

A message from GLOVER ES

Dear Glover Families,

This week was amazing! Twitter (@GloverSchool) will help you get a sneak peek into the fun we had during the Glover Glow Run, celebrating Black History Month, learning about the Lunar New Year, and enjoying the 100th Day of School! Thank you to all who helped make our Glow Run a huge success and thank you for your generosity and support of our school. Tuesday was a great day and every child had a ball! Our fifth graders took an incredible field trip to the State House and got to meet with Senator Timilty, Representative Driscoll, and other lawmakers in conjunction with their Reach for Reading unit on justice.

This week, our Beyond the Bell sessions with third, fourth, and fifth graders began and BOKS started! The number of children engaged in meaningful learning activities before and after school here at Glover continues to astound me! Thank you to the teachers who make this all possible as well as the parent volunteers for Continental Math League and BOKS! Exciting things are happening here at Glover!

Next week, we will be celebrating and emphasizing Random Acts of Kindness. Children will be challenged to smile at each other, compliment each other, help each other, and demonstrate an understanding of the phrase "Kindness Matters". Our Glover Kids know that in a world where they can be anything, it's so important to be kind. For more about what we are doing in school, I've attached some resources from the Great Kindness Challenge.

Please remember that if you are sending in anything kind for classmates, there are two "musts": do not send candy/treats/anything edible (in alignment with MPS Health and Wellness Policies) and please be sure to remember to be inclusive of every student in the classroom.

Next Week:

TUESDAY NIGHT- Parent Speaker Series: Next up in our series is *"The Big Disconnect: Protecting Family Relationships in the Digital Age"* on February 12, 2019, 6:30 pm at MHS Auditorium. Come hear Dr. Catherine Steiner-Adair speak about how to maintain important

relationships as a family, in our ever-increasing digital world. This presentation is relatable to parents/guardians of *ALL AGES*. **Dr. Catherine Steiner-Adair** is an internationally recognized clinical psychologist, school consultant and award winning author.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT- PTO Meeting: Wednesday, February 13 at 7pm- Glover Library: At the next PTO meeting, we will be discussing many important things. We have the privilege of being joined by Deborah Milbauer of MSAPC who will present about the new MSAPC campaign to reduce underage drinking. Join this special presentation targeted specifically to elementary aged parents to start developmentally appropriate prevention messages and practices EARLY before the middle and high school years kick in. Lee Toma will also join us to discuss safe routes to school and an innovative new idea: a walking school bus! We will also be brainstorming about best practices in welcoming new families to Glover. **Last, I will also answer any questions you might have about the various space/enrollment presentations that have been given by the MPS School Committee as they relate to Glover.**

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY- Book Swap: The annual Glover Book Swap is NEXT WEEK! Be sure to go through your bookshelves this weekend to see what books your child is done with and would like to swap for something new-to-them. Students can swap up to five books, but if they bring in more they can help out a fellow student. Please bring books to classroom teachers on Monday and Tuesday for sorting. Thanks!

Social Emotional Learning: This month, we are focusing on Emotion Management. This week and next week, we will continue to work on managing learning challenges.

Science Fair: Mark Your Calendars! Our Annual Glover Science Fair will be on Wednesday, March 13 (Kindergarten, First Grade, and Second Grade) and Thursday, March 14 (Third Grade, Fourth Grade, and Fifth Grade). Application/Information Packets will come home on Monday so be on the lookout!

Notes from Nurse LeBlanc: Cold and flu season is upon us, and we have had a large number of children going home for sickness. We would like to remind you that your child should remain home if he/she is sick. An extra day at home may be all that is needed for your child to get the

needed rest to recover. Please adhere to the following guidelines when deciding if your child should come to school:

COLDS & COUGH: Please keep your child at home if he/she is suffering from an uncontrolled cough or is miserable with cold symptoms. A day or two of rest and a light diet with extra fluids will help resolve a cold, and will be a help in minimizing the spread of the cold virus at school. A child who is feeling run down, losing sleep due to their cold, or sneezing and coughing is not going to be able to attend to learning.

FEVER: Any temperature 100 or higher. Temperature should be normal (98.6-99.9) for at least 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications before returning to school.

SORE THROAT: Keep home until symptoms subside if possible. This could be the beginning of a cold and will quickly spread to others. Be cautious of strep throat. If the redness or symptoms do not go away, see your doctor. Also, remember that strep throat may be present without a fever, and may have symptoms of headache and stomachache.

SINUS INFECTION: Many times this manifests itself as a prolonged cold. Symptoms can include headache, dizziness, and coughing or thick yellow/green nasal discharge. See a doctor if these symptoms persist.

DIARRHEA/VOMITING: Please do not send your child to school until these symptoms are gone for 24 hours, energy level is back to normal, and he/she is eating and drinking without discomfort.

ALLERGIES: If your child requires antihistamines or inhalers during school, please let the Health Office know. It is beneficial to stay ahead of allergy symptoms so that they do not develop into more complicated illnesses.

Healthy Children Learn Best!

