

Green Isle Community School

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End-of-Year Newsletter - Monday, June 9, 2008

THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL YEAR!

Summer is here! I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to all of you for contributing to another successful year at GICS.

A FEW HIGHLIGHTS: Our enrollment grew to over 80 children, we began our Community Volunteer Network (CVN), we had 2 successful fundraisers, great performing arts programs with our Winter Program and Community Celebration (and Hamline University for the EdVisions Project Fair), we opened a preschool to 4 and 5 year olds, our students are performing well academically and our staff remains committed to doing what's best for kids.

SUMMER EVENTS: Over the summer we would like to encourage you to participate in a **parade** (or two) to get the word out about GICS. The schedule is listed under the Calendar of Events on the back of this newsletter. If you are interested in attending, please come about 15 minutes prior to the parade and look for our schoolhouse float in the parade route. **GICS Marketplace** will be held **every Thursday from 4-7pm** on the lot across from the Country Corner. Stop by to browse, visit or buy some summer goodies. This summer we will hold our **2nd Annual Community Gathering on July 11th**. We can use your help at this event. If you are interested, please contact the school to sign up. We will have our 3-day **Summer Fun Camp July 8-10**. Our theme this summer is "Animals". We will have art activities, music, cooking, games and a lot of fun! Look for flyer in this packet for more information. We will also have a booth at the **Sibley County Fair in Arlington - July 30th - August 3rd**. We need families to sign up to give out information at the booth. Please call the office if you can help for a couple hours.

SCHOOL OFFICE SUMMER HOURS: The GICS office will be staffed by Mary Kay Donnay on **Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9am-1pm**. Kirsten and Jo will be available via phone throughout the summer. Please leave a message with Mary Kay and we will return your calls.

GOOD-BYE... It is bittersweet that we say good-bye to Anna Paul, our 4-6 grade teacher, and Kacy Panning, our Preschool teacher/GICS Para. Both of these ladies will be getting married this summer and are relocating with their future husbands. We will miss them on our staff and all they did to help the students at GICS. We wish them both well on their new journey.

I hope you have a great summer and that we'll see you at one of our summer events. Don't forget to stop and smell the flowers or lie on the grass and find shapes in the clouds. The days go by very quickly...

Joy!

Kirsten Kinzler, Director



GoodSearch

Don't FORGET TO GOODSEARCH! It really works! We've already raised \$45.74! Search the web with www.goodsearch.com (instead of google or yahoo, etc.) and earn money for Green Isle Community School! Tell everyone you know to use GoodSearch for GICS (powered by Yahoo!).

ELDERS' WISDOM, CHILDREN'S SONG COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

What an awesome intergenerational celebration honoring Bill Harjes, Arby (Jean) Sundstrom, and Irene Hahn. The program was professionally taped and DVD's will be available later this summer. Yay, you!



GICS SUMMER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 2008	
Thursday, June 19 th	GICS Board Meeting - 5:30pm – GICS Cafeteria
Thursday, June 19 th	Community Volunteer Network (CVN) Meeting – 7pm – GICS Cafeteria
Sunday, June 29 th	Henderson Parade - 12pm – Henderson
Sunday, June 29 th	Happy Birthday, Jo Liebhard! (40!)
JULY 2008	
Tuesday, July 8 th – Thursday, July 10 th	Summer FUN Camp – 9am-12:30pm - GICS Cafeteria
Friday, July 11 th	2 nd Annual GICS Community Gathering – 4-8pm – GICS School yard
Thursday, July 17 th	GICS Board Meeting - 5:30pm – GICS Cafeteria
Saturday, July 19 th	Belle Plaine Parade – 1pm – Belle Plaine
Saturday, July 26 th	Green Isle Parade – 1:30pm – Green Isle
Wednesday, July 30 th – Sunday, August 3 rd	Sibley County Fair – Arlington Fairgrounds
AUGUST 2008	
Wednesday, July 30 th – Sunday, August 3 rd	Sibley County Fair – Arlington Fairgrounds
Saturday, August 9 th	Gaylord Parade – 12pm – Gaylord
Thursday, August 21 st	GICS Board Meeting - 5:30pm – GICS Cafeteria
Thursday, August 28 th	GICS Back-to-school OPEN HOUSE

* 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	Anna Paul
Reading & Math Teacher/Para	James Alcorn
Special Education	Kristine Schwartz
Special Ed Para	Kristen Strauss
Library/Volunteer Extraordinaire	Mary Kay Donnay/Holly Harjes
Extended Day	Ida Dissette
Preschool/Paraprofessional	Kacy Panning
Business Manager	Keith Johnson

PLEASE SAVE:

Campbell's Labels
Boxtops for Education
Kemps Milk Lids
Our Family UPC's
Inkjet Cartridges
Pop Tab Tops
Aluminum Cans
Drop off at the
school office!

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

Mission: Green Isle Community School will foster a positive and respectful multiage environment that promotes educational excellence, service learning, community connections, and responsible citizenship.