

# Glencoe Elementary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### January 26, 2024

#### UPCOMING EVENTS - check website for full month

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Monday, 01/29/2024	<b>NO SCHOOL - Teacher Planning Day</b>	
Tuesday, 01/30/2024	<b>OBOB Practice</b> After-School - Yoga	10:45am - 12:10pm 2:30pm - 3:15pm
Wednesday, 01/31/2024	<b>OBOB Practice</b> After-School - Circus After-School Coding	10:45am - 12:10pm 2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:20pm - 3:20pm
Thursday, 02/01/2024	After-School - Basketball 3-5 After-School - Spanish	2:30pm - 3:30pm 2:20pm - 3:20pm
Friday, 02/02/2024	After-School - Baton After-School - Lego Robotics	2:30pm - 3:00pm 2:15pm - 4:00pm

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Glencoe Families,

It's hard to believe that today marks the end of the 2nd Quarter. When we return to school on Tuesday, January 30, it will officially be the second half of the school year. We have been through a lot. I appreciate the communication and support of our families that has helped us get through it.

Next Thursday is February 1. February is Black History Month, and we honor it in different ways at Glencoe, not only in February, but throughout the year. In January our BSU (Black Student Union) affinity group returned to Glencoe on Fridays during lunch. Our second graders are currently studying a unit on the Civil Rights Movement in the US which poses the question "How can people respond to injustice?" This unit will go through March, and culminates with students completing a biography project. Topics of racial equity such as this are embedded throughout the curriculum, and students and teachers across grades discuss on a daily basis what it means to uphold our Glencoe values of inclusion, collaboration, caring, and persevering. If you are interested in learning more about [Black History Month](#), and ways you can celebrate at home, there are many resources included in the link. If you would like to partner with our community to think through other ways to uplift Black History Month at Glencoe, please reach out!

In appreciation,  
Katie

## **No School Monday, January 29**

Please remember that there is no school Monday, January 29 for a teacher end-of-quarter grading day.

## **Quarter 2 Report Cards**

Report cards will go home in students' backpacks on **Monday, February 5**. Please remember that conferences served as comments since they fell so late this quarter. If you were unable to attend a conference, your child's teacher will include the conference notes in the comments section of the report card. We will get back to our regularly scheduled report card/comment cycle on Quarter 3 report cards.

## **PTA NEWS**

### **Columbia Store Pass for PTA Members**

Oregon PTA is offering a Columbia Employee Store pass to Oregon PTA members! If you haven't joined or renewed your membership this year yet, it's not too late to [become a member for free!](#) (Glencoe PTA fundraises to pay each Glencoe PTA member's dues for Oregon and National PTA, but **all memberships are free to Glencoe families** as of this year.)

### **Game Night Fun!**

Thanks to everyone who came to our first Glencoe Game Night last night. It was so fun to try new games, eat yummy snacks and hang out with friends in a relaxed atmosphere at school!

### **Bike Bus News**

Did you know? Our Bike Bus is part of a larger network of Portland Bike Buses who collaborate on safety, best practices, and advocacy. You can check out their new website at <https://bikebuspdx.org>.

**Quick Links:** [PTA Website](#), [Facebook](#), [MemberHub](#)

## **FOUNDATIONS NEWS**

### **Volunteers Needed for Glencoe Foundation Treasurer Role**

The Glencoe Foundation is seeking a dedicated volunteer to serve as Treasurer. This crucial role involves managing our foundation's finances, including collecting, depositing funds, and overseeing financial reports. Your contribution will directly support the educational and extracurricular experiences of our students at Glencoe Elementary. If you have a background in finance and a passion for enhancing our school community, please consider joining our team. For more details or to express your interest, contact Richard Raseley at [richard@raseley.com](mailto:richard@raseley.com).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BELMONT LIBRARY ACTIVITIES**

Hi, it's Sugene, your neighborhood youth librarian here! We have some of the fun things happening at the Belmont Library. [Belmont Library Youth Programs](#)

### **For grades K-5**

**Family Craft Time** - Saturday, Jan 27, Feb 10 at 11am

**African Storytelling** - Saturday, Feb 3 at 11am

### **For grades K-3**

**Read to the Dogs** - Saturday, Jan. 27 at 2pm

### **For grades 4-5**

**Tween Council (also for 6th gr.)** - Friday, Feb. 2 at 4pm

**Graphic Novel Book Club** - Friday, Jan. 26 at 4pm

## **ESPORTS YOUTH CAMPS IN PORTLAND**

Warner Pacific University's Varsity esports team is hosting Youth Camps in our new Esports arena on our campus. These camps will provide participants with the opportunity to complete a challenge in Minecraft, play group & individual games, and connect with our esports student-athletes.

