

Glenfield Middle School

Weekly Family Bulletin - April 19, 2024



Important Dates:

4/24 - PTA Meeting 7 pm (at Just Jake's)

4/26 - MP 3 Report Cards in Genesis - 4 pm

4/26 - Spring Musical - Evening Performance - 7 pm

4/27 - Spring Musical - Evening Performance - 7 pm

Mykee Fowlin:

As Principal Pierce mentioned this week, Glenfield School and the parent community were treated to a powerful assembly by guest speaker Mykee Fowlin. Many of the students reported to Ms. Pierce that this was the best presentation that had seen and the message that Mykee shared with the students has resonated throughout the building. Thank you to the parents who showed up his night presentation after receiving a stamp of approval from your children. As Mykee reminded his audiences, sometimes we truly don't know what others are going through which is why we always want to lead with kindness.



Take your Child to Work Day!

The Montclair Public Schools are participating in "Take Your Child to Work Day" this year on Thursday, April 25th. We hope that our students have the opportunity to visit your place of work. This is an **excused absence** and will not count toward your child's absent tally. Just be sure that you let the Main Office know that you're participating!

Spring Musical!

Fiddler on the Roof tickets are now available for the upcoming performances of "Fiddler on the Roof" on Friday, April 26th and Saturday, April 27th in the Glenfield Auditorium. Both performances begin at 7pm. Tickets can be purchased by heading to <https://glenfield.ludus.com/index.php>



Holocaust Speaker:

Students and Staff in House Orange had the privilege of speaking to a Holocaust survivor, Bob Sochor on April 16th. He is from the Jewish Federation of MetroWest and spoke to our students about his experience. This visit was coordinated by ELA teacher Kristine Norat and was connected to what House Orange students are studying in their ELA Class.



NJSLA:

NJSLA State Testing will occur the week of May 6th. Look for Glenfield's E-Blast on April 18th which was sent to families with information related to NJSLA testing. Students should arrive to school on time with a charged Chromebook and a pair of wired headphones each day.

Glenfield shines at Model Congress!

Glenfield students showcased their debate, negotiation, and persuasive skills at this year's Middle School Model Congress (MidMC) on April 18th, competing against students from Buzz Aldrin and Renaissance Middle Schools. The event, entirely organized and managed by students from Montclair High School, provided a platform for young minds to debate mock bills, mirroring real congressional sessions and aiming to boost political awareness and citizenship. 18 Glenfield students won awards in their various committees for their hard work! Shout out to the Glenfield Social Studies Department for overseeing our success!

Glenfield Theater Department receives Accolades!:

Each year, Glenfield MS Theatre is proud to participate in the Montclair State University Foxy Awards, a competition that rewards excellence in middle and high school theatre.

We are happy to share that last year's Winter Play, *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)(Revised)(Again)* and our Spring Musical, Tuck Everlasting, have been nominated for **TWENTY THREE** awards!!

In addition, our theatre teacher, Mr. Lupfer was nominated for The Jo Anne Fox Award-MS Teacher, given to a director who is: "an inspiration to their students, whose passion for theatre is infectious, and who creates a community; a loving extended family in their school in the process of producing high-quality productions."

Congratulations to everyone who participated in these shows!!

High School Scheduling:

Our 8th-grade students met with Counselors from Montclair High School as well as Annex Vice Principal Mr. Clark as they prepare for their transition to High School. The Counselors passed out materials related to High School Scheduling and they will be returning to Glenfield next Monday and Tuesday to help students register for classes. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Citro.

Planting:

Thanks to the generosity of our friends at the Avant Gardener Landscaping Company and the Glenfield PTA, the Glenfield Peer Leaders were hard at work this week planting new flowers and tending to the green spaces around our school! It is great to see that flowers planted last year have returned in full force! Thank you to Mr. Citro for helping coordinate these planting efforts.



Glenfield: We need your HELP!

