

# The Principal's Corner Glover School

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"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase."  
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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Good Morning Glover School Families: The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Fine Arts Night was an amazing event. There is nothing more uplifting than hearing the angelic voices our students. Listening to the students playing the xylophones always amazes me. The artwork that graced our Cafetorium and hallways just makes all of us smile when we walk by them. A very large thank you to Ms. Guthartz, Ms. Fraser, and Ms. Miele for their hard work. We are also so grateful to you, the parents, for your continued support of the fine arts. Without your support we would be unable to keep fine arts in our schools.

**Fill Rocky With Love:** Today we begin our PBIS fundraiser. Rocky is our lobster mascot. We had the high school cut a four-foot lobster silhouette out of plywood. The students can buy small red hearts @ 25 cents for one or four for a dollar. They will then attach them to this lobster until he is filled up or we reach the end of the fundraiser on Valentine's Day. The money raised goes directly to our PBIS program and will be used to buy such things as our: Rocky Necklaces (Rocky Rockstar Awards), posters, Rocky Tattoos and all the other PBIS materials used in our socio-emotional program.

**Kindergarten Meeting:** A welcoming meeting for incoming Kindergarten Parents is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2017 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm Lower Bell School, Baldwin Road. *The meeting is for parents only.*

The Marblehead Public Schools encourage the parents of all children who turn five years old on or before August 31, 2017 to register for Kindergarten.

Kindergarten Registration (by appointment, M-Th) February 1 - 28, 2017. All registrations will take place at Central Administration, 9 Widger Road (781-639-3140 ext 26).

(Packets can be picked up at Orientation Night, at Central Administration, 9 Widger Road, or online from our website. Packet must be complete in order to register.)

For additional information please see the enclosure.

Morning Drop Off: Our teachers will only be able to work the morning drop off line for a short time longer. [If you would like to help brainstorm a solution, in a parent led effort, please contact Karen Byron @ \[kbyron@byrongrantconsulting.com\]\(mailto:kbyron@byrongrantconsulting.com\)](#)

**Fit February:** As January begins to wind down we will be focusing on Fit February, a month of activities focused on health. Fit February kicks off at our February 2<sup>nd</sup> Community Meeting. The PTO has sponsored the Todd Brodner Frisbee Show and Interactive Workshops. Todd will begin with a demonstration on Frisbee tricks. He throws in a bit of science discussing the aerodynamics of a Frisbee and then demonstrates the Frisbee Tricks that made him a three-time world champion. After that there will be a series of interactive workshops with the students that begins with lessons on balancing and stretching.

On February 13<sup>th</sup> we will be having our Jump Rope for Health. This is the 8<sup>th</sup> year we have held this fund raising event in conjunction with the American Heart Association. The students learn to jump rope and seek pledges for the amount of time they jump rope. Mr. Fargo opens the gym for free time when the students can come in and add minutes to their pledges.

Nurse Murry and Ms. Doben will be hosting healthy food presentations to the students.

More activities are planned so, stay tuned for more information.

**Virtual Backpack:** There are a lot of exciting activities and events taking place in the community. 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:**

- Fit February begins February 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Jump Rope for Heart Feb 13
- February Break February 20-24<sup>th</sup>

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

Regards,

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