



Glencairn Parent-Teacher Organization

939 Harrison Avenue
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Nurturing Each Child
Educating All Students
Building World Citizens

September 29th, 2017 Newsletter

Dear Glencairn Families,

Many FUN RUN Updates...

- **Fun Run is only a week away!** In addition to being our biggest fundraiser of the year, the Glencairn Fun Run is also a fun, active, and healthy event for the children! Students will warm up and then walk or run around a track on the Glencairn playground with other students in their grade. There will be a DJ playing music and healthy snacks.
- Remember that you can donate via cash, check made out to the PTO, or the donation link in the top right of our [PTO website](#):



Our goal is to raise \$50 per student. Please don't forget to share this link with family and friends also!

- Donations are starting to come in and we are currently 14% of the way toward our \$9,000 goal. We have had 19 donations for a total of \$1,250 so far.

FUN RUN FUNDRAISING UPDATE

9/28/17

19 donations received

Thank you!!!



Glencairn Parent Teacher Organization is raising money for classroom support, field trips, and more.

More FUN RUN Information...

- The Fun Run schedule and bandana colors are as follows:

9:15-10:00	1 st Grade	Purple
10:05-10:50	3 rd Grade	Blue
10:55-11:40	Kindergarten	Green
12:25-1:10	4 th Grade	Yellow
1:15-2:00	2 nd Grade	Orange
2:30-3:15	5 th Grade	Red
- If you are planning on coming to the school to watch your son or daughter, please check out our sign-up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4da8ae2aa7fb6-funrun>. We will need volunteers stationed along the track and to hand out water and snacks.
- A very special **thank you** goes out to **Meijer** and **Fresh Thyme** for donating water and fruit for this event!

Glencairn Family Directory – Deadline extended to October 4th

The PTO is creating a school directory that will be printed and distributed to all families. It will include name, address, email, and phone numbers and is a great way for families to connect with each other outside of school. In order to protect your privacy the school cannot share your contact info with the PTO, and you must fill out the PTO Student Directory Form if you want to be included. **If you filled out a paper form for a classroom list earlier this year, that is not part of this directory and was only for the teacher.** We are collecting information electronically this year. Participation is optional. If you would like to be included please go [here to provide your information](#). It only takes about 5 minutes. **The deadline has been extended to Wednesday, October 4th.**

Popcorn Friday

Popcorn Friday starts this Friday and students who have signed up will receive a bag of freshly popped popcorn to take home! There are still many open dates where we need help popping popcorn. Please visit this site to sign-up if you can come in on a Friday afternoon to help:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/5080a4da8ae2aa7fb6-popcorn>.



Glencairn International Parents' Group

Did you know that we have children from 44 different countries at our school?! If you are new to the U.S. or to our community and have questions for your fellow parents, please contact Andrea Besley at andreabesley@gmail.com. We have a group of parents who can answer your questions and help you get settled at Glencairn Elementary.

First Teacher Luncheon

The first teacher luncheon of the year will be on Tuesday, October 17th. The fourth grade will be hosting this month. The signup will be emailed to fourth grade parents around 10 days before the lunch date.

Save the Date for Glencairn Science Night!

There will be more information to follow, but please save the date for Glencairn Science Night on Thursday, November 16th! The Save the Date flyer follows this newsletter.

September 12th Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the September 12th PTO meeting have been posted on the PTO Facebook page and also on our Website: <http://elps.k12.mi.us/our-schools/glencairn-elementary-school/parentsstudents/glencairn-school-association/meeting-minutes/>.

Let's get together! Next PTO Meeting is October 10th.

We always want to hear from you and we want you to hear what's going on in our school community. All parents are invited to the next PTO meeting in the Glencairn Elementary Library. **We will have social time from 6:30-7:00 p.m. with our meeting time from 7:00-8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10th.** Childcare is available for elementary aged children if you need it. Transportation can also be arranged from Spartan Village or 1855 Place. Please email karinpolischuk@hotmail.com if you need either care or transportation.

The Yale Whiffenpoofs Concert

The Yale Whiffenpoofs are a collegiate a cappella singing group. Established at Yale University in 1909, it is the oldest such group in the United States. The line-up changes each year, and former members include Cole Porter. A current member, Ian Billinge, is a Glencairn Alumnus. In recent years, the Yale Whiffenpoofs have been featured on NBC's the Sing-Off!

They will be performing at People's Church on Sunday, October 15th. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students.

They are offering a special deal to Glencairn families: order tickets through Mrs. Bridge, the music teacher, and 50% of the ticket cost goes back to Glencairn School. The Whiffenpoofs are even giving a special mini concert at Morning Celebration the next day for our Glencairn students and the money we raise from ticket sales goes to pay for this special performance!!

Please see the flyer that follows. To order tickets or for more information, email Mrs. Bridge at Erika.bridge@elps.us.

Many Thanks!

Thank you so very much to the original Biggby for the coffee and to the parents who brought breakfast treats for the first day of school coffee! It was a beautiful morning for drinking coffee and visiting outside!

Wrapping it up...

Mark Your Calendars!

October 6th – FUN RUN!

October 10th – PTO Meeting in Glencairn Library

6:30 p.m. Social Time

7:00-8:00 p.m. Meeting

October 11th – Picture Day Retakes

October 13th – Fun Run Rain Date

October 16th – Whiffenpoofs mini-concert at Morning Celebration

October 17th – Half day of school

October 19th – Half day of school

October 20th – No school

October 30th – 5th grade Halloween music performance

2:45 p.m. For Students

6:30 p.m. 5th grade students Report to school

7:00 p.m. For Parents

October 31st – Halloween parade and activities

Who We Are

The Glencairn Parent Teacher Organization exists to support the school and teachers, raising money through fundraisers such as the Fun Run, Popcorn Fridays and more. We want to share your ideas and energy to help make the school better.