News From Mrs. Ware
Glencairn Elementary School
May 27, 2016

Dear Glencairn Families,

Glencairn Family Picnic: Don't forget to join us this coming Thursday, June 2nd, from 6:00-8:00 pm for an end-of-the-year school picnic. Hot dog dinners will be available for $2.00, along with baked goods and ice cream from "Velvet Ice Cream & Fudge." Spartan Village families may ride the bus, which will depart the Community Center at 5:45 pm, with a return bus ride back to Spartan Village available at the end of the picnic at 8:00 pm. To sign up to assist with the picnic, please click on (or copy and paste) this link: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084da9a62aaa8-glencairn
A picnic RSVP form is attached to help determine the amount of food needed. Please complete and return the form by Tuesday, May 31st.

Mileage Club: Today was the last official day of Mileage Club! A special thanks to Sarah Holden, Kim Ringlever and Ms. Swales for their organization and coordination of Mileage Club this year. Thank you also to the many parent volunteers who donated their time to help punch running cards and/or supervise students. We couldn't have done it without you!

Regardless of when Mileage Club ends, some children would always be *"ALMOST"* at earning either their water bottle or t-shirt. For this reason we will be extending Mileage Club for 2 days for any child who is on their 4th or 6th card and has 8 or fewer laps to run before earning their water bottle or Mileage Club t-shirt. All other students will return to playing on the playground during last recess on Tuesday, May 31st.

Day at the Aquatic Center: Glencairn School will once again be going on an all-school trip to the East Lansing Aquatic Center on Thursday, June 9th. Hard copies of permission slip forms have been sent home with the children. The permission slips are due back to the teachers by Wednesday, June 1st (additional permission slip forms are also attached to this email).

We understand that our K, 1st and 2nd grade children have various swimming abilities. Some of these students may have played in the deep end or used the waterslides when visiting the Aquatic Center with their families in the past. However, because of the number of students we will have under our care, and in order to ensure that this field trip experience is as fun and safe as possible for all of our students, the teachers decided that all Glencairn K, 1st and 2nd grade students will remain in the shallow end of the pool (with no access to slides/diving boards). The teachers ask that any K-2nd grade parents in attendance on this trip also uphold these expectations for their K, 1st or 2nd graders during this school field trip.

Keep in mind that playing in the water with their classmates is what's most important to the children. Having K, 1st and 2nd grade students in various areas of the pool not only makes it difficult for the children, but it creates a very unsettling situation for these lower elementary teachers. The K-2nd grade teachers are hopeful that their parents will understand and support this decision.

These last few weeks are filled with fun! Please feel free to join us as your schedule allows.
Thank you for sharing your children with us.
Kind Regards,

Mrs. Lorraine Ware, Principal

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

May 30th: Memorial Day, NO SCHOOL

June 1st: Hula Squad Performance
2:30 pm for the school;
6:30 pm for parents and families

June 2nd: All School Picnic 6:00-8:00 pm; bus from SVCC at 5:45 pm

June 3rd: Glencairn Field Day

June 6th: Jump Rope Show, 2:30 pm

June 9th: All School Trip to the East Lansing Aquatic Center

June 10th: Last Day of School, half day, dismissal at 12:10 pm

Countries to be Recognized at Morning Celebration
May 30-June 3: Senegal

Music Class Update

Our wonderful music teacher, Mr. Berry, will be on leave for the final two weeks of school. Please know that we have a terrific substitute in place (our very own Mr. Chin – Ms. Williams' previous MSU intern). Mr. Berry will be back with us in the fall and is anxious to hear about the students' summer vacation!

Summer Birthdays

As we wind down the school year we don't want to miss out on recognizing those students with summer birthdays. We will be recognizing students' summer birthdays during Morning Celebration according to the following days:

June 6th: All June Birthdays

June 8th: All July Birthdays

June 9th: All August Birthdays

Friday is Field Day!

