

G.V.E.S. NEWSLETTER # 28

Message from the Principal

It is a very busy time at GVES. We're all doing the best we can to enjoy the ride and learn a little along the way. Thanks to all the parents that came out to visit for the first installment of "A Second Cup." I've already scheduled a 2nd date for our next visit. I hope you'll make plans to attend. As always, thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to call, write or visit with any questions, comments or concerns.

Calendar of Events

- 3/28 – Spring Pictures
- 3/30 – End of 5th Six Weeks
- 3/30-31 – 4th/5th Grade Jamestown Trip
- 3/31 – Teacher Workday – Kids Stay Home!
- 4/4 – Middle Sch. Orientation – Rising 6th Graders
- 5/5 – "A Second Cup" at 8:30 a.m.
- 4/6 – Report Cards Issued
- 4/7 – Pre-Kindergarten Registration for 2017/2018
- 4/12 – 5th Grade Science Museum Program
- 4/13 – Early Release
- 4/14-4/17 – Spring Break
- 4/29 – GVES Spring Shopaganza
- 4/24-5/12 – Likely SOL Testing in grades 3-5
- 5/12 – 5th Graders to Wellness Center
- 5/15 – 1st-4th Awards Assemblies – Time is TBA
- 5/16 – PK/K Graduation at 6:00 – GVES Gym
- 5/17 – Grades 3-5 – Celebration Station
- 5/18 – Yearbook Distribution & Signing Party
- 5/18 – 5th Grade Graduation at 6:00 – GVES Gym
- 5/22 – Spring Fling
- 5/23 – Talent Show
- 5/23 – Last Day of School – 1:00 Dismissal

"Light at the End of the Tunnel" Trip

As we roll into the end of the 2016-17 school year, we like to do our best to give our kids something to look forward to at the end of the year. In addition to all of the fun things we have planned at school, we are also planning a reward trip for all of our students in grades 3-5. **We are SUPER EXCITED to announce students in grades 3-5 will be traveling to CELEBRATION STATION on Wednesday, May 17th!** The school will be covering the majority of the cost, but we may ask each student to contribute somewhere around \$7.00 to attend the trip. I bring this up now because I want your child to have plenty of notice on the \$\$ aspect of the trip. Our trip will include unlimited access to the go-karts, the bumper-boats, the putt-putt course and a pizza buffet! Google "Celebration Station in Greensboro" for more information.

AR Store

We've rescheduled this a few times but I think we are finally set to have our long-anticipated A.R. store on Friday, April 7th, 2017.

Joke of the Day

Question: "What animal has more lives than a cat?"
Answer: "Frogs, they croak every night!"

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

The PTO is planning our annual krispy kreme spring fundraiser. We have scheduled for the sale to start on Monday, 3/27, and conclude on Friday, April 7th with pick-up on Wednesday, April 12th. We appreciate any support you can offer for this fantastic fundraiser!

"A Second Cup"

You are invited to our 2nd installment of "a second cup." On Wednesday, April 5th, 2017 I'll be hosting a parent communication event. All GVES family and friends who are interested are invited to come to the school at 8:30 a.m. for coffee with the principal. For the most part, we'll talk about whatever you want to talk about. The school will provide coffee and some light refreshments. You'll provide the conversation starter. We hope to make this a bi-weekly occurrence that will generate thoughtful and helpful conversation.

Upcoming Assessments

In addition to the upcoming SOL assessments, our students will be taking a variety of assessments as we close out the year that will help us understand what we need to do to help our children in the next year. Thanks for noting these dates on your calendar:

- 3/27 – iReady Reading – Grades 2-5
- 3/29 – iReady Math – Grades 2-5
- 4/3 – Math Student Growth – Grades 2-5
- 4/5 – Read Student Growth – Grades 2-5
- Week of 5/15 – Writing Assessments

Yearbook Order

Yearbooks are on sale now. They will be distributed on May 18th. Students who have purchased yearbooks will participate in a school-wide yearbook signing party on that day. Please make your \$15.00 check payable to "Lifetouch."

5th Grade Museum

You are invited to the GVES 5th Grade Science Museum on April 12, 2017. Thank you for noting this change in date! Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and the museum will remain open until 7:00 p.m. The fifth grade students will guide you through the amazing world of science. The exhibits on display will range from the microscopic parts of matter to the vastness of our solar system. We look forward to seeing you at the Science Museum.

For Your Convenience

We now have \$1.00 ear buds on sale in the main office. If your child is in need, send a buck!

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