Ms. Stebbins Community Classes are asking for donations for the Montclair Township Animal Shelter. Donations accepted until May 10. Designated bins will be in the main hallway of Glenfield. The following items are needed: Sealed dog and cat food/treats (*prefer Science Diet dry cat/dog food*); Canned cat, kitten, and dog food (*prefer Friskies pate cat food, Pedigree wet dog food*); Bleach (for cleaning); Bath towels; Black trash bags; Paper towels; Pillowcases for cat beds; Empty spray bottles for cleaning products; Dish & hand soap; **Non-clumping** cat litter; Laundry detergent; Cat toys; Paper food trays & small paper plates for cat feeding; Newspaper for lining cages; Other basic cleaning products and supplies; ****NOTE: NO sheets or comforters please – our washer/dryer is too small!**

Save the Date: AAPI Montclair Color Run 4/28

AAPI Montclair will be hosting their third annual [Color Run](#), an exuberant celebration of Holi and Songkran. The run will feature a 5k and 1-mile Fun Run at Brookdale Park on April 28, 2024. EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

More Information at: <https://aapimontclair.org/color-run-1>

Register at: <https://runsignup.com/.../NJ/Montclair/AAPIMontclairColorRun>



Trivia Night! Attention 6th Grade Students and Families

Houses Blue and Purple families are hosting a Trivia night for 6th-grade students and families on Thursday, May 2nd at 7pm at Glenfield Middle School. More information to come!



MFEE Sneaker Fundraiser

Did you know that your **gently worn sneakers** could help Montclair Fund for Educational Excellence AND Montclair Neighborhood Development Corporation?

Well, they can and here's how...Our team, Junior National Honor Society students, is participating in a fundraiser where there is nothing to buy or sell; All we need is your support and your gently worn, used, or new sneakers! Here's how you can help:

Start in your and your family's closets and gather as many pairs of sneakers that you no longer want; maybe you've out-grown them, they're out of style, or out of season.

Bring your sneakers (Sneakers ONLY) to the drop off bin in the Main Entrance at Glenfield. Every pair counts!

The sneakers that we collect will help raise money to support MFEE, MNDC and will help our environment by keeping sneakers out of landfills.

Can we count on you?

Side Door

Side Door, a (non-religious) program of Union Congregational Church in Montclair, is a free after school program on Friday afternoons from 2:15-5:00pm. This is our twentieth year serving Montclair middle school students. The mission of the program is to provide a safe space where middle-school students can play on Friday afternoons, make friends, and be mentored by local high-school and college students. At no cost to them, students have access to everything from arts and crafts, video games, sports, to special events curated by staff and volunteers. Toni's Kitchen provides free food, and we also offer a selection of snacks for a nominal fee.

Below are the remaining dates we intend to be open for the spring:

4/19, 4/26, (tentative May dates: 5/3, 5/10, 5/17). Please note that these dates are subject to change as our program follows the Montclair School Closings.

If you have any questions about Side Door, please feel free to contact me at rsimon@unioncong.org, or reach out to Program Coordinator, Patty Dow at pdow@unioncong.org. You can also find more information on our website at <https://www.unioncong.org/children-youth/side-door>

We hope to see some of your students for the spring so that they can join us on Friday afternoons for food, fun and games!

Community Health

Did you know that the District offers FREE Health Services at our community schools – Hillside and Glenfield in partnership with Hackensack Meridian Mountainside Medical Center? The clinics are open on Wednesdays from 4:30 – 6 PM and provide free medical services and lectures on current topics such as emotional wellness, dental hygiene, diabetes, and more. Read more about these services on the district website:

https://www.montclair.k12.nj.us/our_community/health_services/schedule_and_details

Look at the District's Digital Backpack for Community Events:

<https://www.montclair.k12.nj.us/cms/one.aspx?pagelid=1098897>

SATP Corner

Every Montclair Public School has a School Action Team for Partnerships (SATP). The SATP is a local school body that supports each school's mission by reviewing and informing the school improvement planning process. The SATP is made up of families, teachers, community partners, and students.

DATE: Our next SATP Public Meeting #6 will be on Wednesday 5/29 at 7pm. A link will be forthcoming.

Questions? Email us at satpglenfieldms@gmail.com

GLENFIELD PTA CORNER

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Glenfield is Planting on the Back Deck

The Glenfield PTA is helping the Glenfield Peer Leadership team make our grounds beautiful! With your help, our back deck will be stunning for the end of the school year. We're looking for beautiful flowers that will grow in the sunlight. Lillies and Pansies are some great options. Feel free to ring the bell at Glenfield to let them know you are donating your flowers for the back deck. Thanks for supporting your Glenfield students!

