

Glencoe Elementary School

Weekly Newsletter

January 6, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS - check website for full month

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Friday, 01/06/2023	Popcorn Friday After-School Baton	2:15pm - 2:40pm 2:15pm - 3:00pm
Monday, 01/09/2023	PTA Meeting join us on Zoom using this link	7:00pm
Tuesday, 01/10/2023	OBOB Meeting	Recess
Wednesday, 1/11/2023	After-School - Circus Arts	2:15pm - 3:00pm
Thursday, 1/12/2023	OBOB Meeting After-School - Spanish	Recess 2:15pm - 3:15pm
Friday, 1/13/2023	Garden Club After-School Baton	8:15am 2:15pm - 3:00pm
Monday, 01/16/2023	NO SCHOOL MLK Jr Day	

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Glencoe Community,

Welcome back from Winter Break! We have had a great transition back to school.

We kicked off our first Wednesday Morning Meeting of 2023 by highlighting examples of perseverance in our school, such as first graders persevering through writing personal narratives.

Our Gulls sang Glencoe's School Song, written by our talented music teacher, Ms. Davidson. [Check out a clip of them singing part of the song here.](#)

I had the honor of dressing up as a Glencoe Gull on Thursday and visiting classrooms to hand out worms. [Here I am flying in to Ms. Davis's kindergarten class.](#) Students earned this unusual sight through accumulating Gull Tickets, which are given out for acts of care, collaboration, and perseverance. The pile of tickets is building rapidly due to how wonderful our students are!

Classes have jumped right back into learning. I saw Ms. Loveland's 4th graders identifying elements of poetry, Ms. Fisher's class using a variety of strategies to subtract fractions, and Ms. Maestas's class solving multiplication expressions.

Ms. DeVille's class was working on number talks when I visited. This strategy, which we use in every grade level, involves students verbally making sense of numbers together. [For example, a kindergarten math talk might look like this.](#) Educational research shows that having number sense gives students a strong foundation for understanding complicated math concepts as they get older.

Take care,

Sarah Waltrip

Glencoe Principal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our goal is to start a Black Student Union at Glencoe this quarter, potentially beginning during our 2nd + 5th grade recess. Affinity groups are an opportunity for students to spend time with others who share an identity with them. The groups focus on building identity and community. We are **seeking a community member who shares the identity of the students to co-facilitate the group** with a Glencoe staff member. This would be a weekly group from 11:45-12:10. Please email Sarah Waltrip at swaltrip@pps.net if you are interested.
- Portland Public Schools values your feedback! Next month, we will be asking you to take a brief survey called the **Successful Schools Survey** to tell us about your experience with Portland Public Schools & Glencoe Elementary. You will be able to take the survey online at home, or at Glencoe. More information to come.
- Multnomah Education Services District (MESD) is looking for **School Health Assistants (SHA) to support various PPS schools** (not including Glencoe at this time). The SHA provides health care services to students including first aid, administering medications, and managing health-related emergencies. No medical experience is required. Training will be provided. SHAs work 6 or 7 hours each day (site dependent). If you have experience working or volunteering with children, or if you know of anyone who may be interested in becoming a PPS SHA, visit the MESD website for more information and to access the online [SHA job posting](#) and application.

PTA NEWS

PTA General Meeting Reminder

Our next PTA meeting is next Monday, January 9 at 7pm, and is open to everyone. We will hear updates on the playground project and Principal Waltrip will share a few brief updates. This meeting will be held virtually; you can [join us on Zoom using this link](#). We hope to see you there!

Thank You

There are so many ways to contribute to the wellbeing of our students and school community:

- Thank you to everyone who was able to contribute gift cards to the Glencoe Gulls Give effort in December. Your contributions made a meaningful impact for families in our community.
- Thank you again to everyone who pitched in at our December Grounds Clean-Up. It's looking great!

- Thank you to our committed Popcorn Friday volunteers. (More are always welcome!)
- Thank you to Tomi Lahdesmaki for the gift of his artistic talents and for donating the proceeds from sales of his beautiful [Mt. Tabor](#) print to the playground project.
- In gratitude to School Board Director Julia Brim Edwards for her efforts around class size last year, the PTA Board has gifted her a copy of Tomi's Mt. Tabor print on behalf of our community.
- We know that many of the ways that families support our students go unseen, so thank you to all families for all you do.
- If you have a creative idea for how to use your time or talents to help our school, please let us know! glencoeelementarypta@gmail.com

Upcoming Restaurant Partnership

[Slappy Cakes](#) on Monday, January 16.

