

The Principal's Corner Glover School

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Dear Glover School Families:

I was admitted to the Hospital on September 17th. I had gone to the emergency room thinking I might have the flu; a high fever, body aches, headache, and nausea. After many tests it was discovered I had a tick borne disease called Babesiosis. It is a rare one that is contracted from ticks. To simplify it, the tick releases a parasite into your blood that attacks your red blood cells giving you malaria like symptoms. The doctors have been aggressively attacking it with four very strong IV antibiotics. The regimen is working. They have given me four conditions for my release. I have met three and the fourth is very close. I am hoping to be discharged Monday. When I am released I will not be allowed back to school for a few more days as they monitor me remotely to ensure I don't relapse. Living in Old Town I wondered where on earth I contracted a tick. Please check your children when they come in from outside and I recommend you to use a DEET based repellent.

The staff at Glover are so great, that things are running just as smoothly as ever. Dr. McManus, the Assistant Principal, from the Veterans Middle School has been sitting in my office to ensure the school is well covered.

The hardest thing about being sick is being away from Glover and all your wonderful students and our excellent staff.

I very much hope to return soon.

Picture Day: Our picture day is September 25th

Coffee with the Principal: Our next Coffee with the Principal is October 11th at 8:15.

Disaster Relief Fund Drive: The drive ends October 4th. **Please do not send in cash and make your checks out to the American Red Cross.**

Virtual Backpack: *There are a lot of exciting activities and events taking place in the community. For example Cub Scouts and Girl Scout signups. Don't miss out on any of these wonderful events. You will find a complete listing on the district website;*

<http://www.marbleheadschoools.org/index.php/quicklinks/virtualbackpack>

Important Dates:

- Picture Day September 25th
- Disaster Relief Drive end October 4th
- Coffee With the Principal October 11 t 8:15.

On behalf of our very caring, dedicated, and most excellent staff have a great week.

Regards,

Brian

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