

# G.V.E.S. NEWSLETTER # 3

## Message from the Principal

We have thoroughly enjoyed the first few weeks of school here at GVES. We have a TON of exciting things going on. Thank you for reading this newsletter closely as we have provided many important updates. 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

- **8/28/17** – LCPK Orders & Money Due
- **9/1 & 9/4** – Labor Day – Schools Closed
- **9/6** – School Pictures
- **9/11** – LCPK Delivery Day
- **9/12** – Progress Reports Issued
- **9/15** – GVES Paint Night at 6:30 p.m.
- **10/11/17** – End of First Quarter
- **10/12** – No School – Teacher Workday
- **10/13-10/16** – Fall Break – No School
- **10/23** – Report Cards Issued

## BIG, BIG, BIG News!

We have received preliminary indication that **Gladeville Elementary School has received a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Center grant for the 2017-2018 school year.** This is a federally funded program that will allow us to host an after school program Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 3:00 to 5:30! In addition to providing money to pay highly-qualified licensed teachers to administer the program, the grant will also cover the cost of all necessary materials and bus transportation home to your child's house! **I can't emphasize enough how big of an impact this program will have on our school, our children, and our community.** Over the course of the next few weeks, we'll provide you with additional information regarding the program. However, we do want you to have some preliminary details so you can start considering if your child is right for the program. Here's what you need to know now:

- The program will begin sometime in mid to late September and will operate Monday-Thursday any time the school is open.
- The program is completely free and includes all activities, an after school snack, and bus transportation home.
- Our goal is to serve approximately 65 students.
- Enrollment will be targeted at students who are in need of additional intervention efforts in either math, reading, science or social adjustment.
- Students who sign up will need to commit to attending at least three of the four days per week.
- In order to be considered for enrollment, you must complete the attached 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC after school program application.
- **The completed application is due by Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.** Meeting this deadline will allow us to ensure we have adequate time to arrange transportation and academic plans.

## Labor Day Holiday

Don't forget, schools are closed next Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Paint Night

Our fifth grade teachers are planning a "paint night" for September 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at GVES. This will be a fundraiser for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade overnight trip to AstroCamp planned for the spring. A flier is attached. Complete this to reserve your spot at paint night!

## Morning Drop-Off

As a friendly reminder, we are asking parents to drop children at the front door as opposed to walking to the classroom door in the morning time. **Starting Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, we will no longer permit parents to escort students to the classrooms.** We feel this change in routine will significantly enhance the safety of our morning process and will encourage confidence and independence among all of our students. Thank you for taking a few minutes to prepare your child for this minor adjustment.

## Please Note

If your child is absent or tardy, it is imperative that we receive a written note from the parent/guardian documenting the reason for the absence. State law mandates we maintain these records. Thank you in advance for your cooperation as we work to meet these requirements.

## Ongoing Reminders

- The morning bell rings at 8:15. Please make plans to **have your child in his/her class** ready to learn by 8:20.
- **LCPK sale is ongoing now. See calendar of events for more information**
- Student handbooks are available on the school webpage.
- Ice Cream sale for \$1.00 every Friday.
- School pictures are coming up soon!

## Lunch Visits

As a friendly reminder, you are welcome to come visit and eat lunch with your child anytime. Call the office for a schedule.

## Joke of the Day

Q: What do you get when you cross a centipede with a parrot?

A: A walkie-talkie!

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