Admin Notes
5.3.24

Dear GMS families,

Space Day was fantastic! It was an incredibly busy day with all sorts of activity. Here are a few pictures to give you an idea of how the day went, but rather than telling you all about it here, I encourage you to ask your middle schoolers to share about the day. Thank you to Jason Lariviere for orchestrating so much of this event for us. It was a huge planning puzzle, and he managed most of it.











We will be conducting iReady assessments on Monday and Tuesday next week. We use the data from iReady to make determinations about how to best support each student at GMS and provide the right instruction at the right time. We also look to determine each student's growth over the course of the year in reading and math. Testing will be Monday and Tuesday.

Please read on for news from around the school. There is a lot of it this week!
Sincerely,
Mar-E Trebilcock

Student Council

"Starry Night," the step-up dance for 6th and 7th grade students (ONLY), has been rescheduled for Friday, May 10, 2024, from 6:00-8:00 pm. The cost of admission is $5.00, and there will be a concession stand with food and drinks available to dance goers. If you are interested in donating food or your time, please see the Sign-Up Genius attached below. ***Please note that, if you signed up for the original dance date, your name is still on the Sign-Up Genius. If you are not able to bring the food donation or volunteer your time for the new date, please remove your name from the Sign-Up so that someone else can fill the slot.*** As always, thank you for making the dances great for our students! If you have any questions, please reach out to Marsha Fitzpatrick at mfitzpatrick@msad51.org.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4AAEAD29A2FC1-48468703-gms6th7th#/

District 2 Music Festival



Congratulations 5th and 6th Grade Singers: Keira O'Donnell, Winter Rollins, Aston Fackrell, Maya Raber, Jayda Keep, Sylvia Elliott, Marlena Fulton, Lincoln Taylor, Adelei Lindish

Drama Club

It is that time of the year again! The GMS Drama club is proud to present *The Alibis.*
When eccentric billionaire J. Leslie Arlington is murdered, a clueless detective finds the suspects are all reluctant to admit their alibis…because they were all committing other ridiculous crimes at the time. Please join us for the Greely Middle School Drama Club's production of *The Alibis* May 17, 18, and 19 at the Greely Center for the Arts. Admission is free but we ask that you reserve tickets ahead of time to ensure there is seating for all. Donations accepted at the door. Please come support the 41 students who have been working hard this year to make this a spectacular event! https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-alibis-tickets-894316553887

Math Team News

On Thursday, May 2, the Southern Maine Math League held its first in-person meet since 2019. Teams from Gardiner to York gathered at the Portland Expo for the fourth and final meet of the year. One of the many teams who attended was Greely Middle School's Seventh Grade Math Team, coached by GMS teacher Mark McDonough. For the third time this year, his team secured a first place finish. Three members of the team also took home individual awards. These are given to the top five scorers from each grade. They are: William Sandifer - Fourth place, Peter Colianni - Third place, and Lincoln Welles - Second place. Congratulations to the whole team on their tremendous success this year.



L to R: Matthew Wilkerson, Lincoln Welles, William Sandifer, Jack Milliken, Peter Colianni, and Mr. McDonough

8th Grade

We are excited about our end of year field trip to Canobie Lake Park to celebrate our student's completion of middle school. The cost is $30, which covers the entrance fee as well as the cost of charter buses to take us to and from the park. Permission slip forms will be sent home with your student on Monday May 6th. If you are unable to pay the fee at this time, please email *rmartin@msad51.org* or *jmorrill@msad51.org* directly.

Please let me know if you have any follow up questions. We look forward to a fun and positive end of the school year.

Yearbook Pictures

The yearbook is almost complete but we are struggling to find athletic photos - both team and action shots. If you have any photos from Fall, Winter, or Spring sports that you could share, I would love to add them in. Please email to jmorrill@msad51.org.

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Greely Middle School is thrilled to partner with TreeRing yearbooks this school year. TreeRing has updated yearbooks for the internet generation and ensures each yearbook captures memories of the school year and each individual student while still creating a hardcover, printed yearbook - delivered to school the last week of school!!!
Our yearbook is $34 (tax included). You can create a free account, take a look at the website, and easily purchase your copy. We're looking forward to building an epic yearbook!

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French News

6th grade French classes

Le sirop d'érable !



Bonjour! Sixth grade French students are learning all about the process of maple syrup production that happens in Maine and Québec.

On Monday, May 13, we will conclude our study of maple syrup production with a **Fête d'Erable (Maple Party**)! We are asking students to bring in items made with maple syrup so we can enjoy some tasty maple treats. There are a number of sweet and savory recipes found on the internet, and we have included a link to interesting recipes here.

Please watch your email for a sign-up link next week.

We all have busy lives, so if this is a burden, please do not feel any pressure to make something. There is always enough to go around.

We suggest the recipes stay away from nuts, as this is often a common allergy. Also if there are any other dietary restrictions, please let us know.

If you have any questions, please email us!

Merci d'avance!
Madame Lane & Madame Pruente

7th grade French classes
Une fête du chocolat !



Bonjour! On Monday, May 13, 7th grade French students will celebrate their study of chocolate production with a Chocolate Tasting during French class! We are asking students to please bring in samples of the types of chocolate we've learned about: dark chocolate, milk chocolate, white chocolate, and ruby chocolate to share with the class. (Note: *Godiva, Callebaut, Côte d'Or, Guylian, Lindt, Milka*, and *Toblerone* all come from Francophone countries!)
Please watch your email for a sign-up link next week.

If your child cannot eat or doesn't like to eat chocolate, please send in a snack that they can enjoy.
If you have any questions, please let us know.

Merci d'avance!
Madame Lane & Madame Pruente