

Green Isle Community School

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Weekly Newsletter - Friday, April 30th, 2010



GICS CARNIVAL!

Thank you, Thank you,
Thank you to everyone that
helped with the carnival
and attended! We made
over \$3,000! Way to go, GICS! We couldn't have done it without
your help!



SIBLEY EAST SCHOOL TOURS

The Sibley East District is conducting a facility study and will be giving tours of the Arlington and Gaylord school buildings on Sunday, May 2. Tours will be held in Gaylord from 6:00-7:00 and in Arlington from 7:30-8:30. This will be a great way to hear about facility options and ask questions.

NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOLS WEEK

Next week is National Charter Schools week. Look in your child's folder for special events on the Spirit Week flyer. Also, please call us if you are planning on attending our **Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon** so we can be certain to have enough lunches ordered.

Minnesota Charter School Statistics

Number of Operating Charter Schools: 152 (2009-2010)
Number of Enrolled Students: 33,000 (2009-2010)

Minnesota Charter School History

In 1991, Minnesota became the first state to pass a charter school law. In 1992 the first charters were issued to Bluffview Montessori School in Winona, MN and City Academy in St. Paul, MN. City Academy has the distinction of being the first charter school to open its doors in the United States. Both of these schools are still in operation today. In 2009, Minnesota passed a "second generation" charter school law that addressed a comprehensive series of measures to strengthen the accountability of authorizers, schools, and boards of directors as well as to enhance the innovation within charter schools. (from the MN Association of Charter Schools website - mncharterschools.org)

PRESCHOOL ROUND-UP

Preschool Round-up will be held on **Thursday, May 6th from 6:30-7:30pm**. Let's fill up our school with more great kids! Do you know of a family that may be interested in GICS? Tell them to come for a tour! You are our best form of advertising!

GICS ANNUAL MEETING - MONDAY, MAY 24th - 7pm

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, May 24th at 7:00pm. We need at least 20% of our members - families and staff to attend in order to have a quorum. (That's at least 34 members - parents & staff.) We will call the meeting to order, elect 3 new members to the board, we will celebrate our journey and conclude with a light reception. We have 3 positions open for the GICS Board election. Currently, we have two candidates electing to run for the GICS board. We need at least three individuals on our ballot. Won't you consider being a part of the governance of our school? If you are interested in running for election, please call the office. You would need to prepare a short paragraph to read at the meeting on why you would like to be a part of the GICS Board. It's a great opportunity to get involved at GICS! **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**



Have you seen the beautiful blooming trees on Highway 25/5 as you drive through Green Isle? Spring has Sprung!



We're still waiting! :)

GICS CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
MAY 2010	
Monday, May 3 – Friday, May 7	National Charter Schools Week
Wednesday, May 5	GICS "Fly-up" Day! 10-11am
Wednesday, May 5	Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon 11:30-1:00pm
Thursday, May 6	Preschool Round-up – 6:30-7:30pm
Friday, May 7	Hanging Flower Basket Delivery – 3pm
Monday, May 10 – Friday, May 14	NWEA MAP Testing – K-6
Monday, May 17 – Friday, May 21	NWEA MAP Testing – Make-up
Friday, May 20	EdVisions Schools Project Fair – Location MNCS
Monday, May 24	GICS Board Meeting - 5:30pm (Note: Day change)
Monday, May 24	GICS Annual Meeting – 7:00pm – Please try to attend!
Monday, May 31	NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day
JUNE 2010	
Tuesday, June 1	EWCS Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday, June 1	Elders' Wisdom, Children's Song Celebration – 7pm
Wednesday, June 2	GICS Graduation/Closing Bell-ringing
Wednesday, June 2	GICS Family Picnic
Wednesday, June 2	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!
Wednesday, June 2	End of Trimester 3
Thursday, June 17	GICS Board Meeting – 5:30pm
JULY 2010	
Tuesday, July 6 – Thursday, July 8	GICS Summer Camp
Friday, July 9	GICS Community Gathering
Thursday, July 15	GICS Board Meeting – 5:30pm

* GREEN ISLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL STAFF *	
Administrative Assistant	Jo Liebhard
Director	Kirsten Kinzler
Kindergarten	Terry Kroehler
Grades 1-3 - Meath	Julie Grams
Grades 1-3 - Meath	Kristy Konopacki
Grades 4-6 - County Cork	James Alcorn
Grades 4-6 - County Cork	Jennifer Faber
Reading/Math/Phy-ed Teacher	Kristen Strauss
Special Education	Kristine Schwartz
Library/School Volunteer	Mary Kay Donnay
Library	Holly Harjes
Extended Day	Ida Dissette
Preschool	Ann Czarnecki
Paraprofessional	Ashley Reetz
Business Manager	Keith Johnson

Extended Day Hours
Grades K-6
6:30am – 8:15am.
3:00pm – 6:00pm
Come Join Us!

OPENINGS
Preschool
(3, 4 & 5 yr olds)
Grades K-6
Check it out!
Schedule a visit!
REGISTER NOW!

PLEASE SAVE:
 Campbell's Labels
 Boxtops for Education
 Kemps Milk Lids
 Our Family UPC's
 Ink Cartridges
 Drop off at the school office!