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Gladstone begins kindergarten registration

Children who will start kindergarten next fall [age 5 by September 1], are invited to join their parents at the Gladstone March into Kindergarten orientation event. The event includes classroom tours, a school bus ride, a raffle, and the opportunity to pick up school registration packets.

The event is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families, 18905 Portland Avenue. For more information, call Heidi Smith at 503.496.3939.

“Kindergarten is a unique time of growth and learning,” said Director Jere Applebee. “Children in our full-day program benefit from technology-rich classrooms, strong academics, creative play, and weekly instruction from specialists in art, music, physical education, and science.”

The Gladstone District is open to transfer students living outside the district. Up to 50 kindergarten students will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. To apply for a transfer, contact Natalie Weninger 503-496-3935 or email weningern@gladstone.k12.or.us.

Photo: Gladstone kindergarten students learn about reptiles during a weekly science lesson.

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Recreation program offers classes for all ages

Gladstone’s community schools program offers classes and recreation programs for children, teens, and adults throughout the region.

Adult courses range from cooking, organic gardening, and water exercise to bird watching, watercolor painting, Spanish, and country line dance. Spring youth classes range from softball, baseball, and ballet to tap dance and tumbling.

To register, call 503.650.2570 or visit www.bit.ly/2MMivsb