School Committee Forums on Space and Student Enrollment Issues: The School Committee is holding two public forums to address increased student enrollment and space issues in the Milton Public Schools. The first forum will be Monday, February 11, 2019 at 1:30pm at Fuller Village, 1372 Brush Hill Road. The second forum will be Monday, February 11, 2019 at 7:00pm

at Milton High School's Charles C. Winchester Auditorium. All Milton residents are invited to attend either public forum. Please note that the public forums will allow the opportunity for an exchange between citizens and Milton School Committee members. Please see attached for additional information.

If you wish to access background information regarding increasing enrollment and space issues, please follow the following links:

New England School Development Council (NESDEC) information:

https://www.miltonps.org/application/files/1215/4359/4541/NESDEC_2018.pdf

DRA Presentation to Milton School Committee:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1_kqvCOLYWADExL_Aqz-pWPK3Yqx9cBvp8fV6m007PK0/edit#slide=id.p1

If you have any questions, please contact Milton School Committee Chair Dr. Kevin Donahue, kdonahue@miltonps.org.

Daffodil Days: The Milton Public Schools is partnering with the American Cancer Society to help save lives, celebrate lives, and lead the fight for a world without cancer through Daffodil Days. Make a donation from now until February 18th to receive fresh-cut or potted daffodils in March to brighten your day or that of others through flower delivery to cancer patients at a local cancer center, hospital, or Hope Lodge. Place your order by clicking the link below and be sure to select your school at checkout. Contact Kate.Lockhart@cancer.org for more information. This campaign specifically supports Boston's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer. Please see attached for additional information.

<https://www.crowdrise.com/o/en/campaign/milton-daffodil-days>

Town-Wide Athletics and Activities Fair: On Thursday, February 28 from 5:45-6:30pm in the Tucker Gymnasium, there will be an Athletics and Activities fair. Join us to hear about how your student can get involved in the many Milton teams, activities and opportunities! Learn More About Milton Youth Lacrosse, Wrestling, Soccer, Hockey, Softball, Girl Power Run Club,

STEAMologists, Parks and Recreation, Musical Instrument Lessons, and Milton Summer Enrichment.

Milton Young Musicians Festival: For over 30 years, the Milton Young Musicians Festival has encouraged young people with an interest in music and fostered their developing performance skills. All participants receive feedback from trained adjudicators, and a medal at the end of the day. Recipients of the Gold Medal are invited to perform in a concert the next weekend.

The Festival will be held on March 31st, from noon to 5 pm at East Congregational Church, 610 Adams St, Milton. The Gold Medal concert will be held the following Saturday, April 6th. The link to the event's website is here: <http://www.miltonyoungmusicians.org/apply>.

Circle G (Grief) Support Group: Joanna's Place has openings for our FREE Circle-G (Grief) support group this spring! This unique support program serves children who are facing the death of a parent or sibling. Our program focuses on promoting resilience in children by offering comprehensive family support. Space is limited, and registration is now available by emailing amanda.serio@joannasplace.org or calling 781-413-5141.

WHO: Children, ages 6-18 years old, come with their parent, enjoy a pizza supper and maybe for the first time, join other children in their age group who are facing similar challenges.

WHEN: Mondays, 6-8pm for 10 consecutive weeks beginning March 4th & ending May 20th.

WHERE: Collicot Elementary School Library, 80 Edge Hill Rd., Milton, MA.

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, February 11: 1:30pm Fuller Village and 7:00pm MHS Presentation on Space/Enrollment Issues (see above)

Tuesday, February 12: "The Big Disconnect: Protecting Family Relationships in the Digital Age" Catherine Stein-Adair 6:30pm at MHS

Wednesday, February 13: Glover PTO Meeting- 7pm in Glover Library (see above)

Wednesday- Friday: Book Swap during Library (see above)

Thursday, February 14: Box Tops Collection Due

Monday, February 18: Last Day for Daffodil Days (see attached)

Monday, February 18-Friday, February 22: February Break (no school)

Tuesday, March 5: "Romaine Calm - Healthy Eating for Families" with Tara McCarthy and Jackie Morgan 6:30pm at MHS

Wednesday, March 13: K-2 Science Fair

Thursday, March 14: 3-5 Science Fair

Friday, March 22: Kindergarten and First Grade Music Showcase- 2:00pm in the Glover Gym

Thursday, February 28: Town-Wide Athletics and Activities Fair (see above)

Friday, March 29: Grade Four Boston Symphony Orchestra Field Trip

Sunday, March 31: Young Musicians Festival, East Congregational Church

Friday, May 17: Second and Third Grade Music Showcase- 2pm Glover Gym

MCAS Dates:

Tuesday, April 2 and Wednesday, April 3: Grade 5 ELA MCAS

Thursday, April 4 and Friday, April 5: Grade 4 ELA MCAS

Tuesday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 10: Grade 3 ELA MCAS

Tuesday, April 23 and Wednesday, April 24: Grade 5 Math MCAS

Thursday, April 25 and Friday, April 26: Grade 4 Math MCAS

Tuesday, April 30 and Wednesday, May 1: Grade 3 Math MCAS

Thursday, May 2 and Friday, May 3: Grade 5 STE MCAS

In Partnership,

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File attachments:

[The Great Kindness Challenge Checklists.pdf](#)

[Milton School Committee Invitation Public Forums Regarding Space-email version.docx](#)

[Milton Daffodil Days paper order form.docx](#)

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