

G.V.E.S. NEWSLETTER # 29

Message from the Principal

Jamestown or bust! We are so excited to be rolling with our 4th and 5th graders on our first over-night field trip! We leave bright and early Thursday morning and return late Friday night! I sincerely appreciate all of the support for this trip that has been provided by all of our fantastic community members to ensure that every child that wants to go on the trip had an opportunity! 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

- 3/30 – 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

Our Celebration Station trip for grades 3-5 has been officially approved. We can't wait for this exciting, end of the year reward trip. It looks like each student will only need to pay about \$5.00 to attend the trip. This is a great deal as the \$5.00 includes transportation, pizza buffet & drink, unlimited access to the go-karts, putt-putt, and bumper boats! As a friendly reminder, attending the field trip is NOT dependent on passing any test at the end of the year. It is dependent on students working hard, behaving appropriately, and attending regularly.

AR Store

We are finally set to have our long-anticipated A.R. store on Friday, April 7th, 2017.

Joke of the Day

Question: “Why do gorillas have big nostrils?”
Answer: “Because they have big fingers!”

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!

Summer School – 2017

We are pleased to announce that we will be hosting summer school at GVES this summer! The program will run from June 5th to June 26th from 8:00 to 1:30. Some students will be required to attend, some will be encouraged to attend and we hope to be able to invite everyone to attend! We have a TON of fun events planned and can't wait for this unique learning experience to unfold at GVES!

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

We're working on it....stay tuned!

iReady Reading and Math Assessments

As you probably know, we just finished our first round of “end of the year” assessments. Students in grades 3-5 took their iReady reading and iReady math diagnostic. This assessment is designed to measure how much students have learned throughout the year in these two subjects. I am very pleased to share that are students did excellent on these assessments. We have several children who have gained two or more grade levels in math and reading performance in just one year. Thank you for all the support you've shown at home throughout the year! The hard work of the parents, the teachers and the student has really paid off!

“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.

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.

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