

# Glencoe Elementary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### November 20, 2020

#### UPCOMING DATES

Date	Event	Time
11/16/2020 – 11/29/2020	PTA SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR	
<b>11/20/2020 – 11/22/2020</b>	<b>Dairy Hill Ice Cream Thanksgiving Fundraiser (see link below under PTA)</b>	<b>Order by 11/22/2020 for pickup before Thanksgiving</b>
11/23/2020 – 11/24/2020	NO SCHOOL – PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES	
11/25/2020 – 11/27/2020	NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING	

#### NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Glencoe Families,

As I write this newsletter I am ever so grateful for a beautiful fall day. The air is crisp, the sky is clear and the sun is shining. A wonderful sight in Portland this time of year. Today was our “mask” spirit day and students did a fantastic job decorating an animal mask for their class meeting. I was able to join Mrs. Clarke’s 3rd grade class and Mrs. Connolly’s 5th grade class for the game “Guess My Animal”, a version of 20 Questions. I loved the variety and creativity!

Our students are doing quite a bit of writing in their classrooms and I am enjoying seeing their work in Seesaw. Earlier in the week I enjoyed watching a first grade ESL class, taught by Mrs. Ngai, our ESL teacher as students worked on a “How To” paper. Then today I was part of a session in Mrs. Fisher’s classroom where students were sharing their written stories and receiving feedback from their peers in small breakout rooms. Even though we are in a virtual setting, students are still learning and collaborating with each other!

Next week is P/T conferences and I hope you have signed up to meet with your child’s teacher. I have asked teachers to squeeze in one announcement about “Glencoe Gulls Give”. We know there are families in our Glencoe community who are in need of some assistance this winter. We have also heard from families that they would like to support other families within our community. If you are needing a little extra support (that will come in the form of a gift card), please reach out to me through email, office voicemail or text. Your name will be kept confidential.

If you are a family who is able to help other Glencoe families in need, please consider dropping off Fred Meyer, Target, Amazon or Walmart gift cards (\$25 or \$50 increments) to Glencoe through the mail slot at the bottom of Glencoe’s main door or during the Library Book Swap the week we return from conference break. If you have questions about donating, please email Mackenzie Weintraub: [mackenzieweintraub@gmail.com](mailto:mackenzieweintraub@gmail.com). **Whether you need assistance or can offer assistance, you can find the important information at this link: [“Glencoe Gulls Give”](#).**

I want to thank the parents who reached out to me with interest in representing the Glencoe Community during Phase 2 of the Southeast Guiding Coalition. I ended up drawing names from the list of individuals who were interested. We are hoping for at least two individuals to be an active member in the coalition meetings. These individuals will be attending the meetings and gathering information. There are varying interests and opinions where school boundaries and decisions are concerned. Our goal

is not to have our representatives “push an agenda” one way or the other but to be involved in the process so we can communicate clearly with our families and so families have a person to reach out to regarding this process. Abby Houston (1) and Kelly Fisher (2) are two Glencoe parents whose names were drawn. If we can have more than two then I will return to our list and inform the next parent(s) drawn.

I wish everyone a wonderful weekend!

Best,

Lori Clark  
Glencoe Principal

### **PTA NEWS**

Please click this [link](#) for a time-sensitive fundraiser for Thanksgiving at Dairy Hill Ice Cream on Hawthorne!

### **PTA SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

Dear Families,

Next week is the last chance for purchasing books through the virtual Scholastics Book Fair!

If you can purchase two copies of a book or have your child choose a book to share, we are asking that extra books be dropped off at your next school book exchange and Glencoe staff will distribute books to families in need.

Remember, every dollar you spend will benefit our school directly (25% back in rewards!). Orders will be shipped direct to your home and you’ll receive FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25.

**Fair Dates:** November 16 – November 29

**Online Store:** <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/glencoeelementaryschool2>

Thank you for all your support!

Glencoe PTA

### **PTA GLENCOE GULL GIVES**

This winter the PTA would like to help meet the needs of families at Glencoe and we are asking for your help. If you’re able to give this year, we are asking that gift certificates are purchased in increments of \$25 or \$50 from Fred Meyers, Target, Amazon, or Walmart. Glencoe staff will distribute gift certificates to families who need assistance this winter.

You can drop off your gift certificate in an envelope into the school’s mail slot or bring them to the book exchanges on Dec. 2 and 3. If you are unable to drop off gift certificates Mackenzie can pick them up. We are asking that all gift certificates get to Glencoe by Friday, Dec. 4.

If you purchase an electronic gift certificate but do not have a printer you can send your gift certificate to Mackenzie for printing. Please reach out to Mackenzie with any questions:

[mackenzieweintraub@gmail.com](mailto:mackenzieweintraub@gmail.com). Thank you!