Esports is a rapidly growing industry. Not only does esports include competitive video games but it also includes content creation, image branding and marketing, and project management. This is a keen opportunity for youth to develop their soft skills such as communication, teamwork, attention-to-detail, and more! Often, kids who are non-athletic miss the opportunity to develop these skills that are often harnessed by student athletes. Now, by embracing esports, we have a chance to change that. Esport athletes are learning how to be more effective communicators and stronger team members. These are skills that will follow them into their chosen career field and we are excited to help develop. ■ [Warner Pacific University - Esports Camps - Generic.pdf](#)

### **Camp Details**

**When:** February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9 am - 4 pm

**Where:** Warner Pacific University's Otto F. Linn Library

**Challenge:** Students will design an igloo, make a video showcasing their creativity, play games with other students, eat lunch, and HAVE FUN! [Registration Link](#)

All camp staff are background checked and employees or students at Warner Pacific University.

## **OBOB Pool Play Battles**

We had a successful first week of OBOB Pool Play battles! Here's the [battle schedule](#) for the remaining pool play battles. There are 3 more weeks of battles for 3rd and 4th grade and 2 more weeks for 5th grade. In case you need it, here's the link to the [OBOB at Glencoe](#) webpage where there are lots of links to practice questions under the Resources tab. The [Author pronunciation guide](#) can be very helpful for team members to quiz themselves on the title and author.

## **LOST AND FOUND**

**The four lost & found racks are full!** We would love to reunite items with owners. Labels help a lot with this. If your student's item is labeled, we return them to their classrooms periodically. **Please encourage your student to look at the racks for missing items. You are welcome to come into the building and take a look as well.** If you can't make it, please email and we will take a look. Items left over 4 months may be donated to the PPS PTA Clothing Center. We are looking for one or two parents to help with lost and found. Help is needed to keep the racks organized and to reunite tagged items with owners. If interested, please email Isabel Johnson [johnson.isabel@gmail.com](mailto:johnson.isabel@gmail.com).

## Winter Walk & Roll to School Day - February 7th, 2024

Students are encouraged to bundle up and join Safe Routes to School as we walk and roll to school on National Winter Walk & Roll to School Day, February 7th, 2024. On this day, students all over the country put on their cold weather gear and brave the elements as a community.

## VARSITY TUTORS Offers Free Personalized Support

Portland Public Schools has partnered with Varsity Tutors to provide unlimited, 24 hour live support from highly qualified tutors, self-study resources, and engaging extracurricular classes. Please see flyer for details. [More Information](#)

## FAMILY MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Hello Glencoe Families! Below are two resources to support families in navigating and supporting their kid's mental health and behavior.

- **NAMI Basics:** A free, peer-led educational course for parents and caregivers of youth up to age 21 experiencing mental health barriers and/or behavioral challenges. This class meets weekly for six weeks. **Dates:** January 9th-February 13th, 2024 **Schedule:** Tuesdays, 5:00-7:30 PM **Format:** Online via Zoom. See flyer [here](#). Register online [here](#).
- **Parent Support Group:** For parents and caregivers of children/adolescents experiencing symptoms of a mental health condition and/or behavioral challenges. **Schedule:** First & third Wednesdays of every month **Time:** 4:00 PM - 5:15 PM **Format:** Online via Zoom. Join our notification list [here](#) to receive group reminders and meeting links.

## HEALTHY CHOICES BULLETIN

[January Healthy Choices Bulletin](#)

## SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

[January Safe Routes to Schools Newsletter](#)

## INDIAN EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

[January Talking Circle Newsletter](#)

## LET'S STAY HEALTHY

See this helpful info from: [Managing Illness](#)

## TAG



TAG Information can be found [HERE](#).

## Where Families Can Find COVID-19 and Flu Vaccines for Students

Please see the attached letter about where families can find 2023-2024 COVID-19 and flu vaccines for their students. [More Information](#)

## **PROGRAM FLYERS**

### **Camps, Classes, After School:** (New items highlighted)

VIBE of Portland [Music & Digital Art Classes for Kids](#)  
Cognizart [360 Arts Camp](#) (July 8-12, 15-19, & 22-26)  
Rec Tennis Maplewood [Tennis Afterschool Zone \(Jan. 16 - Mar. 5\)](#)  
OSU [Summer Reading Program](#)  
VIBE of Portland [Art Camps & Classes](#)  
AFS-USA Student Exchange Programs ([Flier 1](#)) ([Flier 2](#))

### **Preschool Programs:**

Portland Parks [Preschool 2024-25](#)

“Portland Parks & Recreation is holding a registration lottery for our Educational Preschool program for the 2024-25 school year. Interested families can apply now through February 21 to be included in the lottery.”

Multnomah Early Childhood Program [Free Preschool Classes](#) ([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#))

### **Community Events & Information:**

Oregon State University Summer [Dog-training Research Program for Children with Developmental Differences](#)  
City of Portland [311 Non-Emergency Hotline](#) ([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) ([Somali](#))

### **Vaccinations, Health & Wellness:**

Multnomah County Free Community Vaccination Clinic (Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays)  
([English](#)) ([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) ([Chinese](#)) ([Russian](#)) ([Somali](#))

Multnomah County Student Health Centers

[Cleveland HS](#)  
[Franklin HS](#)  
[Jefferson HS](#)  
[McDaniel HS](#)  
[Roosevelt HS](#)