

## **Gloversville Parent Newsletter**

*Tips, ideas, and advice for Gloversville parents!*

### **Important Dates:**

January 11th- Board of Education Meeting

### **January is International Creativity Month!**

For one month each year the world celebrates **International Creativity Month** - a month to remind individuals and organizations around the globe to capitalize on the power of creativity. January, the first month of the year, provides an opportunity to take a fresh approach to problem-solving and renewing confidence in our creative capabilities.

Never underestimate the power and importance of creativity in your life, or in business for that matter. While sometimes doing what's familiar works best, it's important to remember that thinking outside of the box is just as important (if not more important) than simply following established procedure. After all, new problems require new solutions, and in fields like various forms of media and design, creativity is paramount to success.

If 2020 taught us anything, it has forced everyone to be more creative and think outside of the box to continue every day business. Teachers are continuing to educate students remotely, and/or in person, while also educating themselves on the ever-changing landscape of education. This is a great opportunity for you as parents to be creative with your children at home and get them away from the video games for a while. Introduce fun arts and crafts with them or help them with their homework and take a virtual tour of the pyramids in Egypt. Is it easier for you as a parent to hand your child a video game controller? Yes. I challenge you as a parent to remove the words "it's easier" from your parenting verbiage and start working with your children to be more creative. Sometimes when the world becomes complex we tend to forget about the simple things in life that we take for granted, like quality family time. Huey Lewis and the News once said, "we're not here for a long time but we're here for a good time," so cherish those quality moments with your children. Stay safe and healthy everyone!

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