



Grizzly Growler

September 11, 2009

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OUR MISSION

The mission of Grafenwoehr Elementary School is to maintain a meaningful partnership with the community through which physical well being, academic growth, and emotional support are provided to all learners.

OUR GOALS

1. All students will improve their written expression across the curriculum.
2. All students will improve their vocabulary across the curriculum.

From our Principal Mrs. Bailey

Dear Parents,

Open House was awesome last night. It was great to see so many parents and students. We appreciate your support and look forward to a fabulous year!

Handbooks will be sent home next week. They are currently at the printer. When you do receive it, please take the time to read the handbook and go over it with your child. Please sign the back page and send it back to your child's teacher. Please refer to this handbook throughout the year. We have tried to cover as much as possible in this handbook. One thing we want to bring to your attention is that we cannot disturb classes after 2:15. Please coordinate in the morning what your child is to do at the end of the day. If there is a change it needs to be in writing (a note or an email **to the teacher** and to the office. We **cannot** take changes over the phone. Please put the date on the note so we know which day the change is to take place. If you do pick up your child he/she should meet you at the front entrance. Please do not go to the buses to take a child from the line or off the bus. If an emergency arises and you must pick your child up without prior coordinating, please see the administrator on bus duty or let the teacher know you are taking your child. Please be prepared to show ID so we know to whom we are giving a child. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

Many of you have asked about putting money on your child's AAFES lunch account. I recommend that you send in a check, made out to AAFES, or cash in an envelope with your child's name on it. Your child can give it to the lunch lady and she will add the money to the account right then. You can add money at the PX, but it can take up to 2 days to show up on our register. You may also come in from 7:30-10:30 and from 12:30-1:30 to add money in person. Please watch the Grizzly Growler for any other updates to the lunch account. We appreciate the support our lunchroom gave us at open house. It is nice to be able to have a taste of what your child is served at lunch.

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Dates to Remember

15 September
Tentative Picture Day

17 September
Constitution Day

8 October
Volksmarch

9 October - No School
Continuous School Improvement (CSI)

12 October - No School
Columbus Day

13 October - Early Release
Release at 11:15 am



Special points of interest:

- PCSing? You must give 5 school days notice for records to be processed.

Continued...From our Principal Mrs. Bailey

Pick up and drop off at GES is done in the chapel parking lot. Please do not use the area behind the school by the Tower. This area is for residents only. There are signs that clearly mark this. We need to be respectful of this designated area for those residents. We also have a crosswalk painted by the parking lot across the street from the front of the school. Though it is not in the best place, we ask that you use this and insist that your children use the crosswalk. There will be an adult there in the morning and the afternoon to assist you and your children with crossing the street. Many folks drive way too fast by the school. We want to ensure your child's safety. We also ask that you do not walk through buses. We want to teach our students the best ways to be safe and we need your help.

We are still planning on pictures being taken on Tuesday. We now have approval from command for this event. We will send the final information on Monday. Please see the attached flyer

Have a great weekend!

From our Nurse, Mrs. Herb

Dear Parent/Sponsor:

It is the start of the school year and also the start of 'field trip opportunities' we would like your child to participate in. We will need the parent/sponsor's permission for your child to be a part of a class field trip from Grafenwoehr Elementary School to a local destination off post.

In order for a student to attend a field trip, the school needs a current Medical Power of Attorney for the school year 2009-10 AND the latest phone numbers listed (duty, cell, and home) should an emergency arise.

Also, please don't forget to list the emergency contact information as your contact and contact numbers may have changed due to a PCS move since registering your child.

School policy is that no child will be allowed to go on a field trip unless the school nurse has the 2009-10 Medical Power of Attorney and the student's teacher has a signed permission form from the parent/sponsor to attend a field trip.

Grafenwoehr Elementary School Nurse
475.7645 or 09641.83.7645



Asbestos Inspection

Under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), U.S. school facilities including DoDDS must be inspected for asbestos every three years. Baker Environmental Inc., was selected to do this. The purpose of this survey is to evaluate the condition of previously identified asbestos materials and sample any newly installed material(s) suspected of containing asbestos. The AHERA Inspection of our facility occurred during the week of September 29, 2006. The inspection was conducted by a two-person team, who are EPA-certified Building Inspectors. The results were no friable asbestos found only non-friable materials with no abatement required.



