



## Letter From Our Principal

Dear Glencoe Families,

about this information, feel free to bring the letter with you so teachers can explain the results.

Last Thursday was Principal for a Day and I was able to spend the morning with Alissa Keny-Guyer, the State Representative for our SE area. This is an opportunity sponsored by All Hands Raised to bring individuals into the schools to understand each schools' successes and challenges. We visited classrooms, talked to students and teachers and spent some time talking about Measure 97 and the positive impact it could have on education. If you have not yet researched this Measure I encourage you to do so before you turn in your ballot.

Friday night was the annual Harvest Festival. I heard from many families that it was one of the best ones to date. Not holding much history here all I can say is that it was very well done. There were so many new games, circus activities, Food Carts to order dinner and of course some repeat favorites such as Fortune Telling and Book Giveaways. I want to thank all the families who helped plan, set-up, execute and clean up. It was quite the production!

We are heading into an inconsistent school calendar this month with a variety of interruptions to the school week. Please make sure you are checking the calendar of events on our website.

Conferences are the week of Wednesday and Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will review a progress report, not report card, to give parents a solid understanding of their child's academic and social/emotional skills. If you have not yet signed up for a Parent/Teacher conference, please contact the main office for your appointment. If you are a parent of a current 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grader you should have received your child's state Smarter Balanced test results from Spring 2016 in the mail. If you have questions

Each school received a State Report Card in October. I reviewed the test results at Site Council and the October PTA meeting. Although schools did not receive an overall rating the report card shared each school's participation rate on the state test and students' performance in both math and reading. Out of the 220 students who took the state test 154/220 in math and 165/220 in reading performed at or above the performance expectation for their grade level. This is an increase in performance levels from Spring 2015. We had approximately 40 students who did not participate in the testing process so our participation rate fell under the 95% expectations set by the state. According to these results there is a gap in achievement between our white students, our students of color and our economically disadvantaged students. This is something that we are aware of and are attempting to address through our Equity and CARE work as a staff.

We are finally reaching Daylight Savings and turning our clocks back. So, don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour this coming Saturday night, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Hope to see you at this month's PTA meeting, Parent/Teacher Conferences or Family Art night on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

Best,

Lori Clark

Glencoe Principal

### Upcoming Events: November

11/2	Picture Retake Day	11/17	TAG Forms <b>DUE</b>	
11/4	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Teacher Planning Day		Family Art Night	6PM
11/9-10	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Conferences, Book & Craft Fair	10/18	Popcorn Friday	
11/11	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Veterans Day Holiday	11/22	Spirit Day: Tie Day!	
		11/23-25	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Thanksgiving Holiday	



### Attendance And Absences:

Here's a reminder about your child's absences and attendance. If your child is absent from school, please **call the school or email Carolyn before 9:15** to avoid getting the auto-dial absentee call from the district. **503-916-6207** [ccarr@pps.net](mailto:ccarr@pps.net).

### Text Alerts From Glencoe & PPS:

Text **YES** to **68453** to be registered for text alerts from the PPS district (emergencies, snow days, busses on snow routes) or from Glencoe (quick reminders, Bus is late, emergencies).

### Harvest Festival Recap!

**Wow!** That was possibly the BEST HARVEST FEST EVER!!!! Any event of that magnitude requires an army of volunteers and this was no exception! First a HUGE thank you to the Harvest Festival committee who bravely spearheaded the event: Kate Boomhower, Veronica Green, Julie Larson, Sunny Pavlus-Gold, Kaity Wu, Glee Rogers, Amanda Carlson, Judy Zawatsky, Heather Klawender and last but definitely not least, Krista Brockwood, Mistress of the Haunted Hallway!

New this year were the food carts: Pe-

### Thank You for Making the Book Exchange a Success

Many thanks to all of the families that donated children's books to the Book Exchange! Hundreds and hundreds of books were collected. There was a great variety of books, and this year's selection of books for older readers blew me away.

