

A message from GLOVER ES

Dear Glover Families,

I hope you all have a wonderful, relaxing, and enjoyable February break! We hope that your child will enjoy a new book brought home courtesy of the annual Book Swap. Thank you to Mary O’Leary, Sheila Armstrong, Samantha Chernoguz, and Josh Coben for spearheading this! Thank you to the Milton Public Library for donating so many great books to our Book Swap! Break might be a time to start thinking about a Science Fair project if your child is interested in participating! Please be sure to see my email sent on Monday with complete information and an application form for the Science Fair.

This week was another fabulous week here at Glover! Random acts of kindness could be seen all over the school. I am always so proud of my Glover Kids and this week was no exception! Last week, a group of fifth graders stayed after school with parent volunteers to make Valentines for children at MGH. Today, I received a beautiful thank you from Becky Warsofsky, Child Life Specialist, at MGH letting us know that they thought the cards were amazing and the children and families enjoyed receiving them. I love it when Glover Kids impact people beyond the walls of Glover School! So proud!

On Wednesday, I joined Assistant Superintendent Sheehan and Dr. Spaulding (Pierce Middle School Principal) at the annual Massachusetts Partnership for Diversity in Education Conference. Milton Public Schools is a member district in this amazing organization that is committed to recruiting and assisting in producing career opportunities for educators and administrators from diverse backgrounds and forming collaborative relationships that will enhance staff diversity within our district. This “Building Bridges Forum” was a wonderful opportunity for us to network with neighboring school districts and higher education institutions to increase staff diversity. Massachusetts Commissioner of Education Jeffrey Riley spoke to us about the importance of making sure that our staff demographic mirrors our student body demographic. This is extremely important to me as well as the collective Milton Public Schools as the statistics show that state-wide, demographics indicate that 40% of our students are students of color while

only 10% of our educators are educators of color. He shared his vision of focusing more on our most amazing asset: our teachers. He showed this brief video and related it to the teaching profession, reminding us that our teachers guide our children, hold their hands, pick them up when they fall, but in the end, prepare them to cross the finish lines themselves. I wanted to share it with you:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xa5_j-LaxuQ

To that end, the Milton Public Schools is hosting a South Shore Minority Recruitment Fair on Saturday, March 9 from 8-12 at Milton High School. 20 different school districts will be participating. Please see attached for additional information and please share with anyone you know who might be interested!

World Languages Week at Glover: How much do you know about languages? Research the answers to the questions below and submit your paper to the office **by Friday, March 1st**.

Trivia questions will be read over the announcements during World Languages Week (March 4-8) and your correct answer could be chosen for a prize!

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1W2Dt84BgX44-4ThwK5wuEBmQy77nuiV5pHWSnhJRvP8>

Social Emotional Learning: After break, we'll begin to work through our Problem Solving Unit. We'll learn and practice the 4 STEPS of Problem Solving:

S- Say the Problem

T- Think of Solutions

E- Explore Consequences

P- Pick the Best Solution

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 were emailed on Monday. Applications are due Thursday, February 28 and the packet can also be accessed here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ue42wpeR7Z0DLIV6OUjHkjDklMwlwcXj-CdJxUuWQOo/edit?usp=sharing>

Glover Skating Party: We will be holding our annual Glover Skating Party on Sunday, March 3, 1:00-2:20pm, at Milton Academy thanks to the Glover PTO! Bring your own skates and helmets. We will have a bake sale run by our fifth graders. Hope to see you there!

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.

Project 351 and Cradles to Crayons: If you are doing any early spring cleaning, be sure to set aside children's clothing and shoes for our upcoming Cradles to Crayons drive which will take place from March 25-April 7. Collection boxes will be located in the Glover lobby.

Music in our Schools Month: Our Glover fifth grader string students will join string students in grades 5-12 on Tuesday, March 19 at MHS at 7pm for a district-wide Music in our Schools Month String Concert! You are welcome to attend!

Attachments:

2019 South Shore Regional Minority Recruitment Fair (see above)

MFE News: MFE's annual Celebration For Education is coming! It is April 6 at Lombardos. The MFE is raffling off a Jeep! For \$100 a ticket (with only 500 tickets sold), you can be entered into a raffle to win a 2019 Jeep or \$25,000 cash. To learn more or to purchase raffle tickets, email Liddie Sutter at liddievs@gmail.com or stop into the Glover main office! Please see attached for additional information.

Tuesday March 5th "Romaine Calm: Tips for Feeding Your Family for Health" with Tara McCarthy, MS, RDN, LDN. 6:30pm at MHS auditorium.

Come hear our own Glover parent, Tara McCarthy, provide tried and true strategies to feed your family. We all want what is best for our kids and give them the nutrition they need to grow and thrive! Whether your child is a toddler, or in high school and all the grades in between, Tara's tips will take the stress out of meal times! She'll also discuss the division of responsibility between the child and the parent when it comes to eating and making healthy choices. There will be food tasting in the lobby after the event. This event is free and open to the public. Please see attached for additional information.

Please note that this past Tuesday's PARENT Speaker event, "The Big Disconnect" with Catherine Steiner-Adair has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 11 at MHS at 6:30pm.

Upcoming Dates:

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

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

Thursday, February 28: Science Fair Applications Due

Sunday, March 3: Glover Skating Party, 1-2:20 at Milton Academy (see above)

March 4-8: World Languages Week Trivia Contest (see above)

March 4-8: School Breakfast Week

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

Wednesday, March 13: K-2 Science Fair

Thursday, March 14: 3-5 Science Fair

Monday, March 18: Music in our Schools Month String Rehearsal (grade 5)

Tuesday, March 19: Music in our Schools Month String Concert- 7:00pm MHS

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

March 25-April 7: Cradles to Crayons Clothing and Shoes Drive

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

Saturday, April 6: MFE Celebration for Education at Lombardo's

Thursday, April 11: The Big Disconnect Parent Speaker Event- 6:30pm at MHS

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,

Karen McDavitt

Principal, Glover Elementary School

File attachments:

[MFE Jeep Raffle.pdf](#)

[Romaine Calm Poster \(v4\).pdf](#)

[2019 South Shore Regional Minority Educator Recruitment Fair.docx](#)

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