# Glencoe Elementary School Weekly Newsletter February 9, 2024

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Monday, 02/12/2024	After-School - Imagine This PDX Art After-School - Theater Fun K-2 NO After-School - Drama Club	2:15pm - 3:15pm 2:15pm - 3:30pm
Tuesday, 02/13/2024	OBOB Practice After-School - Yoga Kinder Connect (Adults Only) Art Infusion Parent Training	10:45am - 12:10pm 2:30pm - 3:15pm 5:00pm - 6:00pm 6:30pm - 8:00pm
Wednesday, 02/14/2024	OBOB Practice After-School - Circus After-School Coding	10:45am - 12:10pm 2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:20pm - 3:20pm
Thursday, 02/15/2024	After-School - Basketball 3-5 After-School - Spanish	2:30pm - 3:30pm 2:20pm - 3:20pm
Friday, 02/16/2024	Principal Coffee After-School - Baton After-School - Lego Robotics	8:15am - 9:00am 2:30pm - 3:00pm 2:15pm - 4:00pm
Monday, 02/19/2024	ADDED SCHOOL DAY	

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Glencoe Families,

It's hard to believe we are nearing the 100th day of school! February 28 marks the big day. We've had an exciting week here at Glencoe - from Sibling Story Time and Wednesday Morning Meeting to the Kindergarten Lunar New Year parade. Our focus on Black History Month continues with history lessons in PE, and digging into the historical accuracy of events during the Civil Rights movement, such as the Montgomery Bus Boycott, in 5th grade. If you would like to learn some historical context to the jump rope, check out this video!

February is a busy month for celebrations, observances, and community events. Be sure to read the information from the PTA below on what is coming up this month at Glencoe. We look forward to seeing you around over the next few weeks!

Have a wonderful weekend!

In appreciation,

#### **Site Council**

Despite the inconsistent start to this year, we are still hopeful to get our site council up and running. If you are interested in being part of this important group to help us make decisions that benefit our community, please let me know. The commitment is a one-hour meeting after school from 2:30 - 3:30pm. We will have two meetings this year, one in March and one in May. Thank you in advance for your participation!

#### Kindergarten Info Session

On Tuesday, February 13 we will welcome prospective kindergarten families to learn more about our K program. We would love to have a panel of current Glencoe families to answer questions from the parent perspective. If you are available from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM that evening, and would like to come talk about how awesome Kindergarten is at Glencoe, please let me know. You do not have to be a current kinder parent to participate. Even if your child(ren) went through kindergarten in the past few years, we would appreciate your insight. Thank you in advance!

#### **Sweet on the Street Drop-Off**

At drop-off on Valentine's day morning, we will be handing out cards to families that are "sweet on the street" - those who are walking, biking, parking and walking, and otherwise dropping off on foot. Please be on the lookout for our helpers, and if you choose to drive, please drive extra carefully!

## **PTA NEWS**

## Winterfest @ TaborSpace Tomorrow

Taborspace is holding a <u>Winterfest</u> tomorrow, **Feb 10, 10am - 1pm**. It's a fun, cozy, free event, with music, wellness discussions, treats, a <u>puzzle and game swap</u> and more. They're also proud to announce Crema has opened in the coffee shop space.



Family Dance, February 23

Join fellow Glencoe families for the return of a Glencoe tradition, the Family Dance! DJ Golden Gull will be playing tunes the whole family will love, and there will be light snacks to share. The event will be from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. We hope to see you there!

## **Clothing Closet Volunteers**

Volunteers are needed for Glencoe's first volunteer day at the Portland Public Schools/PTA Clothing Center! Volunteers help kids receive clothing and sort donations so there are lots of choices for kids to see. Last school year the Clothing Center was able to assist 1,060 PPS Students! Of note - without clothing center volunteers students are not able to go to the center.

When: Monday, Feb. 26th, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Where: Marshall (Benson HS) Campus, 3905 SE 91st

Sign up to volunteer on Konstella!

## **Movie Night and PTA Meeting, March 8**

On Friday, March 8, the PTA will host a brief PTA general meeting at 6pm, followed by a family movie night! Stay tuned for details; we hope you can join us!

## **Glencoe Buy Nothing Live, March 22**

Join us for <u>Glencoe Buy Nothing Live</u>, an evening of giving and receiving clothes, books, toys, and small household items! Items can be for any age. Please bring items that are clean and in good condition. No need to bring anything to participate! Non-perishable foods can also be brought for the Oregon Food Project. If you are interested in volunteering, look for a Konstella sign-up coming soon.