Leftover books are being donated to the **PPS Book Harvest**. If you still have some books to donate, please consider donating to the Book Harvest, which distributes books to students throughout the district. Books can be dropped off in the

pe Caliente, Wasabi Sushi, Steam Werkz, and Voodoo Doughnuts which were all great! Also new were many of the games and of course, the Circus Cascadia! Thank you to all these vendors who contributed to the night's fun atmosphere!

The Harvest Festival committee would also like to send out a huge thank you to all the incredible volunteers who put their ideas, time, creativity, and energy into our Festival. Your help and enthusiasm made our event a huge success and lots of fun! A special shout out to the school staff for their willingness to help and accommodate our many requests; and to all the folks that came to cele-

marked container outside the cafeteria from Oct. 31 - Nov. 8. If you are willing to drop off the books at 716 NE Marine Drive, I will help you load up your vehicle. Contact Judy at [judez-awatzky@yahoo.com](mailto:judez-awatzky@yahoo.com).

### Family Art Night

Please join us for Family Art Night on November 17 at 6pm in the cafeteria. We will be doing a collaborative community art project this year, rather than the paint-a-pots that we have done in the past - it should be a lot of fun!

brate. We appreciate you all and look forward to next year!

**If you participate in Halloween fun and go out for tricks & treats, please *be careful, be seen and try to keep dry!***

**Remember tomorrow is a school day, so don't stay up too late!**



### Green Glencoe:

Glencoe achieved the status of a Premier Oregon Green School in 2002. Glencoe has a proud history of reducing, reusing and recycling. This year the Green Team will be focusing on improving waste reduction efforts at our school and in our community. Anyone interested in volunteering to help Glencoe keep a Premier status, please contact : [crawh12@yahoo.com](mailto:crawh12@yahoo.com)

<http://oregongreenschools.org/premier-schools-showcase/>

Tip of the month- planning for the holidays:

<http://www.oregonmetro.gov/tools-living/garbage-and-recycling/reduce-waste-home/waste-wise-holidays>

### Spirit Day: Tie Day!

Our next Glencoe Spirit Day is Tuesday, November 22nd. Dust off those ties from the back of your closet, or find a goofy one to wear in order to celebrate Glencoe school spirit. If you don't own a tie but want to show off your spirit, see the [TIE TEMPLATE](#) attached to the newsletter, print, decorate, cut it out and tape it on!



### Restaurant Partners:

We made **\$450.30** from our Laughing Planet fundraiser!

The next fundraiser will be at **Por Que No** on Hawthorne on Wednesday, Nov. 16. They will donate 15% of sales all day long, with a \$500 cap. Tacos!

### New Partners!

**Flipside Hats** will donate 25% of all sales made on Dec. 3rd! 4432 SE Belmont - open from 10 am - 6 pm. Hats for men, women, and children! Get a head start on your holiday shopping!

**Hotlips Pizza** has a Pizza For Pencils program and we signed Glencoe up for May 16th!



## Music Notes

Dear Glencoe students and families,

All the fourth grade classes will sing two songs at the Wednesday Morning Meeting on Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>. The theme for the songs is caring and inclusive community, two of our Glencoe values. Fourth grade families are invited to come at 8:20 am on Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> to hear your children sing!

I am enjoying meeting the parent volunteers who are participating in music classes with us. Thank you to those of you who are making the time to do this!

Musically yours,

Deena T. Grossman



## Food Drive for Military Families

Once again we will be collecting non-perishable food items for military families in need this holiday season. Please help by bringing any canned goods, pasta, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, hot chocolate mix, stuffing, etc to school and put in the collection bin in the main hallway. We will be collecting starting Monday, November 7th until December 14. Thanks so much in advance for supporting those that serve and keep our nation safe!



## Food Drive



## Lost & Found

Our Lost and Found rack and table are spilling over! Please make sure to check it out before the end of conferences on November 10th because everything will be packaged up and sent to the PTA Clothing Closet.

Our fabulous L&F volunteer, Heather Crawford has been busy trying to return as many items to their owners as possible. It helps when your student's name is written inside the labels, on the lunchboxes and bottles.