Quick Links: [Donate to the playground](#), [PTA Website](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [MemberHub](#), [Email](#)

FOUNDATION NEWS

Grow Glencoe Foundation Updates

As parents and adults responsible for children we are constantly being pulled in many directions. When we send our children to school we hope that they are getting their needs met. At Glencoe many children benefit from the use of our reading specialist. This position is a critical part of helping children on their road to learning. The Grow Glencoe Foundation's primary goal is to raise enough funds to save our wonderful reading specialist. As we have mentioned before, this is a touchy subject and can be challenging to raise awareness. The simple fact is that without the funding from the Foundation we risk losing this incredible asset to our community.

This year the Glencoe Foundation has been very honored to be sponsored by so many amazing community businesses.

Diamond Level

[ASW Global Consulting](#)

Platinum Level

[The Hangout](#)

[Portland Nursery](#)

[Pine State Biscuits](#)

Gold Level

[Parkside Orthodontics](#)

Silver Level

[Belmont Family Dentistry](#)

[Take the Yoga and Run](#)

[Norris Arts- Ceramics Studio](#)

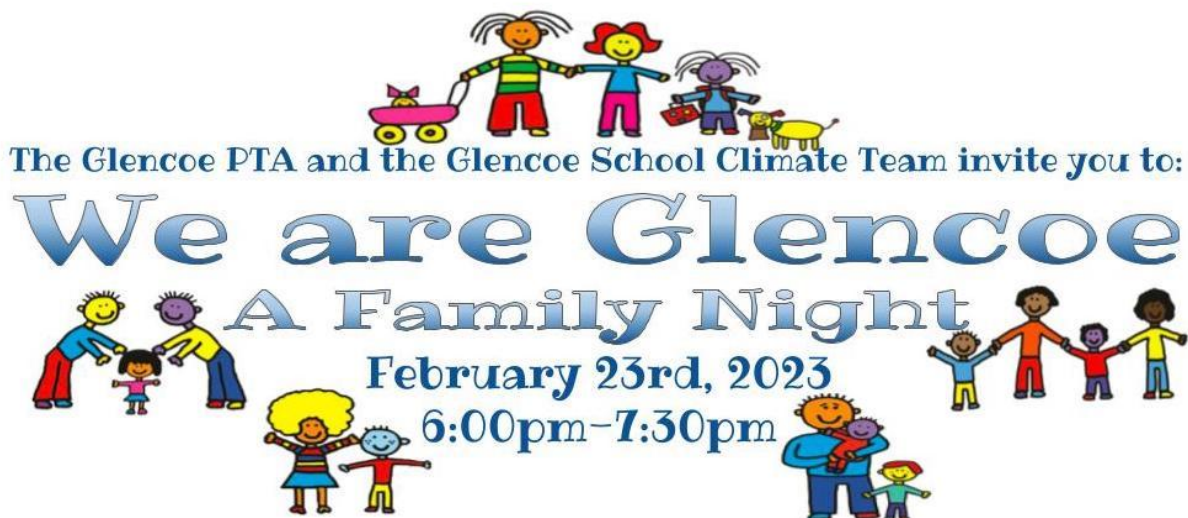
If you are wondering how you can help there are plenty of opportunities:

- Donate Directly [here](#) (tax deductible)
- Sponsor the Foundation (email [Sara](#))
- Donate an Item or Service to our auction (email [Sara](#))
- Have an idea?- Let's chat about it!

Mark your Calendars- February 13-20- ONLINE AUCTION!!!!

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

GLENCOE FAMILY NIGHT



Please join us in celebrating the families of Glencoe Elementary! Come meet and mingle with other Glencoe families, spend time with your own family completing an art project to let others know just who your family is, and enjoy some tasty food. Please complete [this survey](#) to help our team determine how much food and art supplies we will need.

