

GLENVIEW GRAPEVINE

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Calendar Notes

PTA Executive Board Meeting:

Weds., January 9th 6:30 - 8:00 pm

School Site Council Meeting:

Thurs., January 10th 6:00 - 7:30 pm

PTA General Meeting: Weds,
January 16 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Edna
Brewer Middle School

Living Jazz Performance: Fri.,
January 18

No School: MLK Day: Mon.,
January 21

No School: Fri, January 25

**Happy New Year to all of our
Glenview Families!**

If you have news or events that you would like to share with the Glenview community via Facebook, Konstella, the website or the Grapevine, please contact Karen Baughman, Vice-President of Communications.
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Good-Bye BigTent! Hello Konstella!

During the week of January 14, you will get an email invitation from your room parent to join Konstella, our new communication tool at Glenview. It will replace all the different tools we use, including BigTent, various spreadsheets, sign-up apps, and more. Konstella allows parents to message their entire class or individual parents, contains all the sign-up sheets created for your classroom or school-wide, and allows you to join committees and social groups. It also contains a calendar and reminder functions.

Step 1: When you receive your invitation, click Join in the email. Then follow the directions to register your children to their classrooms.

Step 2: Set your notification settings so they are customized for you. (After registering, click your account name in the top-left, click Account Settings, go to the Notifications tab, make your choices, and finally click Save.)

Optional: If you want to receive text notifications, you can download the app to your Android or iPhone device.

If you need help, there are many help options in the coming weeks, including a Konstella Questions group under Social Group. You can also email your room parent with questions. To get hands-on help, you are invited to the **1/16 PTA meeting at Edna Brewer Middle School at 6pm. Additionally, there will be a help session at the 2/1 Parent Coffee at school.**

Finally, a note: We are rolling this out mid-year because BigTent has been shut down. Please be patient as we make the switch from email and multiple tools to this all-encompassing communication platform. We are excited about all the possibilities that it offers, but it will take some time to fine-tune it.

Host A Party This Winter

Hosted parties are a fun way to get to know the Glenview community while donating to the school. Parents host parties, and other parents pay to attend. Some are family events, and others are kid- or adult-only. But all are fun all around! Will you consider hosting a party this winter? A dinner party? A New Year's party? We have ideas if you are willing to host.

Contact Lindsay:
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Camp Brainy Bunch

Camp Brainy Bunch is run by our former Principal Chelsea Toller and owned by a local OUSD family. This amazing summer day camp has run programs for students entering grades 1-6th at locations throughout the Bay Area for many years and we are excited to hear they are coming to Oakland in the Piedmont Ave. neighborhood! You may even see some of your favorite Glenview teachers as part of the summer 2019 staff....

Camp Brainy Bunch combines the best parts of school (learning!) with the best parts of camp (fun!). Each week instructors provide a different amazing curriculum designed for campers to try on new identities as young doctors, lawyers, writers, engineers, inventors, leaders, and

Principal Quinn's Corner

Happy New Year! I really hope everyone had a safe, restful winter break. We have some new things starting this week:

1. Welcome, Mr. Gilley! Mr. Gilley is our new STIP substitute. He will be at Glenview every day, wearing many hats. One hat will be teaching some PE under the guidance of Coach Jose. This will allow Coach Jose to work with more small groups and do more Restorative Justice circles as we revise what our Social Emotional Learning supports will look like without Coach Cuny. Mr. Gilley will also be releasing teachers so that they can observe each other teach as we continually seek to improve our practice and reach all of our students. He also will be taking over some of the lunch recess supervision that Ms. Brodsky and I have shared. Believe me, there is no end to the list of how another adult who loves kids can contribute to our school. We are so excited to have him join our team!

2. On Friday, we will be starting a 4th and 5th grade leadership club. Each 4th and 5th grade class chose some representatives to meet biweekly with me to look for ways to make Glenview better, including more student voice in our decision making.

3. A group of older students has taken leadership in starting a "Magic the Gathering" club. They met with me the week before break and came up with guidelines for this club, especially with the lens of putting Equity at the center. How can we encourage students who do not know how to play the game? How do we make sure the games are fair and that the winners are not just the students who have the means to buy more card decks in search of the elusive rare and valuable cards? How do we make sure the diversity of the club reflects the diversity of our school? The students themselves came up with amazing ideas-- choosing referees, making sure there are certain days that are "open hand" with designated coaches to teach new players, having a plan for outreach to new players, etc. For now this club is just for 4th and 5th grade students at lunch. When we work out the kinks, we will look for ways to expand it to lower graders. PTA has offered to buy school decks for the clubs, and we are also seeking donations of gently used cards.