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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY
POLICY MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: DoDEA Electronic Gradebook System Policy For Grades 4-12

It is the policy of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) that every DoDEA teacher will make available information to parents and students at the beginning of each course or grade level to include grading policy and course requirements. This information will be provided to parents and students by the end of the first month of the school year or in the case of a semester course, by the end of the first month of the semester.

If any child demonstrates unsatisfactory progress or achievement, teachers must notify parents with enough time to correct the deficiency. Notification must occur as soon as unsatisfactory achievement is evident, and not later than the midpoint of the nine week grading period.

Timely and accurate reporting of student progress shall be accomplished using the approved DoDEA Electronic Gradebook (EGB) System. All assignments (e.g., quizzes, tests, examinations, homework, speeches, etc.) that are used to assess and report student progress shall be promptly evaluated and/or graded, posted in the EGB, and returned to the student. The normal period of evaluation and posting should be no longer than ten (10) calendar days from the date the assignment is collected, with reasonable exceptions for large projects (e.g., term papers, research projects, portfolios, etc.). This includes all assignments at all grade levels and in all subjects that are part of the educator's assessment of the student. At a minimum, all teachers are required to record one assignment or grade per week in the EGB System. Limited exceptions may be granted by the school principal.

It is the responsibility of DoDEA to ensure that every teacher is trained in the use of the current DoDEA EGB. Use of the DoDEA EGB System is mandatory for all DoDEA educators in grades 4 through 12.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shirley A. Miles".

Dr. Shirley A. Miles
Director



Lunch and Recess Schedule

This is the most updated version.

When you get your handbook, please insert this one.

Teacher	Time	Recycle	Table	Recess	Rainy Day Recess
2A	11:00-11:20	11:17	5	11:20-11:40	11:20-11:30
2B			6		
KA	11:10-11:30	11:27	1	11:30-11:50	11:30-11:40
KB			2		
3A	11:25-11:45	11:42	3	11:45-12:05	11:45-11:55
3B			4		
3C			5		
1A	11:40-12:00	11:57	6	12:00-12:20	12:00-12:10
1B			1		
MA			2		
4A	11:55-12:15	12:12	3	12:15-12:35	12:15-12:25
4B			4		
5A	12:10-12:30	12:27	5	12:30-12:50	12:30-12:40
5B			6		

Counselor Corner

The first weeks of school have unfolded very smoothly. Kids are getting comfortable to the school routines as well as adapting to their teacher's expectations in a good manner. Our goals for these coming weeks are to reinforce and educate students about the school behavior expectations on the bus, playground, lunchroom, and hallways.

