

Weekly Newsletter - March 15, 2019



Groveport Elementary School

The Groveport Madison Local School District will build a community of learners, leaders and responsible citizens.

Every Student, Every Lesson, Every Day



Principal's Message

Stay Positive and Continue to Work Hard

The end of 3rd nine weeks is quickly approaching. March 29th will be the end of the nine weeks and we will have our reward day for 3rd nine weeks on April 18th. We also have state testing coming up in April for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students. It is very important for your child to do their best on these assessments. I'm going to include an Assessment Section each week to keep parents updated on which assessments students will be taking and when. Here are a couple things you can do to help them.

- Keep a positive attitude about tests.
- Mark down test days on your calendar so you and your child are both aware of testing days.
- Make sure your child gets enough sleep on the night before the test.
- Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast. It is difficult to concentrate when you are hungry.
- Make sure your child gets up early enough so that he/she will be on time to school and won't feel rushed.

Thank you so much for your support at home.

Attendance Fact

Absenteeism and its ill effects start early. One in 10 kindergarten and first grade students are chronically absent.

Focus on Learning

2nd grade students in Mrs. Monhollen's class are working so hard in math! They are using square cubes to construct arrays and then make drawings. Students also wrote repeated addition equations and multiplication number sentences.



Kindergarten students, Maverick and Gabriella, worked with Mrs. Geisler this week on retelling a story. They first listened to the story, *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*. After that, they walked along a path of the key details from the story to guide them with their retelling. They were then asked to retell the story to Mrs. Geisler. This is a difficult skill to master for many students and they did a fantastic job! Keep up with the excellent work!!









Zach Konot

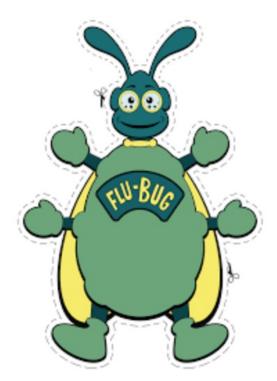
The fifth graders have been working so hard on their ugly doll sewing projects. Students started with designing their dolls and deciding what type of facial features they would add. Next, they used scrap felt pieces to make these features. Then we began sewing. Students also learned how to sew buttons and add stuffing to finish their dolls. They are all turning out awesome! Zach Konot was selected by Mrs. Sperk for his creativity and hard work. Zach is a 5th grade student in Mrs. Cordell's class. He has been attending Groveport Elementary since preschool. Zach loves sports especially football and baseball. He also likes to color and play with his dog. His favorite color is red.

Congratulations Zach for being our Artist of the Week!

Flu Prevention:

The flu virus has been spreading rapidly around schools, child care centers, offices and homes. Sometimes no matter how well we try to avoid being around someone who's sick, we always cross paths one way or another. While avoiding it may be impossible, we can help stop the spread of this very contagious virus.

Cleaning to prevent the flu is a must! The flu virus can "live" on some surfaces for up to 24 hours. Flu viruses are killed by heat above 167° F. Common household cleaning products can also kill the virus. Products containing chlorine, hydrogen peroxide, detergents (soap), iodophors (iodine-based antiseptics)



and alcohols will kill the viruses. In addition to frequent cleaning, make sure to practice proper hand hygiene.

Hallway STAR Award

Our students have to hang their coats and book bags in the hallway because of limited space in the classrooms. We noticed this to be untidy and unsafe as students were stepping over items that would drop to the floor, so we've started a clean hallway challenge. Mrs. Bray will walk the halls throughout the week to recognize the class that has the neatest hallway area and announce the winning class on Fridays. Mr. Miller our school custodian will present the award to the class each week.

Congratulation to the winner this week = Mr. Eft

Assessment Information

Oh my - only 16 more school days until State Testing begins! Our students will be ready :)))

April 9th = ELA Part 1 (grades 3 and 5)

April 10th = ELA Part 1 (grade 4)

April 11th = ELA Part 2 (grades 3 and 5)

April 12th = ELA Part 2 (grade 4)

Upcoming Important Dates

March

18th = PTO Meeting (5:00) 22nd = BLT Meeting (8:00) 26th = Spring Picture Day 29th = Staff Meeting (8:00)

Pennies for Patients - March 11th - 22nd

Thank You to Our Pledge of Allegiance Helpers

Brennan Suttle - Mrs. Cordell Austin Combs - Mrs. KC Andrew Craft - Mrs. Stoever Faith Murphy-Pickett - Mrs. McGonigal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Madison Wagner, Adriann Southern, Olivia Hart, Royce Dawkins, Johnny Thach, Konnor Harris, Aubry Gibbs, Caeden Cramer, Dylan Flesher, Keymia Bagley, and Omari Jenkins



Cruiser STAR Students

Gold STAR Awards are given to students by staff members for students who show characteristics of being a Cruiser STAR - Stay Safe Take Responsibility Act Respectfully Reach Goals. Students come to the office and put their gold STAR in our Treasure Box. Every Friday, Mrs. Bray picks 15 -20 STARs from the Treasure Box and calls those students to the office for a prize. Congratulations - Ty Cooper, Soffia Niemann, Landon Grossman, Eminah Muse, Mason Green, Saleena Whitson, Annaliese Walker, Jordan Chilton, Riley Cothern, Conner Armstrong, Jonathan Hairston, Aubrey Slade, and Amber Stoever!



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