

GLENVIEW GRAPEVINE

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Calendar Notes

PTA Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 8th 6:30 - 8:00

School Site Council: Thursday, January 9 6:00 - 7:30

Oratorical Festival: Wednesday, January 15

PTA General Meeting: Wednesday, January 15 6:00 - 8:00

MLK Day: Monday, January 20th
NO SCHOOL

Equity Meeting: Monday, January 27, 6:30 - 8:00 contact lizzyvlasses@gmail.com if you are interested in attending - note this meeting will not be at school!

MLK Oratorical Fest

The Glenview Oratorical Festival assemblies will be held on Wednesday, January 15th. Parents are invited to attend this Glenview tradition! We hope you can join!

- 8:40 to 10:15 3rd through 5th grade
- 10:40 to 11:20 TK through 2nd grade

PTA General Meeting

Wednesday, January 15 6:00 - 8:00!

Please join Glenview parent, Cara Meredith, and Sequoia parent, Myisha T. Hill, founders of Have the Conversation, for a discussion on talking with kids about race. Join us in the Glenview auditorium on Wednesday, January 15th, which will include dinner from 6-6:30 and childcare from 6:30-8 pm. Come ready with your questions, as well as a pen for writing down notes. Copies of their books, *The Color of Life*, and *Check Your Privilege*, respectively, will also be for sale afterwards.

Schools and Communities First

Presentation at Edna Brewer: January 14th 6:00 - 7:30

Come join the Edna Brewer community for our general PTSA meeting. Ben Grieff from Evolve will lead a discussion on Schools and Communities First—the new ballot initiative that could result in up to \$40 Million a year for Oakland Schools. We'll also be talking with Dr. Jamal Cooks about how to build equity and inclusiveness into our school communities. There'll be dinner for all and Pixar shorts in the playhouse for kids.

Principal Quinn's Corner

Welcome Back! I am looking forward to getting back to work with our kids! Here is a reminder about our emergency procedures:

Preparing For Emergencies

Every month, Glenview staff and students practice safety drills. In addition to it being best practices for our community, we are required by state law to have regular drills that help us to think through our steps in any emergency.

News Bites

Raising Kids in the Digital

World: Tuesday, January 21st, 6:00 to 7:30. Are your kids asking you for a smartphone yet, or do they already have one? This presentation will explore how to keep kids safe, happy, and healthy in the digital world. Together, we'll discuss best practices and resources that parents can use to support their kids in managing technology, smartphones and media in the digital age. We'll explore how we can use media in balance as a family, find quality content, set expectations around healthy and appropriate use, and raise media savvy consumers and creators. This presentation is especially for our 4th and 5th grade families but is open to all interested parents and caregivers. This program is intended for adults only. This presentation will be facilitated by Adam Saville. Adam is the Technology Coordinator at Piedmont Middle School, a former principal, a certified Common Sense Media Educator, and a proud Glenview Elementary parent.

Save Dates for Black History Month Activities at Glenview!

Friday, Feb 7: African-American Read In in the morning

Thursday, Feb 13: Black History Month Morning Assembly with Oratorical Winners and Living Jazz performance (2nd and 3rd grade)

Our community will practice fire drills, lockouts, lockdowns, earthquake drills and bus evacuations. Age appropriate language is used by the teachers in order to be sensitive to children's developmental needs. Lockouts are similar to a "shelter in place". The purpose is to help us prepare if there is an incident or occurrence that would require us to make sure the building is completed locked. During lockouts, children are still allowed to use the restrooms and the school continues business as usual. We do not evacuate. During an earthquake drill, students go under the tables and hold on to the leg of their table. Then we safely evacuate. A lockdown drill is to prepare for the unlikely situation in which there is a dangerous situation is actually on campus. During this drill, the teachers lock their classroom doors and students are expected to stay in classrooms, stay quiet and stay away from windows, etc. During a fire drill students evacuate the building and we gather on the yard to make sure our community is safe.

If there was ever a reason for us to leave the campus entirely, students will be evacuated to the Temescal Creek Park on 53rd and Adeline. These drills can create an opportunity to talk to your children about your own family safety plans. If there was an earthquake during the school day, who would pick your child up? If there is a fire at home, do your children know what to do? These can be scary topics to discuss, but children (like adults) generally feel reassured knowing that the adults have a plan and that the adults in their lives will always do everything they can to keep them safe.

Sometimes parents want to know the times and dates of drills in advance. This isn't possible because these dates can change depending on weather or other events at school. In addition, we want our students to learn that drills can happen unannounced (including when the alarms go off by accident!), so that if this does happen they are prepared. Remember that anyone you want to have access to your child even during an emergency must be on your child's school emergency card. Please contact the office if you need to update your emergency contact list. Children will only be signed out to the adults on their emergency card even during emergencies.

Science Fair News

This year, science fair projects will be due on Thursday, March 5th and the celebration will be on Friday, March 6th. This is much earlier than in previous years. Stay tuned for information regarding posters and projects in the new year!!