Dear Glover Families,

What an amazing job all of our Glover Kids did during this week's Science Fairs! Watching our Kindergartners dancing on raw eggs was certainly a highlight of my week! If you missed it, the video is on Twitter @GloverSchool. In addition to amazing scientific inquiry, we also featured industrious student leaders Chloe Bergeron, Sahana Zauls, Gisele Figueroa, Paige Plunkett, Lauren Donovan, Willa McClutchy, Olivia Louis-Jeune, Grace Stevens, Maya Bobrov, and Lilo Grassl who created and sold friendship bracelets to benefit Children's Hospital Boston. They raised \$158.50! Not to be outdone, Glover second graders Lexi Donovan, Lucy McClutchy, Hadley Bergeron, Sadie Cambria, Emma O'Reilly, and Annabelle Stevens made and sold bracelets the next night and raised \$90.00 for the Milton Animal Shelter! Congratulations and thank you to this wonderful Glover community! In addition, Pierce Middle School students presented their service learning project focusing on low voter turnout in Milton each night. Please see attached to learn more about their efforts to increase voter registration!

Here's a look ahead to next week:

Social Emotional Learning: We continue to work through our problem-solving unit, following these steps:

- S- Say the Problem
- T- Think of Solutions
- E- Explore Consequences
- P- Pick the Best Solution

Kindergarten Families: Thank you to those who were able to attend this week's Grade One Information Night. It was an outstanding turnout and we truly appreciated your participation. By now, you have all received your orange forms. Please note that forms are due March 22. For those of you who could not attend, please view the <u>Grade One Information Night Presentation</u>. In addition, the Q&A from the presentation is posted on the front page of the <u>MPS Website</u> under Grade Information Night. As always, I encourage you to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this decision.

STEM Information Night: On Monday, March 18th, the Milton Public Schools will hold a STEM Information Night. Kindergarten students and their parents are welcome to attend. During STEM Information Night, attendees will be given an overview of the STEM Program in the English Innovation Pathway and participate in a hands-on engineering activity. STEM Information Night will take place in the Cunningham/Collicot cafeteria and will run from 6:30-7:30 PM. You may enter through the back doors of the building beginning at 6:30 PM. Due

to limited space during this event, we ask that you make efforts to leave siblings of current kindergarteners at home. We hope to see you there! Please contact Elementary Science Coordinator Ellen Lohan at elohan@miltonps.org with any questions.

Ms. Lohan is looking for newspapers for the activity on Monday night. If you have any newspapers at home that you are done reading, please send them in!

Music News: It is Music in our Schools month and our strings students will be performing on Tuesday, March 19 at MHS while our band students will be performing on Thursday, March 21, also at MHS.

Our fourth graders will be heading to see the Boston Symphony Orchestra in action on March 29. Check out the playlist on the **Glover Music** website!

Concert Dates:

- Kindergarten and Grade One Concert with Mr. Reynolds: Friday, March 22 at 2pm in the Glover Gymnasium
- Fourth and Fifth Grade Concert: Thursday, April 11 at 9:15am in the Glover Gymnasium (also featuring strings and band)
- Second and Third Grade Concert: Friday, May 17 at 2:00pm in the Glover Gymnasium

PTO News: Our next PTO meeting will be on Thursday, April 4 at 7pm in the Glover Library. At this meeting, we will be discussing plans for the outdoor space and use of funds raised during the Glow Run. Please consider joining us!

Roll on over to Carousel Family Fun Center for the Glover Roller Skating Party on Saturday, April 27th! The PTO and 5th Grade Committee have put together this FREE admission event from 5-7p.m for its students and their family members! So bring your own roller skates or roller blades (rentals can also be purchased for \$3 and skate mates for \$5) for a good old fashion skating time.

Please sign up via the Sign Up Genius Link provided below. Space is limited to 150 people (no drop off's please). Snack bar items can be purchased through the venue which is located at 1055 Auburn St. in Whitman which also includes an arcade with games. We look forward to seeing you there!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0e4aabae23a3fd0-roller

SEPAC News: The Milton SEPAC invites you to join us, in partnership with the Federation for Children with Special Needs, for our annual Basic Rights Workshop on March 27 at 7pm in the library at Glover. This workshop will help you better participate in the team process, collaborate with the team, and advocate for your child. For more information, please see attached.

Daffodil Days: If you ordered daffodils in our recent American Cancer Society fundraiser, please know that the daffodil delivery has been delayed until the week of April 1 due to weather in Washington state.

BOKS: Thank you to all who have helped make our first round of BOKS a success! We are thrilled to announce that we will be opening a second session which will run for 6 weeks from April 2-May 16. Registration will be offered first to those who signed up but did not get into the first session. After that, we will be opening registration for all families. A link to register will be in next week's Friday email.

Project 351 and Cradles to Crayons: This spring, Glover will be joining Project 351 and Cradles to Crayons in a statewide effort to collect clothing for children living in extreme poverty. This clothing drive will take place from March 25th to April 5th. During this time, students are encouraged to bring in gently used or new clothing to donate. These clothes may include (but are not limited to) pants, shirts, coats, socks, shoes, pajamas, and undergarments. Clothing sizes should be youth sizes 0-20, adult sizes small and medium (1-10) and infant sizes 0-13. We do ask that all pajamas, socks, and undergarments be brand new for sanitary reasons. These clothes are going straight to Cradles to Crayons to be distributed out to children living right here in Massachusetts. According to the Annie E. Casey Foundation, 1 in every 7 children in Massachusetts live in households with very low income. Any donation, no matter how big or small, is greatly appreciated. Acts of kindness like these donations really make the lives of these children much easier and less stressful. Thank you!

Parent Speaker Series: Mark your calendars for our next event in the PARENT SPEAKER Series, NYT bestseller Jessica Laheypresenting, "The Gift of Failure" on Tuesday March 26 at 6:30pm in the MHS auditorium.

Attachments:

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.

Voter Registration Information: from Pierce Middle School students- service learning project

Special Education Basic Rights Workshop (see above)

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, March 18: Report Cards go home

Monday, March 18: STEM Information Night- Incoming First Grade (see above)

Tuesday, March 19: Judge Diana Maldonado visits Grade 5 (in school)

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

Wednesday, March 20: Parent/Teacher Conferences (afterschool and evening)

Thursday, March 21: Music in our Schools Month Band Concert- 7:00pm MHS

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

Tuesday, March 26: "The Gift of Failure" Parent Speaker Series- 6:30pm at MHS

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

Wednesday, March 27: Special Education Basic Rights Workshop- 7pm at Glover

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

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

Thursday, April 4: PTO Meeting- 7:00 in Glover Library

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

Thursday, April 11: Fourth and Fifth Grade Music Showcase- 9:15am Glover Gym

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

Monday, April 15-Friday, April 19: April Vacation

Thursday, May 2: Glover/Tucker Diversity Committee Meeting: Book Club- 7pm Glover Library

Thursday, May 9: Glover School Author Visit (during school)

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

Friday, May 17: Fifth Grade Social (not a school-sanctioned event)

Wednesday, May 22: Lyme Disease Prevention Presentation- Grade Four (in school)

Monday, May 27: No School- Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28: Glover Art Show- 6:30pm at Glover

Friday, June 7: Junior Achievement in a Day (in school)

Friday, June 14: Tentative Last Day of School

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:

Basic Rights Flyer 327.pdf

MFE Jeep Raffle.pdf

Newsletter- voting - Google Docs.pdf

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