



Glencairn Parent-Teacher Organization

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September 21, 2018 Newsletter

Dear Glencairn Families,

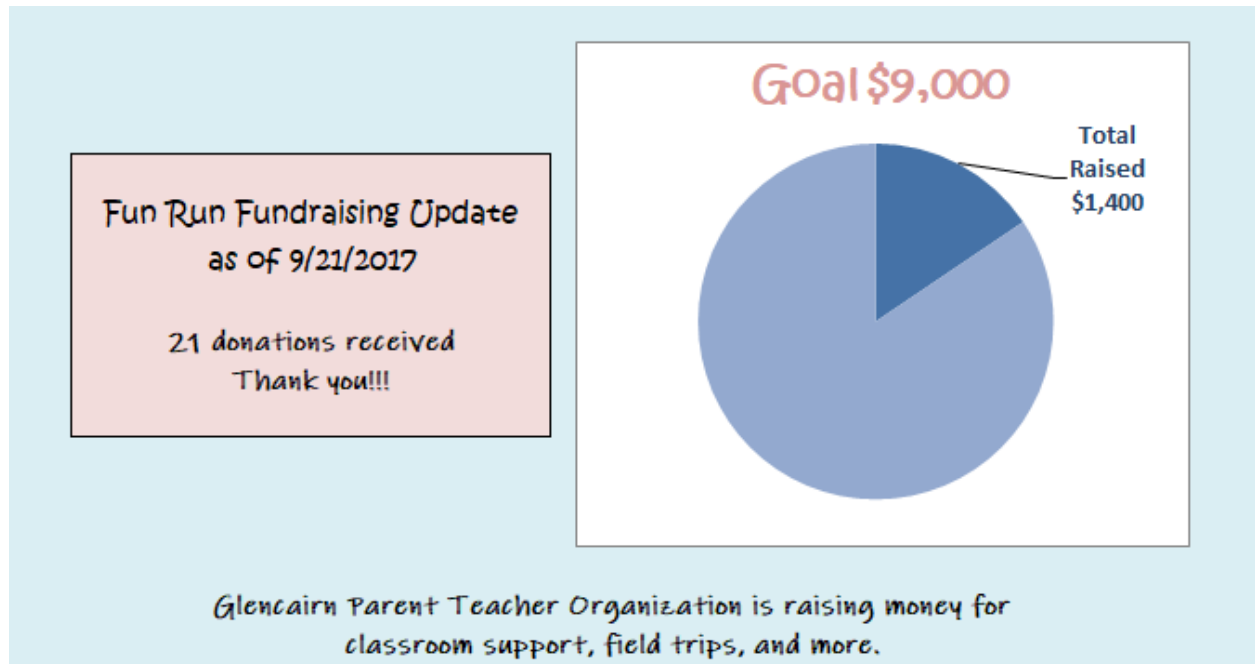
Update from the Fun Run Fundraiser Committee!

- **Fun Run is only two weeks away on Friday, October 5th!** We are going to take full advantage of the green space at Red Cedar School, running around the whole perimeter of the soccer field so that we'll have lots of opportunities to include some of the creative ideas that the kids have been brainstorming. We'll have a DJ as well as healthy snacks donated by **Meijer** and **Fresh Thyme**. The kids will also get a commemorative bandanna with Scotty, the Glencairn mascot printed on it! We are looking forward to a fun day full of healthy exercise!
- **Remember that you can donate via cash, check made out to the PTO, or by credit card at this PayPal link: <https://paypal.me/glencairnpto>.** You do not need a PayPal account to donate through the link. Cash and checks can be dropped off at the Red Cedar office.
- We still have a ways to go to meet our goal of \$9,000 and every little bit helps. Please don't forget to **share the attached letter with family and friends!** Kids will have fun personalizing the letter to send to family and friends that might be willing to donate to this important community cause.
- If your child has an idea for our "ninja warrior" inspired obstacle course, make sure they return their idea sheet soon!
- The Fun Run schedule and bandanna colors are as follows:

9:15-10:00	1 st Grade	Purple
10:05-10:50	3 rd Grade	Blue
10:55-11:40	4 th Grade	Yellow
12:00-12:45	Kindergarten	Green
1:35-2:20	2 nd Grade	Orange
2:40-3:25	5 th Grade	Red
- We would love to have parents come to the school to watch their children and will need volunteers stationed along the track and to hand out water and snacks.
- Jessy Gregg or Erin Black, our wonderful Fun Run co-chairs, can be reached at jessyhenderson@gmail.com or Erin.black9@icloud.com if you'd like any further information.

FUN RUN by the numbers...

- Donations are trickling in and we are currently 15% of the way toward our \$9,000 goal. We have had 21 donations for a total of \$1,400 so far.



Glencairn Friendship Families Program

We are very fortunate to have a diverse population of students and families at Glencairn Elementary School! Did you know that the school is starting a Friendship Family Program to allow international families to develop American friendships and learn about American culture and traditions? We would love to have every international family and as many American families as possible apply for and join this program. The application will serve as a way for families to be paired together. Families that participate will be encouraged to meet several times a semester to share a meal, do some activities in the community, or celebrate a holiday together. The American family would also be available to the international family to answer questions about life in East Lansing. The flyer and both applications will be included with this newsletter. Any questions about the program can be directed to Julie Bungard, ELL Teacher/District Coordinator by emailing julie.bungard@elps.us or calling 517-333-7484.



Last Call

- **Popcorn Friday** will be starting soon and students who have signed up will receive a bag of freshly popped popcorn to take home! Order forms were sent home with your student and we've also included one with this newsletter. Please turn in your order form by Tuesday, September 25th. Checks can be made out to the Glencairn PTO.

- The Glencairn PTO is creating a **student directory** that will be printed and distributed to all families at Glencairn. The directory is being finalized very soon, so please enter your information by Sunday, September 23rd if you haven't already.

If you would like to be included, please go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/glencairndirectory2018>

September 11th Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the September 11th 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 9th.

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 Glencairn PTO meeting in the Red Cedar Elementary Library. **Our meeting time will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 9th.** Childcare is available for elementary aged children if you need it. Please email karinpolischuk@hotmail.com if you need care.

Mark Your Calendars!

September 26th – Late Start for Professional Development – School starts at 10:45am

September 27th – Picture Day

October 5th – FUN RUN!

October 8th – FUN RUN! Rain Date

October 9th – PTO Meeting from 6:30-7:30pm

October 16th – ½ Day – School ends at 12:10pm

October 18th – ½ Day – School ends at 12:10pm

October 23rd – ½ Day – School ends at 12:10pm

October 24th – Late Start for Professional Development – School starts at 10:45am

November 26th-30th – 3rd Grade Big Zoo Lesson Week

December 14th – Movie Night

December 21st – All School Winter Singalong

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.