Glenfield PTA's Annual Ice Night at Clary Anderson Arena

Did you purchase a ticket for your student? It's happening at Clary Anderson Arena on **Friday, May 3rd from 6:30-8:30pm!** And Glenfield's own MRS. SIMS will be playing all the greatest music as our DJ and MC for the evening. Open to all Glenfield students and staff, who's ready?! [EVENT TICKETS with WAIVERS ARE AVAILABLE NOW IN THIS LINK!](#) In order to make this event another smashing success, we need our amazing parent/caregiver volunteers to give us a hand. Drop off an item for the bake sale so that our students can take a break from the ice for a tasty treat. Let us know what you're bringing on the [GLENFIELD PTA'S ICE NIGHT VOLUNTEER SIGN UP](#). Let us know where you can lend a hand. Thank you!



It's Almost Yearbook Time!

The Glenfield PTA is working with the Glenfield yearbook team to offer Shout Outs and local Business Ads! This is an opportunity to send a special Shout Out in the 2024 Glenfield Yearbook! [CLICK THE LINK HERE](#) to purchase a shout out. A Shout Out is a short, but sweet, message from a parent/caregiver or student to a child, sibling, teacher or friend, about 2-3 lines of text or 10-25 words. Shout Outs are open to the entire Glenfield community - 6th, 7th and 8th grade families, teachers and staff.

There is also the opportunity for 6th and 7th grade families to [PURCHASE A YEARBOOK](#) for \$40. Use code #13335 to purchase the Glenfield Yearbook. **The last day to purchase a yearbook will be April 30th.**

8th grade students will receive a yearbook as part of their graduation package.

Have a local business? Consider a Yearbook Business Ad!

Promoting your local business in the Glenfield yearbook is a great way to show your support of Glenfield Middle School and help raise the visibility of your business in our community. We have a limited number of ad spaces. Ad artwork should be submitted as a high resolution (300 dpi or higher) PDF or image (JPG, PNG). Please submit your request for Ad space and Ad artwork to recsecy@glenfieldpta.org and arrange for payment.

We hope you take advantage of this opportunity to recognize your children, favorite teachers and staff or promote your business. All proceeds raised from the Shout Outs and Business ads will go to the Glenfield PTA general fund to help support future PTA initiatives and operations.

Glenfield Explorers

We will be offering a 5-week, end-of-the-school-year, after-school Explorers Chess class. Registration will open up this coming Sunday and 8:00am and will close on Saturday, April 27th. Classes will begin on Monday, May 6th from 2:20pm – 3:20pm. [CLICK THE LINK HERE](#) to register beginning Sunday.

HELP WANTED!

Explorers Volunteers Wanted

In order to continue and improve this program, please consider volunteering for the Glenfield Explorers Program. We will train you so that you are comfortable in your volunteer role. We are in need of:

* Site Supervisor (1 or 2): Adult on site for emergencies or program inquiries from 2:20pm – 3:20pm on Explorers days.

*Administrative Volunteers (2): Help organize classes for the program

We must secure a volunteer site supervisor in order to offer Explorers in the Fall

For more information or to volunteer, please send an email to recsecy@glenfieldpta.org.

ALL AROUND TOWN!

The Montclair YMCA Y Camps Canteen Event

Join the Y at Pineapple Express on **Friday, May 10th** and experience the magic of camp! Enjoy drinks, a tasty BBQ spread, live music, and plenty of camp festivity in the outdoor beer garden. Childcare and parking will be provided for parents at the Geyer Family Y up the street. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to purchase tickets for the event.

RINCÓN DEL PTA DE GLENFIELD

¿QUÉ HAY DE NUEVO?

Glenfield está plantando flores en la terraza trasera

¡El Glenfield PTA está ayudando al equipo de Peer Leadership (liderazgo entre pares) a embellecer nuestro campus! Con su ayuda, nuestra terraza trasera se verá hermosa para el fin de año. Estamos en búsqueda de donaciones de flores que podrán crecer bajo el sol. Las lilas y las flores de pensamiento son excelentes opciones. Por favor, acérquese al colegio y toque el timbre para entregar sus donativos y avise que está donando sus flores para la terraza trasera. ¡Gracias por apoyar a los alumnos!