ART INFUSION

[Art Infusion](#) is Glencoe's classroom art program taught and run by volunteers. Volunteering is a great way to help and visit your child's classroom! The program is especially important because, while we do have music, Glencoe does not have a visual arts curriculum. Volunteers are trained to teach each lesson before they head into the classroom. Free childcare and all lesson materials are provided during the evening training sessions. **No art experience is necessary!**

Please volunteer to support visual arts in our school!

Training Night: Tuesday January 17th, 6:30pm in the cafeteria.

Our super 2nd grade families will be providing snacks this month.

January Lessons:

Kindergarten: Ed Emberley Fingerprints (stamp pads)

First/Second Grade: Space Paintings (watercolor)

Third/Fourth Grade: DaVinci (3D Objects in pencil)

Fifth Grade: Radial Prints (printmaking)

Remember, if you can't make the lesson, you can still help out in the class!

For more information email: glencoe.art.infusion@gmail.com.

LGBTQ+ SUPPORT

Are you a parent or caregiver wanting to learn more about supporting a young person in your life who is or could be LGBTQ+ identified? If so, this guide is for you: [English](#) or [Spanish](#).



TAG

Please visit our website for TAG updates: [TAG Website](#).

SAFEOREGON PROGRAM

Since September 2017, Portland Public Schools has been encouraging its community to utilize the SafeOregon tip line to report unsafe situations including threats of violence, fights, drugs and alcohol, weapons, bullying, harassment, intimidation, or self-harm. All tips reported through SafeOregon are immediately routed to a tip line technician 24/7.

SafeOregon was funded by the Oregon Legislature as part of a statewide effort to improve school safety. The tip line provides a secure means for a person to anonymously report suspicious or imminently unsafe situations.

Anyone, from students to parents to community members, can access the system in a variety of ways, including:

- The “Report unsafe behavior” button found on every PPS school’s website
- The [SafeOregon website](#)
- A live call/text (844-472-3367)
- An email to tip@safeoregon.com
- The mobile app that can be downloaded from your smartphone via [iTunes](#) or [GooglePlay](#)

SafeOregon Brochures:

[SafeOregon – English](#); [SafeOregon – Spanish](#); [SafeOregon – Vietnamese](#);

[SafeOregon – Chinese](#); [SafeOregon – Russian](#); [SafeOregon – Somali](#)

No-Cost Health Care for Your Student at Franklin High School!

The Franklin Student Health Center, located at Franklin High School ([5405 SE Woodward St](#)), is open to *all* Franklin K-8 feeder school families, including yours. We’re like having a doctor’s office in school. Services include well child exams, COVID-19 vaccines and boosters, flu shots and school immunizations, prescription medications and lab tests, as well as mental health counseling. All services are provided with no co-pay or out-of-pocket costs, and we will see you

with or without insurance. Your student doesn't have to attend Franklin High School to receive these services. We see all Multnomah County youth ages 5-18, regardless of immigration status. And free interpretation services are available. To schedule an appointment call 503-988-3370.

- Hours: Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Friday, 7:45am-3:45pm, Wednesdays, 9:15am-5:15pm
- For more, visit multco.us/student-health
- Download the Student Health Center flier here: [English/Spanish](#)

HEALTH INSURANCE OPEN ENROLLMENT

The open enrollment period for individual and family health coverage runs from **November 1 to January 15** in Oregon. During this period, families can sign up, renew or change health coverage. Health insurance covers essential health benefits critical to maintaining individual health and treating illness and accidents. Health insurance helps to reduce medical and prescription drug costs, making health care more affordable and thus more accessible. Without insurance, people face considerable barriers in receiving health services. The [Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace](#) offers information, including types of coverage and links to free application assistance.

PROGRAM FLYERS

City of Portland: [311 Non-Emergency Hotline](#)

([Spanish](#)) ([Vietnamese](#)) ([Chinese](#)) ([Russian](#)) ([Somali](#))

Oregon State University [Summer Reading Program 2023](#)

VIBE of Portland [2022-23 Art Camps & Classes](#)

Multnomah Early Child Program [Preschool Classes](#)

Portland Parks & Recreation Preschool [2022-2023 Registration](#)

Kaiser Permanente CASCADIA COVID-19 screening study:

([English](#)) ([Spanish](#)) ([Russian](#)) ([Amharic](#)) ([Chinese](#)) ([Vietnamese](#))

Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace [Open Enrollment, Nov. 1 - Jan. 15](#)