



Grant Wood Little Dogs NEWSLETTER



Grant Wood Elementary School - 1423 Hillside Drive, Bettendorf, IA

John Cain, Principal

May 2017

Important Dates to Remember:

May 5 th	Munchkins with Mom 7:30-8:30 AM	May 10 th	Early Release (Preschool @ noon; K-5 @ 1:10 PM)
May 18 th	PTA Meeting – 6:30 PM	May 24 th	Early Release (Preschool @ noon; K-5 @ 1:10 PM)
May 26 th	Field Day/Walk-a-thon – 9-11 AM	May 29 th	Memorial Day – No School
June 1 st	Preschool Graduation/Last Day	June 2 nd	Last Day of School 11:30 AM Release Time

PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports)

Daily drawing winners of RCRS yellow doggie paws, which are given to reinforce positive behavior.

Weston Freking Tyler Nielsen Tanner Speth
Aaron Bebber Ashlin Krieger Elizabeth Burgos

April Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following students for earning the honor of student of the month for April. These students did an outstanding job showing RCRS to their classmates and staff at Grant Wood on a daily basis. Those students are:

EC1 – Terryn Howard	EC2 – Nikole Johnson	K1 – Joshua Hedrick
K2 – Emme Oakes	K3 – Amari Goerd-Kincade	1A – Violet Enzler
1B– Olivia Savina	1C – Wyatt Rogalla	2A – Nick Malloy
2B – Nick Malloy	3A – Brooklyn Meyer	3B – Avery LeHew
4A – Alyssa O’Neal	4B – Olivia Rogalla	5A – Morgan Strief
		5B – Evy Arp

Look for their BIOS and pictures displayed in our PBiS case in the hallway.

Principal's Connection

Welcome 2017 – 2018 PTA Board

President: Meg Barr

Co-Vice President: Katherine Boehm

Treasurer: Sherry Szyzewski

Secretary: Audra Adams

Unpaid Balances

Please be responsible to pay any unpaid balances from this school year prior to the end of the school year. We will continue to send individual reminders; however, feel free to log on to Pay Schools to review your account. Lunch balances, library balances as well as registration balances will follow students from one year to the next. We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

May Dates to Remember

We look forward to a safe month of May full of activities for the students to enjoy. Mark your calendar for the following dates and join us if possible:

May 5th ... 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Munchies with Mom

May 10th ... 1:10 Early Release

May 18th ... 6:30 End of Year PTA Meeting @GW

May 24th ... 1:10 Early Release

May 26th ... 8:45 – 9:30 GW Walk-a-thon

9:30 - 11:30 GW Field Day Activities

11:45 5th grade Picnic

June 2nd ... 11:30 Early Release

Library Card Initiative

We are hoping to motivate all GW families to take the initiative to sign your son or daughter up for a Scott County library card. You can do this at the Bettendorf or Davenport Public Libraries. Our hope is that all of our children will read throughout the summer, helping to eliminate a “summer learning slide”. We are planning a special trip for all students with a library card by May 12th. Additionally, we will be teaching the children how to access and use the on-line resources of our public libraries.

Hot Dog Reward

Our students have been working so hard with their reading that they have earned a hotdog party... a GRILLED HOTDOG!! If we keep reading like we have been, we have the opportunity to earn yet another hotdog party. Please do your part at home by ensuring your children are hooked on a good book.

Field Day

Please keep May 26th open on your calendar and join us in the morning for the GW Walk-a-thon and our Field Day. For this event, we will need many volunteers. You can look forward to a sign up genius being sent soon for you to sign up. The following activities are being planned for field day: Jump Houses, Water Slide, Bounce Horse Races, Kona Ice, Java Tex Throw, Musical Dots, Frisbee, Roll a Ball Relay, Parachute Games, Silly String Station, Tug of War and more...

Notice of Nondiscrimination

It is the policy of the Bettendorf Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy please contact Lana LaSalle, Affirmative Action Coordinator, Thomas Jefferson Elementary School, 610 Holmes Street, Bettendorf, IA 52722, 563-359-8261 or llasalle@bettendorf.k12.ia.us.



Library News

Library & Technology Update

It is hard to believe, but we are nearing the end of the school year. In order to make book return easier the library will be limiting student check out to two books and will be sending out reminders about books still out to each student. The last check out date will be May 24th and all books will be due May 26th. We will be adding a fun incentive this year. The class with the fewest books out after the 26th will win free books for their classroom for the last week of school!

We will also be holding a field trip for Grant Wood students who have public library cards. The date has not yet been announced, but a child's library card will be their ticket for the trip. Stop by a local library to sign up for a card!

Finally, we will be holding our 2nd Annual Summer Learning Kick off and our final Family Maker Day together on Thursday, June 1st from 6:00pm-7:30pm here at GW. Come to learn about great community opportunities for your child to continue their learning this summer and come to build, design, and create together as a family. Hope to see you there with your family. Please RSVP at:

<https://tinyurl.com/GWSummerLearning>

Library Resource of the Month:

The Bettendorf Public Library and the Davenport Public Library!

These community partners not only offer free access to books, but also a variety of engaging and educational programming and a number of digital resources as well! Check out the links below!

[Bettendorf Library Events](#)
[Bettendorf Library Resources](#)
[Davenport Library Events](#)
[Davenport Library Resources](#)

Technology Tool of the Month:

<http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2017>

Track your summer reading and earn free web content, games, and prizes. Students will be registered by early May so they can begin tracking their minutes of reading and earn prizes.

More information is available at the Summer Learning Kick-Off Event.

Important Dates:

May 1st-5th: National Children's Book Week

June 1st: Kick Off to Summer Learning and Family Maker Night @ GW from 6:00pm-7:30pm.

Contact Information:

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Grant Wood Library Website

<http://gw.bettendorf.k12.ia.us/our-school/httpssitesgooglecombettendorfk12iausgrant-wood-elementary-libraryhome>

Thank you to all Book Fair volunteers and customers! Your support of our library was amazing and incredibly appreciated! Visit our website to see just how much our library gains from the Book Fair!

Bettendorf Community School District will link learning to life with passion, purpose and pride so that all students can make a positive difference.

As the end of the year draws near, we are making a great effort to help students find and return overdue books. We hope they will be able to move to the next grade with a clear library account and need your help in order for this to happen. Over the next couple of weeks, we will be sending home notes listing books needing to be returned before the end of the school year. Please make every effort to locate these books at home and send them to school with your child. If you are unable to find the book, we will gladly accept a new or gently used copy of the book that can be purchased at a local bookstore or online. Please call us at (563) 359-8277, ext. 4022 with any questions or concerns you may have about this.

Thank you!