## Sale of Property Next to School; City Seeking Public Comment

You may have noticed a <u>sign</u> posted in the grassy area on Morrison (i.e. where dogs are allowed at pick-up). The property is owned by the City, and is being considered as a surplus property to sell. The sale would not include the passageway through the hedge to 52nd. According to the Portland Bureau of Transportation, the sidewalk next to the chain link fence and the steps up to Morrison are considered alleys and would likely be closed during potential construction, one at a time, so families could still pass to get to school.

Learn more <a href="here">here</a>, and to submit **public comment 1/17/24 - 3/17/24**, contact: <a href="mailto:Kevin.Balak@portlandoregon.gov">Kevin.Balak@portlandoregon.gov</a>; 503-823-6693; <a href="https://www.portlandoregon.gov/dam/68245">https://www.portlandoregon.gov/dam/68245</a>.

#### Cal Ripken Baseball

Glencoe Elementary is fortunate to have our own baseball/kickball fields for school and community use, and many Glencoe families are part of a team that maintains them and helps keep them clean. Registration is open for Cal Ripken baseball teams for 8 & under and 10 & under age groups, and if there is sufficient interest, there could be a younger t-ball team too. The league is co-ed and students from other Portland schools are welcome as well. All practices and home games are played on Glencoe Elementary fields! Questions? Email Glencoe parent Thomas Riley: thomas.c.riley@gmail.com.

**Quick Links: PTA Website, Facebook, MemberHub** 

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OBOB Pool Play Battles**

We are already at our last week of pool play battles! We've had such fun together. This week we have 3rd and 4th grade finishing up their fourth and final pool play battles. The top eight scoring teams will be announced by Thursday and they will participate in the Glencoe **OBOB Elimination Tournament on Sunday, February 25th from noon to 2pm**. Spectators are welcome! We will do a big group photo at noon with all the OBOBers so even if your student's team is not battling, we encourage them to come for the photo, stay to cheer on the other teams, and have snacks at the end.

#### FRANKLIN CLUSTER BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Is your child interested in registering for a youth baseball or softball team this Spring? **Now is** the time to get your child registered for Spring ball!

The attached handout was created by Friends of Baseball/Girls Lead Softball to help families:

- 1. Identify which league(s) their child is eligible to register for. Leagues usually require that players either live or attend school within their league boundaries.
- **2.** Locate youth league websites. This is where parents will find links to register their child(ren).
- **3. Understand how to access financial assistance.** Most leagues will provide fee assistance/scholarships for families for whom cost would be a barrier.

We hope to see you soon to **PLAY BALL!** 

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### **IMMUNIZATION EXCLUSION DAY - FEBRUARY 21ST**

To avoid long lines, get immunizations **NOW** rather than wait until closer to Feb 21 (School Exclusion Day.) School immunizations are now available at all of our Student Health Centers. Student Health Centers

- If your child is missing vaccines, it's time to catch up!
   Vaccines keep your child healthy and protected from serious diseases. They are required by law for all children in schools, preschools and child care facilities. Parents will be sent a letter if their child's vaccination records are incomplete. To avoid missing school or child care, get your child up to date on their vaccinations as soon as possible. Make a vaccine appointment now, as there may be a long wait.
- Si a su hijo le faltan vacunas, ¡es el momento de ponerse al día! Las vacunas mantienen a su hijo saludable y protegido de las enfermedades graves. La ley exige que los niños que asistan a la escuela, al preescolar y a la guardería tengan las vacunas al día. Los padres recibirán una carta si los registros de vacunas de sus hijos están incompletos. Para evitar perder días de escuela o guardería, póngase al día con las vacunas de su hijo lo antes posible. Programe una cita para las vacunas ahora, puede haber una espera larga.

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.

### **PPS ART EVENT CALENDAR LINK**

## PIL SPORTING EVENT CALENDAR LINK

#### SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

February Safe Routes to Schools Newsletter

#### **LET'S STAY HEALTHY**

See this helpful info from: Managing Illness

#### **TAG**



TAG Information can be found <u>HERE</u>. Here are some fun activities to try: <u>February Choice</u> Board

## 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)

City of Portland / Rose City Self-Defense Workshop Series:

Foster / Powell neighborhood, April 10 & 17

Lower Albina neighborhood, Saturdays, March 16, 23, & 30

VIBE of Portland Spring Break Camp (Mar 25-29)

VIBE of Portland East Winds Band Camp (July 22-26) (Spanish) (Russian)

VIBE of Portland Music & Digital Art Classes for Kids

Cognizart <u>360 Arts Camp</u> (July 8-12, 15-19, & 22-26)

Rec Tennis Maplewood Tennis Afterschool Zone (Jan. 16 - Mar. 5)

OSU Summer Reading Program

AFS-USA Student Exchange Programs (Flier 1) (Flier 2)

U of P Summer Learning Program ■ Summer Learning Program 2024.pdf

## **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 <u>Dog-training Research Program for Children with</u> <u>Developmental Differences</u>

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