Dear Glover Families,

Thank you all for your incredible generosity with our Thanksgiving Food Drive! We enjoyed packing 40 boxes for the Milton Food Pantry on Wednesday night as part of our Glover Gives initiative and thank you to the numerous drivers who helped get those boxes over to the Food Pantry today!

Next week is a short week and we will only have school on Monday and Tuesday. Tuesday is always a fun day as we are hosting our annual Turkey Trot. Our little turkeys trot around the gymnasium and it's always a lot of fun!

If you'd like to come cheer on your little turkeys, accompanied by Lead Turkey McDavitt (I can't believe I just wrote that), you can enter the building at the back doors by the gym. We will have a spectator area set up for you! Trotting times by class are as follows:

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9:00-9:15 BODKIN/DOW-RYAN (5th)
9:20-9:35 MALIEL/GOOD (5th)
9:40-9:55 KEMPF-O'LEARY/HOFF (4th)
10:00-10:15 CRAVEN-RENEHAN/MORRIS (4th)
10:20-10:35 HAMMOND/LeFORT-WHITE (3rd)
10:40-10:55 KOITA/O'LEARY (3rd)
11:00-11:20 CARDIASMENOS/COATES/SPITZ (2nd)
11:25-11:40 STALLIONS/CRAVEN-VANACORE (2nd)
11:45-12:05 BRANDI/BRINK/KATES (K)
12:10-12:25 COMER/ELOVICH (K)
12:30-12:50 BONNER/McCARTHY/FRANKLIN-DONOHUE (1st)
12:55-1:10 BROWN/GRANT-HEAL (1st)
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A Look Ahead...

Square One Art Fundraiser: Last call! This is just a reminder to place your Square One Art order! To order, you can either go online to square1art.com/shop or order by phone. Your child's unique online art access code is located on the back of the order form. If you order by November 26, it will be shipped free to Glover and will arrive by winter break. We will sort and send home items with your child when they arrive. If you have

any questions, please contact our incredible coordinator, Katie Crowell, at kmarkunas@gmail.com or reach out to me directly.

Holiday Gift Drive: For the holiday season, the Milton Public Schools has partnered with My Brother's Keeper and the Milton Residents Fund to ensure all Milton Families in need have a wonderful holiday season.

Check out the <u>Glover Sign Up Genius</u> to see what is needed, and to sign up to donate an item(s). Please see attached for more information.

Bring your new, unwrapped item(s) to one of the collection boxes in the lobby of Glover between December 2nd and December 12th.

Third Grade Continental Math League: We are hoping to be able to offer a third grade Continental Math League before/after school club this year as we have in previous years but we need someone to run it. We have everything ready for you and will help you through the whole process. We just need someone with 45 minutes to spare, every other week, any day of the week, either before or after school. If you're interested in learning more, please email me and thank you for considering!

Grade Five Postural Screening: Please see attached about upcoming mandatory postural screening conducted by Nurse LeBlanc for all fifth grade students.

We The People: Talking to our children about racism: Please mark your calendars for Saturday, December 14 from 8:30-11:30. Our friends at Tucker have invited us to attend a special event hosted by the organization We The People to help start a developmentally-appropriate conversation about racism with children.

Diverse Reads Family Book Club Update: Our 3-5 Book Club is enjoying The Firefly Code and all students are excitedly preparing for a visit from Megan Frazer Blakemore on December 4. For an autographed and personalized copy of one of her books, please see attached order form. Next up, we will be enjoying The Season of Styx Malone by Kekla Magoon and will be skyping with her on January 29. In February, we'll be reading Lalani of the Distant Sea by Erin Entrada Kelly and she will be skyping with us on March 12. A huge thank you to Glover's PTO, Diversity Committee, and Glover parent Sara Crowe for bringing these wonderful opportunities to our children. **Parent Speaker Series:** Up next, on Monday December 16th at 6:30pm at the MHS auditorium, author and Tucker parent, **Calvin Hennick presents** "**Great Expectations: What Do We Want From Our Boys?**"

As parents, we know that the old ways of raising boys into men no longer works. But once we leave behind outdated "boys will be boys" notions of masculinity, what are we left with? What exactly do we want from our boys, and what kind of men do we want them to become? In this talk, author and parenting writer Calvin Hennick explores historical expectations of men and boys, unpacks how those expectations have already changed and continue to evolve, and suggests ways that parents can prepare their sons to meet the challenges of today's world. His upcoming memoir "Once More to the Rodeo" was named as one of Amazon's Top 100 Books of 2019 and Winner of Pushcart's 2019 Editor's Book Award. This will be a night not to be missed.

Carline at Arrival: Thank you all for respecting traffic patterns and carline etiquette. As a reminder, we need to get children out of vehicles safely and efficiently in the morning so please pull all the way up rather than stopping right at the end of the bridge so that other vehicles may also pull in. Also, please do not park your vehicle and get out. We have staff to help your child disembark. There is no parking in the carline at any time. Last, please understand that vehicles should only be taking a right, not a left, into the parking lot in the morning. The suggestion is to enter Whitelawn at the far entrance (near School St), loop around, and pull into the drop off line correctly. Please also know that we do not have staff monitoring in the Turner's Pond lot so if you are dropping off there, it is at your own risk.

Milton Soccer Uniform Program: Our very own Mme. Brown spearheads this donation drive every year and it is awesome! If you bring in your old soccer uniforms, we'll pass them on to children all over the world. Just drop off your used uniforms and equipment in the collection bin located in our lobby. Any donations of CLEAN T-Shirts, shorts, socks, shin guards, cleats, and deflated balls and pumps will be gratefully accepted. Note that uniforms from other sports will also be accepted. Collection ends December 20. Thank you for your support! This project is supported by the Milton Public schools and Milton Soccer.

For Your Calendar:

Wednesday, November 27-Friday, November 29: No School

Wednesday, December 11: Glover Site Council- 3:30 Wednesday, December 11: Glover PTO- 6pm Thursday, December 12: Early Release Day (12:30)- Parent/Teacher Conferences Thursday, December 19: Glover Diversity Committee- 7pm December Break: last day of school- Friday, December 20, return to school- Thursday, January 2 Friday, January 24: Glover Social!

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to me any time with any questions or concerns. Have a wonderful weekend!

In Partnership, Karen McDavitt Principal, Glover Elementary School