our first PTO meeting of the year is this Wednesday, September 26! Come one, come all! This is a great way to keep up-to-date on all things Glover! We will meet at 7pm in the Glover Library and will be joined by reps from MassDOT who are working with us to make our routes to and from school as safe as possible! We'd love to see you there!

**Glover Diversity Committee:** Our first meeting will be on Thursday, October 25 at Milton High School. From 4-6pm, we will have the privilege of working as a district with Dr. Erin Hardy in the area of implicit bias. I strongly encourage you to consider attending this...Dr. Hardy is amazing. After the meeting, Glover's Diversity Committee will gather briefly to connect.

**Glover Administrative Assistant:** We are so thankful for Marti McKenna's continued help at the front desk. We had 75 applicants for the position and will be holding finalist interviews on Monday. I'll keep you posted as we work to hire a new administrative assistant! If you are interested in being a part of our interview team on Monday from 1-3, please email me directly. **Flu Clinic:** Mark your calendars for Thursday, October 18 from 4:30-6:30 to get your flu vaccine at the Council on Aging.

**Wait Until 8<sup>th</sup> Campaign:** Did you know that the average age a child gets a smartphone is 10 years old and that children are spending between 6 and 9 hours a day on media? Childhood is changing, and the negative impact of too much screen time is hitting kids hard. We have good news for you though. There is a wonderful resource to help families delay the smartphone and give their children more time smartphone free.

## For more information, go

to: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/10P6SOjLjJHJ9GABbR-</u> <u>CbeQmH9eHrSeO/view</u> or visit <u>www.waituntil8th.org</u> to take the pledge! If you take the pledge, please use the name "Glover Elementary School" when pledging. The Milton Public School's Wait Until 8th campaign has three parent volunteers, Teresa Cook, Tara McCarthy, and Allison Norton who serve as the ambassadors. They are currently working with the Educational Technology Director, AJ Melanson on an action plan. If you would like to join in on the campaign please email AJ Melanson.

Giddy Up Glover, Friday, November 2, 2018, 7- 11pm: Join us for some Twangy Tunes, Cowboy Cocktails & The Grand Ole Auction! Saddle up! Shine your boots and buckles! Glover is going country! The Giddy Up Glover Social is going to be a hootin and hollerin homage to all things country and western. We're circling the wagons at Granite Links on November 2nd at 7pm. Enjoy some cowboy cocktails, two step to the tunes of our DJ, take a spin of the Wagon Wheel and mosey on over to the silent/live auction, for some great items like tickets to the games of New England's favorite sports teams, dinner at Bostons most romantic restaurant, an overnight stay at a Boston luxury hotel and one-of-a-kind, unforgettable Glover experiences like star gazing, learn to be a DJ, and more.

Giddy Up Glover is an important fundraiser for our school, with all money going to enrich our children's educational experience. Money raised will go toward technology upgrades, mini grants to enhance classroom curriculum, arts/science fairs, and ensuring our children attend exciting field trips. Can't wait to see you there, Pardners! So head on over to the site below to buy your tickets. And..... as an extra incentive, the first 75 people to buy tickets will be entered into a drawing to win a Fire 7 Tablet with Alexa, 7" display, 8 GB, Black!

https://giddyupglover.brownpapertickets.com/

## Jodi Petrie Fagan and Mary Gallagher Piccirillo, your Giddy Up Co-Chairs and Your Giddy Up Glover Social committee:

Kim Quach Chi, Teresa Cook, Kate Deeb, Maggie Hale, Kelly Hudak, Jenny Kunkel, Rita Moore, Allison Norton, Elizabeth O'Reilly, Sophie Koenig Rodriquez, Christine Sullivan, and Liz Tretinik.

**Exciting Author Visit:** Award winning author Varian Johnson, author of nine novels including "The Parker Inheritance", will be visiting with Glover 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students on October 4th. Students can order a personalized copy of one of Varian's books through September 24. The order form is attached and available on our website.

## **Cait's 5K Run:** Link to register-<u>https://racewire.com/register.php?id=9477</u>

**Mike's 5K to Crush Substance Abuse:** Please consider running in this important race that helps raise awareness and funds to help combat this terrible disease that, unfortunately, hits close to home for many in our town. The race takes place on October 20th and last year, half of the proceeds were donated to the Milton Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition and the Milton Cares Program. For more information, go to <u>https://www.miltonscene.com/2018/06/mikes-5k-to-crush-substance-abuse-to-be-held-on-saturday-october-20th/</u>. To register for the race, go to <u>https://racewire.com/register.php?id=9416</u>.

## **Upcoming Dates:**

Sunday, September 23: Cait's Run- 10am Wednesday, September 26: First Glover PTO Meeting-7pm in Glover Library Thursday, October 4: Varian Johnson Author Visit Thursday, October 4: Glover Open House 6:30pm-8:00pm Monday, October 8: Columbus Day- No school Wednesday, October 10: Glover Walk/Bike to School Day! Wednesday, October 17: Half Day (Professional Development)dismissal at 12:30 Thursday, October 18: Flu Clinic at Council on Aging- 4:30-6:30 Saturday, October 20: Mike's 5K to Crush Substance Abuse Thursday, October 25: District-Wide Diversity Committee Event: Implicit Bias- Dr. Erin Hardy- 4-6pm in MHS Library Friday, October 26: Glover/Tucker Lantern Walk Friday, November 2: Glover Social and Fundraiser- mark your calendars!

In Partnership,

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