The rack & table will be in the main hallway during conferences so please stop and take a look!

Dear Glencoe Parents,

As we are moving into cold and flu season I just want to remind everyone about keeping your sick kiddos home from school. If your child has any of the following symptoms, they need to stay home from school and may return once they are symptom free for 24 hours or have a note from the doctor clearing them to be at school:

- Fever of 100.5 degrees or higher (orally)
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Cough: deep, barking, congested or productive

For more information on when you should keep your child home from school please refer to the "[When to Keep My Child Home](#)" link in the School Nurse section of the Glencoe website. You can also call if you have any questions. Thank you all for your help keeping our students healthy and safe.

Tegan Leipzig, RN  
Glencoe School Nurse



## Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences are coming up on Wednesday 11/9 and Thursday 11/10. If you have not signed up for a conference please call the school office as soon as possible.

While at your parent conference, you will be asked to fill out the Successful School Survey which will provide PPS administrators with comprehensive data that measures the differential experience and perceptions of PPS staff, students, and families of all races and backgrounds in our schools. This measurable, specific feedback will shape an action plan for the continuous improvement of schools and services to children and families.

## Join us for our annual Craft Fair.

I the cafeteria on November 9 & 10, 8-5. Have a little holiday shopping to do or maybe something for yourself? Come browse our vendors hand crafted items. Buy a raffle ticket for a chance to win a gift basket. Only \$1 enters you for a chance to win. All raffle proceeds go back to Glencoe for the student scholarship program. Check out our Facebook page for some photos of items being sold, <https://m.facebook.com/CraftfairGlencoeElementary/>

We still have space available for a few more crafters. Please contact me by 11/8. [bplance@comcast.net](mailto:bplance@comcast.net)

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair is coming to Glencoe **November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>**. We'll have a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Come on by the cafeteria before or after your child's conference. The fair runs *both* days of conferences, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Can't make it? Support our school and your child's reading by shopping online. You can browse an expanded book selection at [scholastic.com/fair](http://scholastic.com/fair). The *online* fair runs from Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> to Nov 15<sup>th</sup>. We sure could use your help! Sign up sheets for book fair volunteers are on the cafeteria doors. It's fun and easy! [bederka.christina@gmail.com](mailto:bederka.christina@gmail.com).





## Help Your Child Succeed in School: **Build the Habit of Good Attendance Early** School success goes hand in hand with good attendance!

### DID YOU KNOW?

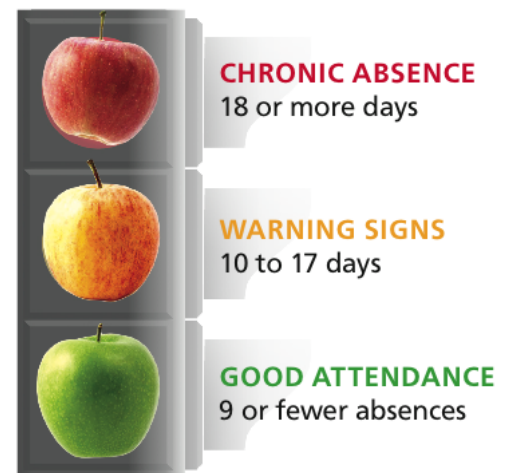
- Starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing 10 percent (or about 18 days) can make it harder to learn to read.
- Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two days every few weeks.
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.
- Absences can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

**Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Good attendance will help children do well in high school, college, and at work.**

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Set a regular bed time and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Find out what day school starts and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Introduce your child to her teachers and classmates before school starts to help her transition.
- Don't let your child stay home unless she is truly sick. Keep in mind complaints of a stomach ache or headache can be a sign of anxiety and not a reason to stay home.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors, or other parents for advice on how to make her feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- Develop back-up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Avoid medical appointments and extended trips when school is in session.

### When Do Absences Become a Problem?



Note: These numbers assume a 180-day school year.

For more on school readiness, visit [attendanceworks.org](http://attendanceworks.org) and [reachoutandread.org](http://reachoutandread.org)