This coming Friday, June 3rd is our all-school Field Day! It'll be an afternoon of great outdoor fun, but we needs lots of parent help! If you are interested in helping out, please visit or copy & paste the link below. http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084da9a62aaa8-glencairn

Anyone interested in discussing fundraising for next year (the Fun Run, 5K, or any other large fundraiser), is invited to attend a parent gathering on **Tuesday, May 31st at 8:00 pm** at Cat Schwartz's house - 128 Kensington Rd, East Lansing, MI (612) 209-1778.)

A special thank you to Jen Lathom and Karin Polischuk, and to for all of the wonderful parents and students who helped with our Garden and Clean-up Day last Saturday, May 21st. It is amazing how much we accomplished thanks to all of the families who came to help us. Check out our wonderful planters!

Glencairn School Association
939 Harrison Avenue
East Lansing, MI 48823

Nurturing Each Child
Educating All Students
Building World Citizens

Dear Glencairn Families, May 17, 2016

The GSA is sponsoring a Year-End Picnic on Thursday, June 2nd with a rain out date of Friday June 3rd! The purpose is to raise funds for new basketball hoops for the playground. The Year-End Picnic will take place outside on the playground at Glencairn School from 6:00-8:00 p.m. All Glencairn students and their families are invited! We will be offering hot dog dinners with chips and fruit with lemonade and desserts for sale, including ice cream from Velvet!

The Year-End Picnic is free, however, there is a charge of $2 for the hot dog dinners which include sides and lemonade, $1-$2 for desserts, and $2 for Velvet ice cream. Music will be performed by various talented individuals that evening as well!

Our intentions are for students and their families to come and enjoy the food and music and just have fun playing together as our school year comes to a close.

In order for the GSA to successfully plan this event, we need to have an idea of how many people will be attending, and how many hot dogs and ice cream to order. Please fill out the bottom portion of this form and return it to school by Tuesday, May 31st.

Please fill out just ONE order per family!

Sincerely,
The GSA Board

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ONE Order Per Family Please!
Year-End Picnic Response
(Please return by Tues. May 31st)

_____Yes, we are planning on attending the Year-End Picnic! Number of people _____

Estimated number of hot dogs and ice cream needed _____Hot dog dinners _____Ice Cream

_____ _____ _____
Child(ren)'s Names Grade(s) Parent Signature

Student Name_____

Teacher_____

East Lansing Aquatic Center

Permission Slip for Kindergarten, First and Second Graders

This form MUST be signed and returned for your child to swim!

Return this page by Wednesday, June 1st

I understand that Glencairn Elementary School will be taking a field trip by bus to the East Lansing Aquatic Center on **Thursday, June 9th**.

_____**Yes,** I give my child permission to swim at the Aquatic Center. **I understand all kindergarten, first and second grade students will stay in the shallow area, with no access to slides and diving boards**

_____ **No,** my child **will NOT be swimming** at the Aquatic Center. I understand that he/she may play in the splash pad area or bring a book or game to play.

_____ I am available to help with this trip and will drive my own car to the Aquatic Center and pay my $4.00 entry fee at the park. (Unfortunately there is no additional room on the buses.)

____ **I am including $5.00 for the Aquatic Center Trip**

____ **I am requesting a scholarship for my child**

____ **I am including an additional donation to the scholarship fund of $** _____

All students should bring:

☺ A towel (if swimming; your child should wear his/her swimsuit to school), lunch and sun lotion
☺ A lunch in a bag with your name on it! (No glass allowed in park)
☺ $5.00 by Wednesday, June 1st.
☹ **Do NOT bring**: water wings, fins, masks or other toys.
(Only Coast Guard approved life jackets are acceptable.)

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Parent Signature Parent Daytime Phone Number(s)

Student Name_____
Teacher_____

East Lansing Aquatic Center
Permission Slip for 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders

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Please also check below:

___ My child is **a strong, experienced swimmer** and may swim in the deep end of the pool and use the diving boards.
___ My child may swim, but in the **general pool area** which includes the water slides, but not the diving boards or deep end.
___ My child must **stay in the shallow area** (**no water slides**).

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