



# Glenburn School to Home Connection



947-8769

December 21st, 2018

www.glenburnschool.us

## Teacher Spotlight

### Sarah Cousins



Sarah started out on flute when she was in 5th grade and has had a love of music ever since. In high school she also played the Alto and Tenor Saxophones in Jazz Band. When attending UMaine, her favorite performing ensembles to be part of were the Screamin' Black Bear Pep Band and the University of Maine Symphonic Band. Sarah Cousins earned her Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from the University of Maine in 2003. Glenburn is the first and only job she has had since graduating college 16 years ago!

Sarah enjoys spending time with her family husband Bob, daughter, Virginia and son, Patrick in Brewer. Over the years, Sarah has developed a love for running. She's run many 5k and 10k races but her most recent accomplishment was the Maine Half Marathon she completed in September, it was her first and probably not her last. Other hobbies Sarah enjoys are volunteering as one of her daughter's Co-Leaders of Brewer Girl Scout Troop 1985 (fun fact: Sarah earned her Girl Scout Gold award in 1999. Her Gold Award Project was giving flute lessons to the local elementary students in Bucksport, a great stepping stone that began her love of teaching). Sarah also enjoys gardening, spending time with family and watching the Patriots and Red Sox.

At Glenburn Sarah teaches gr. 2-4 General Music, 5th Gr. Band, 6-8 Band, 5-8 Chorus and new this year during 6-8 RTI - Modern Band. She is also the Maine Music Educators District V Secretary and manager for this year's Elementary Honors Festival Chorus happening in April. She has previously been the District V Chairperson for this organization. Sarah has also been a Teacher Leader through the Maine Arts Leadership Initiative (MALI). She loves learning more about music and is excited to connect with students through Modern Band and learn new instruments too. Her favorite bands (which is hard to narrow down) are Hootie and the Blowfish, Aerosmith and Rascal Flatts. She always hopes that students carry a song in their heart.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**December 24<sup>th</sup>-January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
 Winter Break – School resumes on Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019.

Enjoy your Holiday Break!



## School Board



The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, **January 22<sup>nd</sup>**, at 7:00pm, at the Glenburn Municipal Building. Please do not forget to check out the School Board meeting minutes and policy information at [www.glenburnschool.us](http://www.glenburnschool.us). Click on the Leadership tab at the top right.

# MUSIC News



Thank You

A BIG THANK YOU to all parents/families that donated gift cards and baked goods to the Music Craft Fair table. We appreciate your support and we raised over \$200!!

## *Congratulations*

to all Band and Chorus students on another successful concert this year! Chorus, also great job on your performance at the Craft Fair and Library Sing-a-long. Great performances at the craft fair also by Austin Brasslett, Hannah Walters, Grace Dufour, Elyse Nadeau and Maria Buhs! Mrs. Cousins is proud of everyone's hard work and dedication!!!



**DonorsChoose.org**

Support a classroom. Build a future.

Sarah Cousins wrote a Donors Choose project this past summer and the project has been fully funded! The Glenburn Music Department will be receiving 10 keyboard stands so the kids will no longer need to set their keyboards on music stands, which will allow the instruments to be more secure. This department will also receive another bass guitar and more acoustic guitars. Congratulations!



# Giving Tree

Wow! What an amazing response this year for the Glenburn Giving Tree!

We had over 150 tags on the tree and most all of them were returned.

Many people would bring multiple items back for the one tag that they removed. It was overwhelming to see the school and community response again this year. I want to thank everyone that participated. I also want to thank the support of the NJHS and Student Council for their generous gifts. For the tags that were not returned I was able to use donated funds to do a shopping trip. We have 32 children who will have a magical Christmas this year thanks to all of you!

We received support from:

Glenburn Lakeside Riders - Generous monetary donation.

The Meeting Place Church - Generous monetary donation.

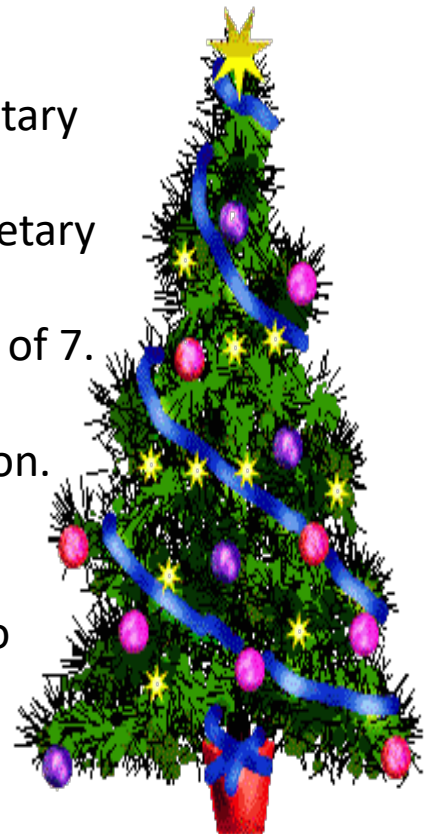
The Glenburn Fire Dept. - Adopted a family of 7.

St. Mary's Church - Adopted 2 families.

Staff member - Generous monetary donation.  
(you know who you are)

Thank you all so much for helping this go so smoothly again this year.

*Mrs. Cottrell*





**Project Reverse Advent Calendar was a HUGE success!! Thank you again to the wonderful Glenburn School Community for stepping up and helping out a wonderful cause. 1712 items were donated in all, and all of the food will be donated to the Helping Hands Food Program which supports our Glenburn Student Families. Below is just a sample of our collections! Student prizes were announced on the 21<sup>st</sup> and we had some very happy winners. THANKS EVERYONE GLENBURN KITCHEN STAFF**



**WINNER OF SLEDS WITH HAT AND 3 PAIRS OF GLOVES  
CHRIS MCGRAW 3RD GRADE  
JACE HOLLAWAY K**

**WINNERS OF \$10.00 CARDS**

**ANNABELLE WILEY BANGOR MALL MOVIES  
MEGAN WATSON MOVIE CARD  
CONNOR TOCCI MOVIE CARD  
MADYSEN MICHAUD SWEET FROG  
CAMDEN LABREE SWEET FROG  
BROOKLYN SAUCIER SWEET FROG**



# News from Multiage

On December 4th, the 4/5 Multiage had a visit from an extraordinary young man. Jack Watkins came to speak with the class about his experience as a businessman and philanthropist. Jack, who graduated from Brewer High last June, is the new owner (purchased last May) of Spencer's Ice Cream in Bradley and a student at Eastern Maine Community College. The students enjoyed finding out how Jack became a business owner, what it is like to own an ice cream business, and about how Jack contributes to many Maine communities. They found out that he regularly raises money for a variety of causes through the use of Petunia, his ice cream truck. One of Petunia's causes is to purchase books for local libraries and classrooms. After visiting our classroom Jack donated some books to the school library. Petunia also raised money for the Glenburn PTF during this October's Trunk or Treat.

