Glencoe Elementary School Weekly Newsletter September 27, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS - check website for full month

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Friday, 09/27/2024	After-School - Lego Explorers	2:30pm - 4:00pm
Monday, 09/30/2024	After-School - Portland Drama Club After-School - Imagine This PDX Art	2:30pm - 5:00pm 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Tuesday, 10/1/2024	After-School - Yoga Playgrounds After-School - Portland First Film School	2:30pm - 3:30pm 2:30pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday, 10/02/2024	Sibling Storytime After-School - Circus Arts After-School - Coding With Kids	8:10am - 8:45am 2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Thursday, 10/03/2024	After-School - Adventures in Spanish After-School - Skyhawks Basketball	2:30-3:30pm/3:45-4:30pm 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Friday, 10/04/2024	After-School - Lego Explorers After-School - Portland Kelly Cadets Baton	2:30pm - 4:00pm 2:30pm - 3:10pm
Tuesday, 10/10/2024	Principal Coffee - CANCELED (new date TBA)	8:15am

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Glenoce Families,

Happy Fall! The countdown to our Rainbow Run is on! We are excited to host this fund-raising run to celebrate our 100-year anniversary throughout the school year!! The goal is to provide commemorative yearbooks and a Centennial t-shirt for all students. We also plan to throw a BIG community-wide celebration in the spring! Thank you to everyone who has already donated, we are already at 10% of our goal. There are still 21 days left to donate. Thank you for helping us make this 100th year a special one for our kids!

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you Monday.

Thank you, Katie

Art Infusion Announcement

After thoroughly exploring competing demands in instructional programs and priorities, the difficult decision has been made to no longer offer the Art Infusion program. I understand that the timing of this decision may feel abrupt, and please know that it was given careful consideration school-wide.

Art Infusion has been an important program for over 20 years at Glencoe, and I want to take this opportunity to appreciate the dedication of our parent volunteers that worked tirelessly over two decades to run the program. I also acknowledge that preparations for the program were already underway, and I apologize for the time spent by parent volunteers preparing for the year.

Unfortunately, the time needed to authentically engage in Art Infusion has become untenable given the reality of daily demands placed on teachers' time. This year they are managing two new curriculums and the extra professional learning and planning that comes with them. Additional expectations for planning and delivering in-class targeted skill building with students in small groups have also been added. Many teachers would like to dedicate time to creating content-related art projects in class that tie to the curriculum.

At its heart, Art Infusion served two important purposes - it was a way for parents to engage in their students' daily experience and to supplement art education at Glencoe. We continue to be committed to a strong school-home partnership, and to offering many ways for parents to stay involved in their child's school life. I am reassured that students will continue to receive arts education as part of the curriculum, and there will still be opportunities for parents to engage in their students' educational experience. Teachers will be reaching out with some upcoming opportunities and we hope you will continue to help us build community by partnering with us both in classrooms and for all-school events and field trips.

Here are some upcoming community-wide volunteer opportunities with available spots. In addition to those listed below, we will also soon be looking for Rainbow Run volunteers. Please be on the lookout for more information.

Bike Safety and Cycling Skills Volunteers Needed:

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Adopt the Lost & Found for a month:

https://www.konstella.com/app/school/5b99e2dde4b0cba1cae36f67/signups/66e9d2701b5c42d 2065d6db1

Rainbow Run!

This year's largest school fundraiser, the Rainbow Run, is coming up on **Thursday, October 10! Our donations page will be active until Friday, October 18!** Help us kick-off our 100-year celebration by raising money for Centennial Glencoe gear, yearbooks, and a BIG community party in the spring!



We are currently at 10% of our goal! There are 21 days left to donate!

QR codes are posted on the sandwich boards at drop-off and dismissal and on posters around the school - or you can donate at the link above! Thank you in advance for your support in making this year special for everyone!

TAG Information Session

We will hold our annual TAG (talented and gifted) Information Session on Wednesday, October 16 from 4:00 - 5:00. This virtual meeting will explain the TAG program in PPS, and the process for identifying students as TAG this school year. The meeting link will be included in this blurb closer to the date. We look forward to seeing you then!



