

Green Isle Community School

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Weekly Newsletter - Thursday, October 2, 2008

FORT SNELLING FIELD TRIP - Friday, October 3rd

Tomorrow the students will be going on a field trip to Fort Snelling. **PLEASE NOTE: We will not be back to GICS until 4pm.** Please make arrangements to pick up your child(ren) at that time. Also, students need to bring a bag lunch with a beverage - no pop please! The lunch needs to be completely disposable and everything will be thrown away after lunch.



Discover an 1820's military outpost.

Please call the school if you need to take advantage of the Extended Day program. We are very excited to learn more about our Minnesota history. Thank you for helping us with this trip by picking up your child!



COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER KICK-OFF

We had our Cookie Dough Fundraiser Kick-off on Tuesday, September 30th. Fundraiser materials should have come home with your child. Sale ends on Monday, October 13th and products will be available for pick-up before the Thanksgiving Break on Tuesday, November 25th. As a side note, we have had some folks tell us that they really don't want to order what we are selling, but would rather just make a donation. This is totally acceptable and actually a great idea as 100% of that donation goes directly to the school (verses 40% when we sell items). Thanks for supporting our fundraising efforts!

TARGET - TAKE CHARGE OF EDUCATION

Thank you for remembering to mention GICS when you check out at Target. We received a check for \$125.40. An easy way to get money for our school!



OFFICE DEPOT - BACK TO SCHOOLS MERCHANDISE CARD

If you order or make purchases from Office Depot, please help GICS by using our 5% Back to Schools Program ID number #70211876 for all their qualifying school supply purchases. The school received a gift card for FREE school supplies. So far we've received \$100.46! Thank you for your participation in this program!

GICS SPAGHETTI DINNER - Friday, October 24th - 5-8pm

Please send in your paid tickets and money to the office for the GICS Annual Spaghetti Dinner. More tickets are available if you need them. Thanks for your support of this event.



THANK YOU, SHELLY OTTO-FISHER!

Our Reading/Math Teacher, Shelly Otto-Fisher, has been offered a full-time 1st grade position in her hometown (Glencoe) and her last day will be today. Kristen Strauss will be taking over her job responsibilities and the two County Cork classrooms (grades 4-6) are being combined with James Alcorn as their teacher. (There will be 23 students in the County Cork.) We want to wish Shelly much luck in her new position and thank her for her services to GICS. Many thanks to staff who worked together to come up with this plan to best serve our students.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Have you noticed the empty bulletin board in the entryway? We could use some help decorating and maintaining this bulletin board. If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please give us a call.

ABSENT/TARDY/SICK CHILDREN

If your child will not be in school or if you are running late, please call the office by 9:00am. Please refer to the Student Handbook for further information. Thanks for your cooperation!

GICS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| OCTOBER 2008 | |
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| October | NWEA MAP Testing |
| Monday, October 6 – Friday, October 10 | Fire Prevention Week |
| Wednesday, October 8 | Local Field Trip – GI Fire Department |
| Monday, October 13 | Cookie Dough Fundraiser Orders DUE! |
| Monday, October 13 | CVN – Community Volunteer Network Meeting – 7pm |
| Tuesday, October 14 | Happy Birthday, Ms. Kristen Strauss! |
| Wednesday, October 15 | NO SCHOOL/Teacher Work Day |
| Thursday, October 16 – Friday, October 17 | NO SCHOOL / Teacher Professional Days |
| Thursday, October 23 | Happy Birthday, Ms. Kristine Schwartz! |
| Thursday, October 23 | GICS Board Meeting – 5:30pm * Note Date Change due to No School on 3 rd Thursday |
| Friday, October 24 | Art Classes with Nicole Roepke |
| Friday, October 24 | GICS Spaghetti Dinner -5-8pm |
| NOVEMBER 2008 | |
| Thursday, November 13 | End of Trimester 1 |
| Friday, November 14 | NO SCHOOL/Teacher Work Day |
| Wednesday, November 19 | Report Cards Sent Home |
| Monday, November 24 | Evening Conferences 3:30-8:00pm |
| Tuesday, November 25 | Evening Conferences 3:30-8:00pm |
| Tuesday, November 25 | Cookie Dough Pick-up |
| Wednesday, November 26-Friday, November 28 | NO SCHOOL/Thanksgiving Break |
| DECEMBER 2008 | |
| Wednesday, December 3 | Early Release – 1pm |
| Thursday, December 11 | Happy Birthday, Mr. James Alcorn! |
| Thursday, December 11 | Winter Program – 7pm |
| Friday, December 12 | Field Trip – Old Log Theatre |
| Monday, December 22- Wednesday, December 31 | NO SCHOOL – Winter Break |
| JANUARY 2009 | |
| Thursday, January 1-Friday, January 2 | NO SCHOOL – Winter Break |
| Monday, January 5 | School Resumes |

| * 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 |
| Reading & Math Teacher/Para | Kristen Strauss |
| Special Education | Kristine Schwartz |
| Library/School Volunteer | Mary Kay Donnay |
| Library | Holly Harjes |
| Extended Day | Ida Dissette |
| Preschool/Paraprofessional | Kacy (Panning) Honl |
| Paraprofessional | Karen Ritsema |
| Paraprofessional | Ashley Danielson |
| Business Manager | Keith Johnson |

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

PLEASE SAVE:

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

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