# Greetings from Groveport Elementary

January 20, 2023 Newsletter

#### **Principal's Message**

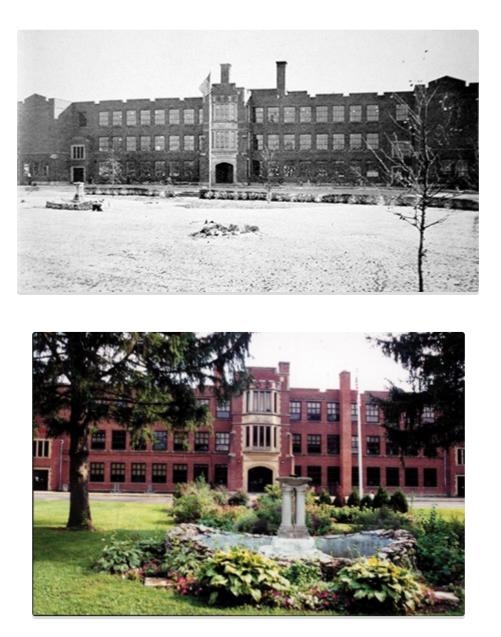
Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is always a fun tradition to celebrate the 100th day of school and learning. This year it is extra special because Groveport Elementary is turning 100 years old. We will be celebrating the 100th day of school and the 100th Anniversary of the building January 27th. Groveport Elementary was called Groveport School back when it opened in 1923 because it housed all 12 grades until the mid-1950s. Our school has so much rich history and architecture and we are excited to celebrate with our current students. Teachers will have fun activities around the number 100, we will discuss what was popular in 1923 and events that happened 100 years ago. We would love to have the students dress up like they are 100 years old or wear something with 100 things on it. Also, everyone will receive a silicone bracelet with 100th Anniversary Celebration on the outside and GE 1923-2023 on the inside.

If you are reading this newsletter and you know someone who is 100 years old or who attended Groveport School and would be willing to be interviewed or come talk to some kids, please let me know as soon as possible.

Have a wonderful weekend! April :)

April Bray Principal 614.836.4975 (school #)/ 614.309.3250 (cell #)



#### **STAR Student of the Month**

We are starting Student of the Month back up starting this month. All students Kindergarten through 5th grade are eligible to receive the Student of the Month Award. A student cannot receive the award more than once within a year. In order to be considered for an award, students must not be failing any classes or have any discipline referrals for that month and exhibit all the qualities of the identified monthly character trait. Here are the character traits teachers will be looking for each month.

January = Self-Discipline and Goal Setting February = Kindness and Empathy March = Trustworthiness April = Responsibility May = Perseverance

One student will be selected each month by the classroom teacher and 1 from each special area teacher. Each month the staff will send an email to Mrs. Bray and Mrs. Long with their SOM and description of why that student was chosen (this will be read to the students when they have lunch with Mrs. Bray and Mrs. Long).

The selected students' picture will be posted on Facebook and included in the newsletter. Students will receive a t-shirt and get to have lunch with Mrs. Bray, Mrs. Long, and the other students of the month.



#### **Cupid Shuffle Dance**

Students are invited to bring their favorite grown-up for an evening of dancing and fun on Friday, February 10th 5:00 - 7:00. **All students must be accompanied by an adult chaperone**. Small desserts and beverages included with the \$5 per person admission. There will also be glow items available for purchase. All proceeds benefit Groveport Elementary PTO.

We encourage everyone to pre-ordered tickets (no actual tickets will be given out) to get a free corsage or boutonniere. Additional corsages and boutonnieres will be available for purchase at the even while supplies last. Again, there won't be physical tickets we will have a pre-order list of names at the door.

#### Thank you Marine Smith for talking to our 5th Graders!

Lance Corporal Bradon Smith is a marine stationed at Quantico in Virginia. His brother, Fulton, is a 5th grade at our school and Fulton asked if his brother could come talk to his class about being a marine. Of course - that is a great idea! He was able to come share his experience of becoming a marine and the work he has done since entering the marine corp. He answered the kids' questions and talked about the hard work and effort that led him to where he is today. It was pretty wonderful - THANK YOU!









#### **Thank You Pledge of Allegiance Helpers**

Monday = No School Tuesday = Braiden Bennett Wednesday = Jaxon Bradley Thursday = Anthony Maharath Friday = Avery Rich



#### **Lunch Choices**

Monday = Pizza Pasta Bake Tuesday = Buffalo Chicken Dip Wednesday = Cheeseburger Thursday = Cheese Pizza Bagels Friday = General Tso's Chicken \*Packers need to bring a drink or pay \$.50 for a milk. Milk is no longer free.

### **Mark Your Calendars**

JANUARY 27th = 100th Day of School and 100th Anniversary Celebration 31st = PTO Meeting (5:00)

#### FEBRUARY

3rd = Interim Reports Available for 1st - 5th grade
10th = Cupid Shuffle Dance 5:00 - 7:00 (more information coming soon)
14th = Valentine's Day Parties (2:45)
20th = No School
21st = No School



#### **Happy Birthday!**

Charlie Craig-Ellis, Owyn Hartley, Journey Calhoun, Ashton Thompson, Jakahi Mitchell, Uri Hanna, Carson Waugh, and Eian Feathersone!

#### **Cruiser STAR Students**

Cruiser 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. Congratulation - **Amir Jama, Serenity Long, Kelsey Partlow, Kian Smith, Myla Trapasso, Oliver Young, Kenzie Lee,** 



Saadiyo Noor, Lili Craft, Robert Sisco, Aubree Anderson, Dillon Davis, Daryl Payne, Milah Wilson, Matthew Crenshaw, Ressie Baxter, Darryl Barnes, Jared Birchfield, and Joshua Dunaway!



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