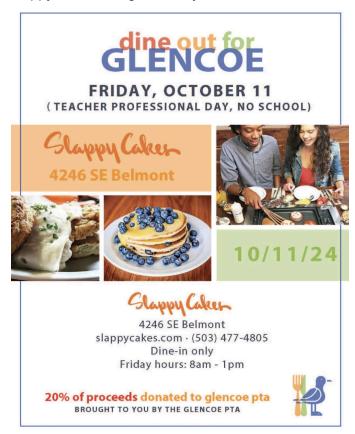
PTA NEWS

Walk+Roll Month Starts Wednesday with DONUTS

Every student who walks, bikes/scoots, buses, or park-and-walks (from 2+ blocks away) will get a donut hole this Wednesday morning, and a raffle ticket every morning until October 23. Hold onto your ticket stubs- students will earn **individual and class prizes**. If you have any questions, email glencoebikebus@gmail.com.

Slappy Cakes Fundraiser, October 11

Friday, October 11, is the first no-school Friday of the school year. Wondering what to feed your kids? How about **pancakes**? You can support Glencoe Elementary School on the day off with breakfast or brunch from **Slappy Cakes on Belmont Street**, open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Slappy Cakes will generously donate 20% of sales that day to the Glencoe PTA.



Help 4th & 5th graders learn bike safety and cycling skills!

We need one or two more volunteers most days this next week in order to safely kick off the program for Ms. Connolly and Ms. Hanes' large classes. Help new riders build confidence or support more experienced cyclists as they practice bike safety skills. This activity is led by Glencoe PE teacher Amy Lile and is supported with bikes and resources from the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT). This is a special opportunity for our students and requires significant volunteer support for safety reasons. THANK YOU to everyone who has already signed up to help. You can volunteer even if you don't have kids in the classes. Please sign up on Konstella today!

Bella Organic Corn Maze Fundraiser

Headed to the pumpkin patch this fall? When you visit Bella Organic's corn maze, Glencoe PTA can receive 50% of the proceeds. Tickets can be used anytime between now and October 31. This year's corn maze spells out "Thank You, Teachers" and includes 2.7 miles of pathways.

Tickets must be purchased from this website to support Glencoe:

https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/bellaorganicfarm/new-glencoe-elementary-school-corn-maz e-fundraiser-2024

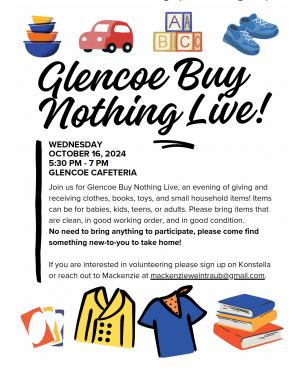


Oregon Battle of the Books, sign ups open now!

Students in 3rd-5th grade can participate, with practices and then battles taking place during recess from November through February. Sign ups are open now through October 25th so sign your kiddos up here! If anyone wants to get started reading, here is the list of this year's books! The OBOB books arrived at the school this week so now all 3rd-5th grade classrooms and the school library will have full sets of books. If you have additional guestions, you can email our volunteer OBOB coordinator, Laura Mertens at emmerson.laura@gmail.com

Glencoe Buy Nothing Live Event!

Join us for Glencoe Buy Nothing Live on October 16th for an evening of giving and receiving clothes, books, toys, and small household items! Items can be for babies, kids, teens, or adults. Please bring items that are clean, in good working order, and in good condition. No need to bring anything to participate, please come find something new-to-you to take home! If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up on Konstella.



Book Drive for Children's Book Bank – October 14-25

We are hosting a book drive for the Children's Book Bank at SMART Reading in order to provide book bundles to local preschool students! From 10/14/24 until 10/25/24, boxes for your gently used children's books will be located inside each of the three drop off doors. The Children's Book Bank is currently accepting board books and picture books for young students.



Quick Links: PTA Website, Facebook, MemberHub

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ART NEWS

It was so nice to meet everyone at BTS Night. I am so honored to be a part of this amazing community.

