GES Newsletter

September 21, 2018

From Principal Roy's Desk

What a rainy week! We are looking forward to some sunshine this weekend!

In case you missed it last week, the School District needs your assistance and input! The School District is looking for parents who can dedicate up to 8 hours weekly to examine how we might operationalize a proposed consolidation plan that will appear as a warrant article for the community to consider on the March 2019 warrant. If you are interested, please let me know and I will forward your name to Superintendent Kimberly Saunders.

The Souhegan Valley Boys and Girls Club Before and After School Care program is up and running smoothly! Students from GES, HES and FES have access to this wonderful program and all it has to offer this year! Before School Care starts at 6:30am and After School Care runs until 6:30pm. Families have the option for 2, 3 or 5 days a week. There's plenty of room for students in grades K-4! Come join the fun! Care is available on Teacher Workshop Days and during School Vacations as well! If you have any questions about the program, please contact the Site Director, Rebecca Vasques at rvasques@svbgc.org

Our special next week will be PE/Health with Mrs. Parker. Be sure your child has their sneakers!

Open House will be on Wednesday, September 26th from 5:30-6:30pm. Please join us to visit your children's classrooms and see some of the beautiful work they have created!

October PTO Meeting will be on Monday, October 1st from 5:30-6:30pm. We will be discussing the upcoming Harvest Fair! Please note-this is a date change since last week!

Picture Day is Tuesday, October 2nd.

The Souhegan Valley Boys & Girls Club will be hosting a Family Bingo Night at GES on Thursday, October 4th from 6:30-7:30! See the attached flyer below for details. Join them for some snacks, fun and prizes for the family!

Harvest Fair is Saturday, October 6th. Stay tuned for details!

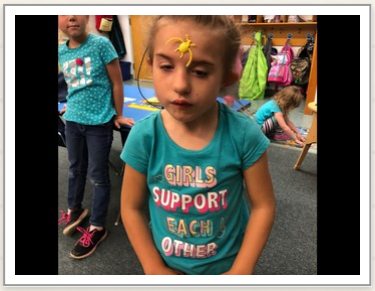
Cooperating at construction!

Magna-tiles are amazing!

Visiting Letterland

What's Happening in Kindergarten with Mrs. Hodgen?

I have to say that we have the smartest group of Kindergarteners around. They have been working so hard learning what it means to be a good listener and how to do our best work. This year we started a literacy program called Letterland and we only have 4 more letters to meet before we know the whole alphabet! Each letter has a name, a story, and a song. In math we have been counting a lot, and we've been shape detectives around our classroom. We have been talking about what a shape looks like even before we know the name. We also discussed cooperation, what that means and what that looks like for us as a class and in a community this week. So much learning!
Have a nice weekend!



Playing with bugs!

What rhymes with PAN?

Playdough time!

Fabulous First Grade News from Ms. McEwen

First grade has been keeping busy with some great writing, and learning about the Letterlanders. In math we have been practicing our number bonds, and Doug from Mystery Science taught us about cotton candy. I have also been spending a lot of time meeting with the kids individually. They have been telling me about all of the great things they learned in Kindergarten.

1st Grade Works of Art!

Wild whirlygigs made with Legos!

We love reading with our 4th grade Reading Buddies!

Second Grade Stories from Mrs. Aborn

Time is flying by so fast! We are already at the end of September and peaking into fall. Second graders have been so busy creating banks with Jeannie and picking out their reading buddies with Mrs. Sysyn. Ask your child what stuffed animal they chose to read with.

In math, we just finished Module 1: Sums and Differences to 100. Students learned new strategies to add and subtract with plus they have practiced math facts by playing fun games like marshmallow baseball and bingo.

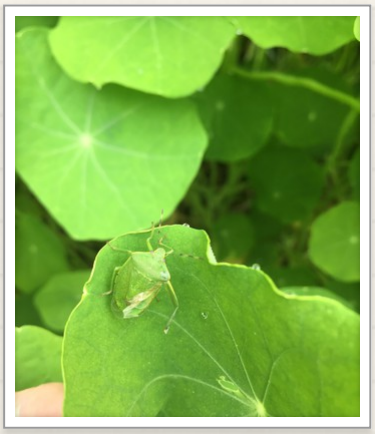
In reading, students learned what it was like to explore space as an astronaut. Our class wanted to know more about this subject so third grade let us borrow information books about space.

In writing, our class is learning how to restate a question and give their opinion. If you get a chance ask your child a question and have them to turn it into a statement. They are getting good at it.

We enjoyed our second week with the folks from the Cornucopia Project! We had a cloudy and cool Thursday in the school garden. We viewed a variety of natural specimens including living bugs, larvae, frass, and plant parts that had been eaten by bugs. Students enjoyed investigating the garden as entomologists and found evidence of bugs and their presence, using magnifying glasses to get a closer look. We especially enjoyed an argumentative bug poem and a bug song and dance. Everyone enthusiastically crunched on fresh veggies from the garden.

Next week we will have our third Cornucopia lesson. We will be learning about the different parts of a plant. Ask your child what types of insects they found.

Have a great weekend!
Mrs. Aborn



Who has been munching on our veggies?

Adding ingredients to our "Enemy Pie"

Summer is almost over!

Proud 3rd grade artist!

Colorful 3rd grade artwork adorning our hall!

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