

Glencoe Elementary School

Weekly Newsletter

December 13, 2019

UPCOMING DATES

Date	Event	Time
12/13/19	Popcorn Sales	2:20 PM
12/16/19	Site Council	2:45 PM
12/20/19	SPIRIT DAY – PAJAMA DAY	
12/23/19 – 1/6/2020	NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK	

LETTER FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Glencoe Families,

We are in the last stretch before a two-week winter break. We have a busy week coming up and energy is flowing within the walls of Glencoe.

Our climbing wall is being installed on Monday and we cannot wait. Students will be able to see it once it is installed and then be introduced to it through planned activities in the New Year. All of our third graders are heading out on a field trip on Tuesday to the Rice Northwest Museum of Rocks and Minerals as part of their Rocks and Minerals Unit. Wednesday we have one of our Performing Arts assemblies, Taiko Drumming, paid for by our Run for the Arts funds. If you are unfamiliar with Taiko Drumming, check it out at this [link](#). Always a wonderful assembly that our students enjoy! Friday is Pajama Day so please encourage your child to wear their favorite pajamas (or comfy clothes) and bring a stuffy if they like. We will finish our week with a well-earned, all school Flop-and-Read at the end of the day on Friday. All classes are invited to “flop” in the halls or community spaces, cozy up and read for the last 45 minutes of the day. It will be a great way to end the month of December at school!

Best,
Lori Clark
Glencoe Principal

MUSIC NEWS



K-1: Where are your ASK ME Starter Packs? We are adding 2 songs/activities to our Starter Packs this week. Look for them in your child's papers from home. (A BIG THANK YOU to classroom teachers for helping with this!) Your child will probably need help opening the ring and putting them in the back of the pack. Have fun enjoying these songs/activities at home! (*Reminder: all kindergarten and first grade families should have received a pack at conference time.*)

Grades 3-5: Recorders are still available for purchase at \$3 each. If your child still needs one, send \$ with them to music or after school. They are for home use. We have started working on singing 'Simple Gifts' by Joseph Brackett. We will begin/or have begun (depending on the class) working on a recorder piece to compliment the song. I am working on a way to get music online.

Second grade is when we start focusing on saying, decoding, reading and creating rhythms. We are focusing on quarter and eighth notes (eighth notes written in pairs or triplets) using a 2/4 time signature and have just added 6/8 time signature (and a dotted quarter note). At this point we are using the eighth notes in groups (not singles- after winter break in 6/8). We have not introduced rests.

Ask your 2-5 graders about our new dances: Alabama Gal and Chimes of Dunkirk!

-Lisa Davidson, music specialist and educator

TAG NEWS

All TAG nominations have been submitted to the district (nominations are closed for this school year) and we are now waiting for test dates for those who need to be tested (most likely January or February dates). As of this writing, we still do not have 2nd grade Intellectual scores from the NNAT3 test. I will communicate further information (as I receive it) through emails just to 2nd grade families.

Thanks, Lisa Davidson (Glencoe's TAG facilitator, l davidso@pps.net)

LIBRARY NEWS

A big thanks to all who have donated/upcycled their coloring books to Library Tuesday indoor recess supplies! They are very appreciated- by both the students and me! and we are saving- literally- reams of paper. THANK YOU! - Ms. Diane

ART INFUSION

Art infusion is looking for donations of "found objects." As you are cleaning out your house before and after the holidays, you may have some objects which would be helpful donations for an upcoming art infusion project.

After the break, the 3rd and 4th graders will be doing a two-part lesson. In the first lesson, they will draw an object. Then, in the next lesson, the students will turn that object into a sculpture. We have roughly 160 students who will each need an object to draw and "sculpt," so we need a lot of objects. These objects need to be roughly between 3 and 10 inches in size, and can be anything from silverware to spray bottles. (Simple objects and toys would be most useful.) The pictures below are for reference. The first gives examples of potential objects, and the second shows a few finished sculptures. There will be a bin near Glencoe's main entrance to collect these donations.

If you are the parent of a 3rd or 4th grader and they have a specific object that they would like to use for their art, they can either hold onto it at home, or store it in their locker until their class does this lesson. Thank you!



FOUNDATION NEWS – GROW GLENCOE

Buy-in Parties

Want to help with the auction, but don't have a lot of time? Consider sponsoring a buy-in party! The team currently needs individuals with a few hours of time to donate.

- Run an after school program – the school art room is available most Mondays. Run a craft, game or song party for an hour after school. If we charge \$25 for 25 kids, the Foundation earns \$625
- Glencoe Ball – this time-honored event may not happen without a person (or two or three) to coordinate
- Other ideas include off site kid activities, and adult dinner, learning a skill or just having fun.

Questions or ideas? Contact Kate Kirkham at katekirkham@hearthsidehealing.com

Getaways – Do you or someone you know have a *vacation home*? Please ask if they'll donate. Typically our biggest money maker is overnight experiences. Questions? Contact Bob Murphy at bob_murphy@hotmail.com

Auction Items – Have a gift card or unopened gift at home that you're not using? A skill that you can share with the community? A bottle of wine valued at over \$15? Please donate it. Questions? Contact Sara Weith at saramae.weith@gmail.com

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At Belmont Family Dentistry, every patient gets individualized care because we understand that no two patients are alike. Our goal is that individual patient's - your - needs are met. In building symbiotic relationships with you and your family, we have long-term relationships that are mutually valued. With your input, we come up with a custom plan together that provides the oral care you need and deserve at a level and pace that works for you.

Our doctors, Dr. Tinkle and Dr. Yoon, love meeting new people and helping many work through dental anxieties. Their passion comes from the excitement that each day brings, as they get to improve their patients' oral health, their smile, and their confidence.

Please consider frequenting the businesses that sponsor and support our school auction. If you do, let them know that we appreciate them. We raised our goal this year to \$10,000 - We are so very close! If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or know someone who might be, please contact: a.l.capitano@hotmail.com or (503) 753-3225. Deadline for sponsorships is January 6.