Weekly Newsletter - May 3, 2019





Principal's Message

Interims Go Home Today

Students in grades 1 - 5 received their 4th nine weeks Interim Report today. Please make sure to check their progress so far this nine weeks and encourage your child to continue to do their best work. You may keep the Interim, but please sign the white envelope and return it to school Monday.

Assessment Information

Students in 4th grade are now finished with State Testing :))) 3rd/5th = Math Test Monday and Wednesday next week

Residents of Groveport Madison Local Schools will vote on a combined operating levy and bond issue on Tuesday, May 7, 2019.

Issue 5 is a combined operating levy and bond issue that will be on the May 7, 2019 ballot. The operating levy portion of the measure replaces the 2014 levy that expires at the end of 2019; it is not a tax increase. The bond issue portion of the measure will replace our aging, deteriorating, and severely overcrowded elementary and middle schools by constructing three K-6 buildings and one 7-8 building. The total cost of the combined issue is less than fifty cents a day (based on a \$100,000 home value), and the State of Ohio will contribute 53% (\$65 million) in matching funds to build the new schools.

New schools will address severe overcrowding in all of the District's elementary and middle schools, providing a safe, healthy, and positive learning environment for 4,300 K-8 students - every day. More than 20 detached modular classrooms would be eliminated, putting all students in new schools constructed with modern safety and security systems. New schools also save money by being more efficient and significantly reduce maintenance and repair costs.

Without passage of Issue 5, the District will lose millions of dollars in operating funds and will be unable to continue operations as they are today. The District will continue to patch and make repairs to buildings as funds are available, and the state will give the \$65 million in matching funds to another school district that was able to pass their bond issue.

Artist of the Week



Bena Maharath

The first graders learned how to roll coils with clay. They practiced rolling even coils and then formed a heart with them. After the clay was fired, we colored them with bright crayons and then they were dipped in black India ink. Bena Maharath was selected by Mrs. Sperk for her fabulous coil heart. She is such a great student who always works hard and produces beautiful masterpieces. Bena is a 1st grade student in Mrs. KC's class. She has been attending Groveport Elementary since kindergarten. Bena has an older sister, Anna (18) and three younger brothers, Nani (5), Anthony (4) and Jackson (1). Bena enjoys listening to music, playing instruments and drawing. Her favorite colors are red and black.

Congratulations Bena for being our Artist of the Week!

Congratulations to over 200 students who earned Games Galore for the 3rd Nine Weeks!

4th Nine Weeks Reward will be Kona Ice and Extra Recess (K-2) and Pool Party at the Rec. Center (grades 3 -5)









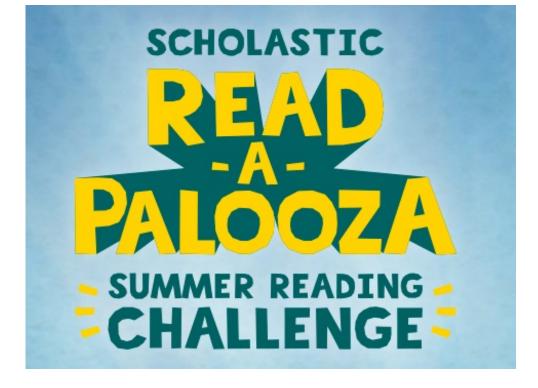






https://www.scholastic.com/summer/home/

What Is the Scholastic Read-a-Palooza Summer Reading Challenge? The Scholastic Read-a-Palooza Summer Reading Challenge is a free, online reading program designed to help students turn the "summer slide"-the learning loss which can occur over the summer months-into a "summer leap" by discovering the joy of reading for fun.



Thank you to our PTO for having Parent Prom again this year. Our families had an amazing time!



























Hallway STAR Award

Our students have to hang their coats and bookbags 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 = Mrs. Scott

Your child's safety is important in and out of school.

That's why we are sharing this resource from Committee for Children, the organization that makes our Second Step social-emotional learning program that your child is a part of.

Research shows that talking to your kids about sexual abuse, touching, and private body parts can help keep them safe. This is a scary subject, but talking about it shouldn't be. HotChocolateTalk.org is a free, research-based resource that provides the facts, tips, and talking points that can help you start this critical safety conversation.

Upcoming Important Dates

May 3rd = BLT Meeting 3rd = Arbor Day Celebration (3rd grade) 10th = Carnival

May 6th - 10th = Teacher Appreciation Week and BOGO Free Book Fair

Thank You to Our Pledge of Allegiance Helpers

Zach Konot - Mrs. Cordell Nora Biery - Mrs. Myers Amelia Toepfer - Mrs. Stoever Mason Stine - Mr. Eft Rae-Lynn Holman - Mr. Eft Kingston Lawson - Mrs. Myers Vinnie Rajamountry - Mrs. Stoever Talan Thomas - Ms. Townsend Kendall Bickett - Mrs. McGonigal

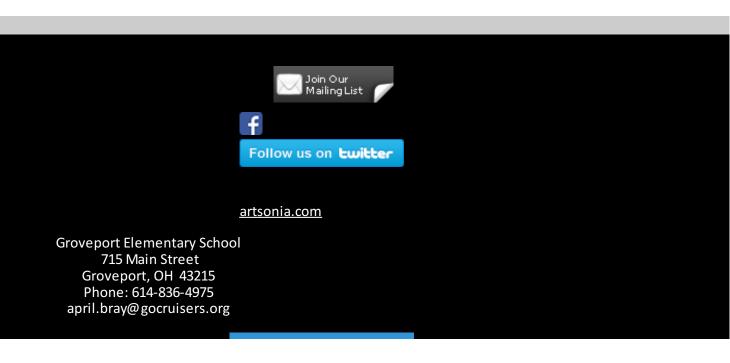
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Cameron Golden, Karl Laws, Josiah Blackburn, Hayden Rutter, Samuel Barnhart, Chloe Holloway, Erin Coleman, Ty'lia Byrd, and Kiara Brooks



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 - Jeremy Finigan, Leos Jacobs, Andrew Blackford, Amara Cotterman, Jonathan Marriott, Taylor Campbell, Jaycob Biggers, Talia Washburn, Nora Biery, Ava Quinonez, Alexis Leonard, Khalia Powers, Maci West, Mustapha Iliasu, and Ty Cooper!



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