



# Grant Wood Little Dogs NEWSLETTER



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

John Cain, Principal

January 2017

## Important Dates to Remember:

Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Early Release (Preschool @ 12; K-5 1:10 PM)	Jan. 16 <sup>th</sup>	No School – MLK Jr. Day
Jan. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Early Release (Preschool @ 12; K-5 1:10 PM)	Jan. 26 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Meeting 6:30 PM

## PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports)

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

Daevion Hawes



## December Students of the Month



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

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| EC1 –Salima Ganshert | EC2 – Rawly Martins | K1 – Cheyenne Hood      |
| K2 – Sadie Harnung   | K3 – Kamden Palmer  | 1A – Emily Cooney       |
| 1B – Adelina Olson   | 1C – Carter Huskey  | 2A – Luc Gibeau         |
| 2B – Haley Engels    | 3A – Brady Bakeris  | 3B– Maggie Menster      |
| 4A – Adeline Savina  | 4B – Ava Scorpil    | 5A – Olivia Nichols     |
|                      |                     | 5B – Kaidan VanderWeele |

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

# Library News

## Library & Technology Update

Many of our 4th and 5th graders at Grant Wood are participating in our district's Battle of the Books. To participate teams of three students read the 25 titles on the Iowa Children's Choice Award list. They will then compete in a building wide battle about the books they've read by answering trivia questions about the books. The winners of the building battle will then move onto the district battle at the Bettendorf Public Library. Keep reading to prepare!

January is the Youth Media Awards month. Children's books will be recognized with the Newbery Medal, the Caldecott Medal, Printz Award, and the Coretta Scott King Award. The award winning titles are wonderful books to hook kids on reading. In honor of the month I encourage you to visit the library with your child and seek out past award winners.

Our reading incentive "Snow Much Reading" will continue through the month of January. Students who read throughout the month of January can earn a reward in the library at the end of the month.

## Library Resource of the Month:

The library has purchased some popular character phonics readers for our youngest students. We now have Lego City, Disney Princess, Star Wars, Shopkins, and Micky Mouse Club phonics readers in the library.

These books are great for beginning readers!

### See them here:

<http://tinyurl.com/gwlibphonicsreaders>

## Technology Tool of the Month:

<https://writereader.com/>

This website is great for students who like to write. It allows students to create their own ebooks.

First and second grade classes have used this website to retell favorite stories during library class.



## Important Dates:

Monday, January 18th: Martin Luther King Day  
 Friday, January 27th: Reading Incentive Reward Day  
 Thursday, March 2nd: Read Across America Day  
 March 5th-10th: National Youth Tech Week

## Contact Information:

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 563-359-8277 (ex. 4023)

## Grant Wood Library Website

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



## January 2017, Notes from the Nurse



Parents Magazine has provided ten New Year's Eve Resolutions from children for 2017. They include

1. Learn New Things
2. Improve education
3. Stop eating junk food
4. Start exercising
5. Help my mom quit smoking
6. Adopt a Green Lifestyle
7. Master Milestones
8. Donate hair to "Locks of love"
9. Continue good behavior
10. Always Have FUN.

Are we prepared as family and community to support those resolutions?

How many of us will set New Year's goals and then ask ourselves how long those goals will last? Goals tend to last longer and be more successful when done in partnership. What a great time to turn your student's goals into WHOLE FAMILY New Year's Goals. Let's help our kids get physically and mentally active and improve overall health in 2017.



With flu season upon us, it is important that we work together to keep our children healthy. You can help prevent the spread of flu or help your child get better if he/she does get sick by following a few simple steps:

- If possible, you and your child should get a flu shot
- Remind your child to cover his/her nose and mouth with a tissue when sneezing or coughing and dispose of the tissue immediately
- Have your child wash his/her hands frequently with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds
- Disinfect frequently-touched surfaces and shared items at least once a day
- Ensure that bathrooms are stocked with soap, hand towels and tissues
- Teach your child not to touch his/her mouth, nose and eyes
- If your child is sick and has a fever, keep him/her at home to prevent the spread of illness to others

If you are concerned about your child's flu symptoms, call your doctor early. Call your doctor immediately if your child has a chronic disease.

Common symptoms of flu include high fever, severe headache, muscle and body aches, exhaustion, and dry cough. Additionally, children often exhibit other flu symptoms that are rare in adults, such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Some children might benefit from an antiviral medication, which can be prescribed by a physician and can help lessen duration of the virus and reduce the risk of complications, such as pneumonia. To be effective, antiviral medication should be taken within 12-48 hours after flu symptoms begin.

Additionally, as a preventive measure, antiviral medication may be administered to children under a doctor's care to help them avoid catching the flu from others in some special situations. For example:

- Children who have egg allergies and therefore cannot receive flu vaccine
- Children who have been vaccinated, but are at such high risk for serious complications due to a chronic condition, that extra protection is warranted
- Children who may not have received a vaccine but are exposed to flu

If you have any questions or would like additional information about preventing and treating the flu, please contact the school nurse.

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# PTA News

GRANT WOOD PTA

The next PTA meeting is January 26th at 6:30 pm in the library. Hope to see you there!

