Dear Glover Families,

Movie Night at Glover!!!

We are so excited to invite you all to our first Glover Movie Night! While grownups gather in the library for Diversity Committee and PTO meetings, children will get to watch a movie with friends and have some popcorn! See attached flier for additional information.

Movie night starts at 6pm in the cafeteria. The Diversity Committee meets from 6-7pm in the library. The PTO meeting runs from 7-8pm in the library. Childcare is provided from 6-8pm. Please consider joining us! Thank you!

For PTO updates and lots of information, please visit the new PTO website at http://www.glover-pto.org/. Thank you, Melanie Robinson, for creating this amazing resource for all families!

The Golden Spatula!

This week, Mrs. MacNeil and I met with the recess/lunch supervisors and spent time in every grade level's lunch and recess. We reviewed expectations for the lunchroom, playground, and transitions between. Here at Glover, we believe that positive behavioral interventions and supports are essential. Our Kindness Tree is filling up with apples for all of the great things Glover Kids have done. Next time you're here, be sure to take a peek. Directly across from the Kindness Tree in the display case is the "Golden Spatula". Your child may have come home buzzing about this. If not, ask them! Each week, a grade level will be nominated as the group that did the best job of meeting all expectations and working together as a team to be the best Glover Kids they can be in the cafeteria.

We are proud to announce the first recipients of the Golden Spatula: ** Way To Go! **Open House:** Just a reminder- Glover's Open House is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26 at 6:30pm. The presentation will begin in the gymnasium at 6:30pm. Mrs. MacNeil and I will share important school-wide information with you. Then, you'll have the opportunity to visit your child's classroom, hear from the teachers, and sign up for various opportunities to volunteer in the school. For families with two children here at Glover, you will be able to visit one classroom first and then attend a second presentation in the other classroom. Announcements will be made that night. We look forward to seeing you!

Circle S:

The Milton Public Schools is proud to host Joanna's Place <u>Circle-S</u> Support Group! The <u>Circle-S</u> program serves children (ages 6-18) whose siblings have a disability, and also supports their parents.

This is a **free** program that allows children and parents to enjoy a pizza dinner and join other "typical siblings" who face similar joys and challenges of living with a sibling with special needs. This has proven to be a very beneficial program for families that have participated.

The group will run for 8 consecutive Mondays from 6:00-8:00 starting October 16 and ending on December 4. It will be held in the Cunningham/Collicot School Library. If you are interested in this program or would to register (please note, registration is required), email the Circle-S Facilitator Luaren Bartolotti at <u>Lauren.Bartolotti@bmc.org</u> or call 781-266-6776. Please also see the attached flyer for more information.

<u>Safe Routes to School:</u> During the first week of October, Glover has been selected to participate in the Safe Routes to School data collection project. Students will be keeping track of the way they arrive and depart from school. In addition, we are looking forward to having our first **Walk/Bike to School Day on Wednesday, October 4**. If your child walks or bikes to school on this day, he/she will receive a special sticker! For more information, please email me or Ben Jones at <u>bjones@miltonps.org</u>.

FoodPlay Presentation: Glover School is pleased to announce a special program for our K-3 students regarding proper nutrition and healthy eating. We look forward to hosting National award-winning assembly program FOODPLAY on September 28. They use the power of live theater to turn kids on to healthy eating and active lifestyles. Featuring amazing feats of juggling, captivating characters, motivating messages, music, magic, and audience participation, FOODPLAY triggers school-wide excitement, getting everyone on board to support school nutrition and create a healthy school. Thanks in part to Milton Public School's Food Services Director Jackie Morgan for her assistance with this program.

MFE Monster Dash 2017 Artwork Competition: The MFE is once again looking for artwork to print on the front of race t-shirts for the Milton Monster Dash! Create your best design and submit one entry by Wednesday, September 27th. Please see attached consent form.

<u>Monster Dash 2017:</u> Be sure to mark your calendars for the annual MFE Monster Dash on October 29 at 9:00am in Cunningham Park! To register, please go to https://racewire.com/register.php?id=8315. Looking forward to seeing you there! Glover parent, Greg Gordon, (aka Mario) will steal the show!

Community News: Brookwood Community Farm

Fall shares at Brookwood Community Farm are available! Share in the bounty of the season! https://brookwood-community-farm.myshopify.com/

The farm's fifth annual Farm Dinner is on Sunday, September 24 from 4-7pm at the Bradley Estate in Canton. Tickets available at www.BrookwoodCommunityFarm.org. Other events include Family Volunteer days on October 14 and November 11, an Equinox Celebration on September 22, a Storywalk on September 30, and the annual put-the-bed-to-bed day on October 28.

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, September 19: Diversity Committee 6pm, PTO 7pm, Movie Night!!

Thursday, September 21: Rosh Hashanah - No school

Tuesday, September 26: Glover Open House 6:30pm-8:00pm

Wednesday, September 27: Monster Dash Artwork due

Thursday, September 28: FoodPlay Presentation- Grades K-3

Wednesday, October 4: Walk/Bike to School day

Thursday, October 12: Grade Four Fitness Field Trip: Gillette Stadium with New England Revolution

Saturday, October 21: Mike's 5K walk/run to crush Substance Abuse

Sunday, October 29: MFE Monster Dash (see attached regarding art contest and above link to register)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

The calendar I attached at the beginning of the year was not the correct version. I sincerely apologize for any confusion. I have attached the correct calendar for MPS 2017-2018. To make it easiest for you to simply add to your phone calendars, here is a list of important dates for the year:

- Thursday, September 21- no school
- Monday, October 9- no school
- Wednesday, October 18- early release day (dismissal at 12:30)
- Wednesday, November 8- early release day (dismissal at 12:30)
- Friday, November 10- no school
- Wednesday, November 22-Friday, November 24- no school
- Thursday, December 7- early release day (dismissal at 12:30): *parent/teacher conferences*
- December 22-January 2- winter recess
- Monday, January 15- no school
- Wednesday, January 31- no school: Teacher Professional Development
- February 19-23- February recess
- Wednesday, March 7- early release day (dismissal at 12:30)
- Thursday, March 8- after school/evening parent/teacher conferences
- Friday, March 30- no school
- Wednesday, April 4- early release day (dismissal at 12:30)
- April 16-20- April recess
- Monday, May 28- no school
- Friday, June 15- projected last day of school

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