

Grizzly Growler



September 18, 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,

Each year at Grafenwoehr Elementary School we offer after school clubs. This year we will offer the following clubs (see schedule below). Information will be sent home closer to the start of the club. It will come out in the Grizzly Growler so please watch it each week for information.

Teacher	Club	Grade Level(s)	Day(s)	Month(s)
	Kindergarten Story time	K	Tuesdays	Beginning Mid October
	Reading Lab	1 st grade	Tuesdays	October-April
	Seasonal Art	2 nd and 3 rd grade	Tuesday/Thursday	Feb-Mar
	Math Club	3 rd grade	Tuesday/Thursday	Sep-Nov
	Chorus	3,4,5	Thursday	Oct-Dec
	Chorus	K,1,2	Thursday	Jan-Apr
	Kickball	4 th and 5 th grade	Tuesday/Thursday	4 th Quarter
	Student Council	3 rd , 4 th and 5 th	Mondays (2 times a month)	Beginning late September or early October

We try to give each student one club before anyone gets a second club. With some clubs there will be a limited number of participants. We look forward to a great year with after school clubs.

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Dates to Remember

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

Handbooks went home on Wednesday. Please review these with your child/children. We need you to sign the back page and return it to your child's teacher. We would appreciate it if we could have these back by Friday, 25 Sep 09.

Pictures were taken on Tuesday. If your child was not here or you did not send back the envelope (some of you did not get them) we will have retakes in about 4 weeks. At that time you will be able to purchase a package. We cannot purchase any packages for the round we just did if the envelope was not returned on Tuesday and given to the photographer. When they finished on Tuesday they immediately sent the pictures for print. We apologize for the lateness of the envelopes going home and not clarifying that Tuesday was the only day we could accept payment. If you send in the envelope now we will hold it until make ups. We will have much more notice with make ups and spring pictures.

If you are not satisfied with the pictures you get back in the next few weeks, you may request a retake or Rotary will refund your money. We hope you are satisfied with your pictures but will work with you in case they do not meet your satisfaction.

Have a great weekend!

Counselor's Corner

Dear Parent:

Last week we were focused on letting the children know what our job as counselors is and how they can reach us for help at any time. Some of the points we were discussing were:

- A Counselor is someone who helps students throughout their education.
- A counselor provides help in areas of academic achievement, personal, and social development.
- A counselor helps students develop goals academically and evaluate strengths, weaknesses, likes and dislikes.

Already we have experienced some issues. Therefore, our goal is to educate students about behavior expectations. Over the course of the next few weeks, your child is going to be hearing a series of lessons about expectations for the bus, playground, classroom, lunchroom, and hallways.

We want to thank parents who have been working with us to maximize their children's school performance, as well as, to invite others to call and team up with us as necessary. We believe that parents are our most important partner and we will continue to ask you to team up with us. Collaboration is important to help your children be successful.

Sincerely,

Counselor

Counselor Intern

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From our Nurse

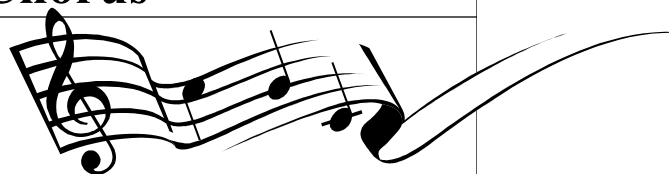
As the new school year starts, parents and teachers are getting children organized for the year. During the school week, students need to get plenty of sleep. Eight to ten hours a night is great. Sleep is very important for the little ones as their bodies are growing and moving all day long. Also, Sunday or Monday night after a weekend or holiday, children frequently come to the nurse with a complaint of little sleep the night before. Please make sure your child (ren) go to bed at a reasonable hour the night before a new week of school begins.

Students also need to start out the day with a well-balanced breakfast in order for their bodies to have enough fuel to make it through the day. Give your child (ren) a great start with lots of sleep and good food for much needed energy each day so they can think and perform student activities the best they can. Let us all have a great fun-filled 2009-2010 school year at Grafenwoehr Elementary!

Grafenwoehr E.S. Chorus

Dear Parents:

GES will be providing opportunities for children to participate in chorus this year. The information is as follows:



Grades 3-5: Chorus will be offered from October to December. We will meet one time per week: Thursdays from 1445 hrs. – 1530 hrs. The grades 3-5 chorus will perform once in October and once in December.

Grades Kgn-2: Chorus will be offered from January to April 2010. We will meet one time per week: Thursdays from 1445 hrs. – 1530 hrs. Performance times have yet to be determined for this age group.

I will send the chorus sign up sheets home with all third, fourth and fifth graders through their music classes. The sign up sheet for grades Kgn-2 will be sent out sometime after the first of the year.

Thank you for your wonderful support of our music classes. Please consider letting your child participate in our after-school music special this year.

Sincerely,

Music Specialist

STUDENT COUNCIL 3rd-5th Grades

The Student Council plays a very important role here at GES. The Student Council helps share students' ideas, interests, and concerns with the teachers and principal. They help the students raise funds, through the PTSA, for school wide projects. They assist the community when it is in need of aid. Being on Student Council is something that can enable students to become responsible and active members of the community.

Student Council campaigning will take place September 29 - October 2. Elections for the Leadership Team and Class Representatives will take place the week of October 5th following speeches by those running for Leadership positions.

For more information contact our office.

CUB SCOUTS

Cub Scout Pack 261 is looking for First through Fifth grade boys interested in their community, science, art, camping, making new friends, and etc. Registration for the new pack year 2009-2010 is happening now! Please contact pack261grafenwoehr@yahoo.com for more information.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks

Pack 261 Registrar