La noche de patinaje sobre hielo anual ("Annual Ice Night") del Glenfield PTA en Clary Anderson

¿Ya compró su entrada para su alumno? ¡Se realizará el **viernes 3 de mayo a partir de las 6:30pm hasta las 8:30pm!** Nuestra MRS. SIMS apoyará al evento como DJ y MC, ofreciendo la mejor música para la noche. El evento está abierto para todos los alumnos y equipo de Glenfield. ¿Están listos/as? [¡ENTRADAS Y PERMISOS ESTÁN DISPONIBLES AHORA AQUÍ!](#) Para que este evento sea todo un éxito, necesitamos que nuestros apoderados nos ayuden como voluntariados/as. Estamos en búsqueda de donaciones para la venta de pasteles (bake sale) para que los alumnos puedan tomarse un descanso y disfrutar de una rica colación. Avísenos qué piensa llevar anotándose en el [FORMULARIO DE VOLUNTARIADO](#). Por favor, también avísenos si podría ofrecer su ayuda como voluntariado. ¡Gracias!

¡Ya casi llega el el anuario escolar!

¡El PTA de Glenfield está trabajando con el equipo del anuario escolar para ofrecer "Shout Outs" y anuncios para negocios locales! ¡Esta es una oportunidad para dejar un mensaje especial (un "Shout Out") para alguien especial en el anuario escolar de Glenfield 2024! [HAGA CLICK AQUÍ](#) para comprar un "Shout Out". Un "Shout Out" es un mensaje corto pero cariñoso de un apoderado o alumno/a a otro/a niño/a, hermano/a, profesor/a o amigo/a, entre 2 a 3 líneas de texto o 10-25 palabras. "Shout Outs" están disponibles para la comunidad de Glenfield – familias de 6º, 7º y 8º básico, profesores, docentes y empleados de apoyo de Glenfield.

También existe la oportunidad para que los alumnos de 6º y 7º básico y sus familias puedan [COMPRAR UN ANUARIO ESCOLAR](#) por el costo de \$40. Use el código #13335 para comprar su anuario escolar. **El último día para realizar su compra será el 30 de abril.**

Los alumnos de 8o básico recibirán su anuario escolar como parte de su paquete de graduación.

¿Tiene un negocio local? ¡Considere un anuncio en el anuario escolar!

Promover su negocio local en el anuario escolar de Glenfield es una excelente manera de demostrar su apoyo al colegio y ayudar a expandir su negocio dentro de la comunidad. Tenemos un número limitado para anuncios. Al momento de someter su solicitud, debe incluir la imagen con alta resolución (300 dpi o más alto) en formato PDF o imagen (JPG, PNG). Por favor, solicite un espacio y la imagen que quisiera incluir en el anuncio a recsecy@glenfieldpta.org y podrá conectarse para realizar el pago correspondiente.

Esperamos que aproveche esta oportunidad para reconocer a sus niños/as, docentes favoritos y promover su negocio. Todos los fondos recaudados de los "Shout Outs" y anuncios irán hacia el fondo general del PTA para poder apoyar iniciativas a futuro.

Glenfield Explorers

Estaremos ofreciendo un curso de ajedrez de 5 semanas a fin de año como parte de las actividades extracurriculares de Explorers. Se podrán registrar a partir de este domingo a las 8:00am. El periodo de inscripción cerrará el sábado 27 de abril. Las clases comenzarán el lunes 6 de mayo a partir de las 2:20pm hasta las 3:20pm. [HAGA CLICK AQUÍ](#) para inscribirse a partir de este domingo.

¡NECESITAMOS SU AYUDA!

Se necesitan voluntariados para el programa de Explorers

Para poder continuar con este programa a futuro, por favor considere entregar su tiempo como voluntario/a para el programa de Glenfield Explorers. Le ofreceremos entrenamiento para que se sienta cómodo/a en su rol como voluntario/a. Necesitamos:

* Supervisor/a de sitio (1 a 2): Un adulto que pueda ejercer de modo presencial en caso de emergencias o de haber alguna duda en cuanto al programa, entre 2:20 pm y 3:20 pm los días que se realizan las clases de Explorers.

* Voluntarios administrativos (2): Ayude a organizar clases para el programa

Debemos poder conseguir voluntarios para poder ofrecer el programa en el otoño

Para más información, comuníquese con recsecy@glenfieldpta.org.

¡NOTICIAS DEL PUEBLO!

Evento "Y Camps Canteen" del Montclair YMCA

¡Está invitado a compartir con el YMCA en Pineapple Express el **viernes 10 de mayo** para conocer la magia del campamento de verano! Disfrute de bebidas, asado, música en vivo y actividades para celebrar el campamento de verano al aire libre. Se ofrecerá cuidados para niños/as y estacionamiento para cuidadores y apoderados en el Geyer Family Y a una cuadra del Pineapple Express. [HAGA CLICK AQUÍ](#) para más información y para obtener entradas para el evento.