I also want to thank everyone who generously donated items from <u>my wishlist</u>. We have already started putting most of the items to good use. To ensure that I received your items, please double check your delivery confirmation.

Be on the lookout for artwork to come home towards the end of each month. While you wait, please follow my new <u>instagram page</u> to see a sampling of student work.

Crystal Simpson

Visual Arts Educator

LIBRARY NEWS

I've been soliciting input from our 5th graders about how to make the library as awesome as possible for their last year at Glencoe, and for years to come, and cozy reading spaces are at the top of the list! I'd like to transform our obsolete computer lab area ("before" pictures here) into nearly half a dozen comfy little, individually-lit reading cubbies. If you have clean & gently used throw pillows, removable/washable covers, or pillow-like stuffies (squishmallows or similar) to donate to the project, we'll give them a great new home! Donations can be dropped in the box inside the main entrance, and thanks for your support! ~Ms. Aubrey, Teacher Librarian

ART INFUSION

Dear Art Infusion Volunteers,

It is with a heavy heart that I write this message. After 22 years, the Art Infusion Program will no longer run at Glencoe. I want to thank all the volunteers/teachers for your time, dedication, and for showing up for our kids. It takes a truly unique community to pull off this massive program. Please take comfort in the part you played to make our community a bit brighter. I feel fortunate and proud to have shared this experience with all of you. What we did was important. I acknowledge that the timing is not ideal and feels abrupt. I apologize to all of you who spent time and effort that won't see fruition. I hope the unexpected end doesn't diminish what we accomplished. I wish you fond memories of taking ownership of learning something new and sharing it in your kids' classroom. I know my kids truly loved Art Infusion. Lastly, as a throwback to my very first Art Infusion meeting, thank you for boarding my boat and keeping it afloat. It has been an honor steering us.

In lieu of our Oct 8th parent training night, I invite all parents and staff to join me at Belmont Station to celebrate the end of an era, 7-8:30pm.

With gratitude, Michelle

FRANKLIN STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

All Multnomah County K-12 youth (ages 5-18) are welcome at the Franklin Student Health Center no matter where you go to school. We will see you with or without insurance. There is

never an out-of-pocket cost for services. Call for Appointments: 503-988-3370.



Your child can receive services at student Franklin Student Health Center



We are like having a doctor's office in school. All Multnomah County K-12 youth (ages 5-18) are welcome no matter where you go to school. We will see you with or without insurance. **There is never an** out-of-pocket cost for services.

Open: Monday-Friday during the school year

To make an appointment call: 503-988-3370 Same day and video/phone appointments available

Franklin High School 5405 SE Woodward St, Portland

- Well-child and sports ph
- · Immunizations (shots)
- · Routine lab tests
- Prescription medications Mental & behavioral health
- Vision, dental and blood



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

Safe Routes to Schools September Newsletter

INDIAN EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

Talking Circle September Newsletter

PROGRAM FLIERS Highlighted items are new

Camps, Classes, & After School Programs:

- Maplewood Tennis After School Zone (Oct. 8 Nov. 19)
- VIBE of Portland Music & Digital Art Classes for Kids

Preschool Programs:

- Multnomah Early Childhood Program Peer Preschool Classes (Spanish) (Vietnamese) (Chinese) (Russian) (Somali) (Korean) (Arabic) (Persian)
- Portland Parks <u>Preschool 2024-25</u>

Community Events & Information:

- Multnomah County <u>Common Application</u>
- City of Portland <u>311 Non-Emergency Hotline</u> (Spanish) (Vietnamese) (Chinese) (Russian) (Somali)

Vaccinations, Health & Wellness:

- Oregon Health Plan & Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace
- Multnomah County Free Community Vaccination Clinic (Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays) (English) (Spanish) (Vietnamese) (Chinese) (Russian) (Somali)
- Multnomah County Student Health Centers (fliers in English, Russian, Chinese, and Vietnamese):
 - o Cleveland HS
 - o Franklin HS
 - o Jefferson HS
 - o McDaniel HS
 - Roosevelt HS