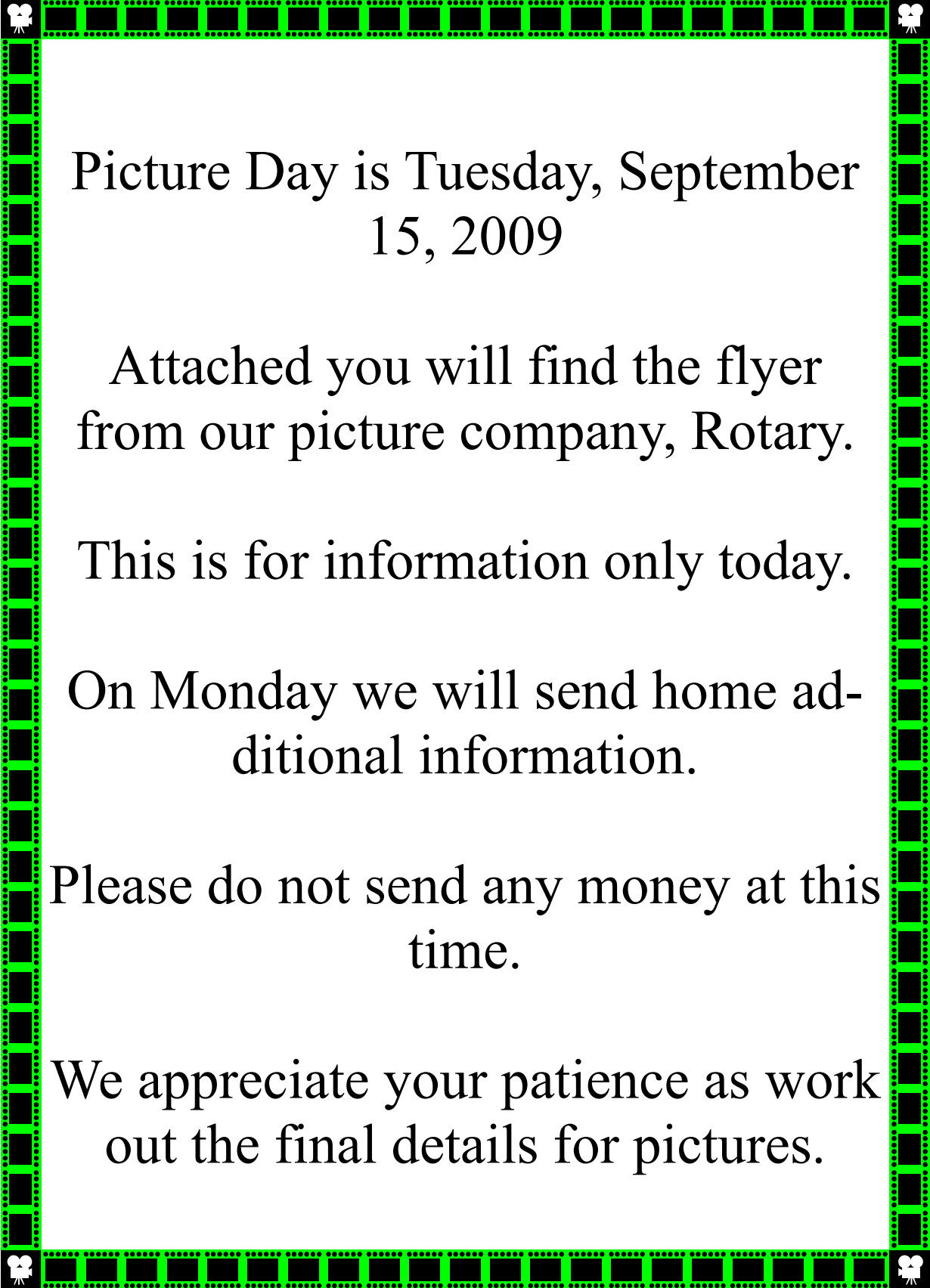
The elementary years are a time when students begin to develop their academic self-concept and their feelings of competence and confidence as learners. Students are beginning to develop decision-making communication and life skills, as well as character values. Lessons about respecting others, identifying feelings, solving problems, and more are going to be offered to students.

Early identification of children's academic and personal/social needs are essential in removing barriers to learning and in promoting academic achievement. It is our responsibility to make sure students are emotionally balanced and we are working hard at helping students to feel good about school and feel happy.

Thought of the week:

"Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful." – Albert Schweitzer-

465-6598
09641-83-6598



Picture Day is Tuesday, September
15, 2009

Attached you will find the flyer
from our picture company, Rotary.

This is for information only today.

On Monday we will send home ad-
ditional information.

Please do not send any money at this
time.

We appreciate your patience as work
out the final details for pictures.

M Majestic Pack \$46⁰⁰

2-10"x8"
4-7"x5"
2-6"x3 1/2"
12-3 1/2"x2 1/4" Wallets
8-2 1/2"x1 1/4" Sub Wallets



A Academic Pack \$41⁰⁰

2-10"x8"
2-7"x5"
2-6"x3 1/2"
12-3 1/2"x2 1/4" Wallets
16-2 1/2"x1 1/4" Sub Wallets



B Bumper Pack \$35⁰⁰

1-10"x8"
1-7"x5"
2-6"x3 1/2"
12-3 1/2"x2 1/4" Wallets
8-2 1/2"x1 1/4" Sub Wallets



C Compact Pack \$29⁰⁰

1-7"x5"
2-6"x3 1/2"
12-3 1/2"x2 1/4" Wallets
8-2 1/2"x1 1/4" Sub Wallets



D Discovery Pack \$20⁰⁰

2-6"x3 1/2"
4-3 1/2"x2 1/4" Wallets
8-2 1/2"x1 1/4" Sub Wallets



E Economy Pack \$16⁰⁰

1-5"x3 1/2"
4-3 1/2"x2 1/4" Wallets
4-2 1/2"x1 1/4" Sub Wallets



P Premier Pack \$58⁰⁰

1-14"x10"
2-10"x8"
1-10"x8" Black & White
1-10"x8" Coloured Border & Monogrammed
4-7"x5"
4-6"x3 1/2"
12-3 1/2"x2 1/4" Wallets
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Student Last Name

Student First Name

School Name

Class Grade Teachers Name

All checks or money orders must be made payable to:
YOUR SCHOOL or PTSA (or check with school if not sure)

A portion of the sum you pay will be donated to your school or PTSA funds

Enclosed Amount Check No.

Please ring package required:

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