Dear GIS Families:

We had a great week back from break. There are a LOT of great things happening in our classrooms and around the school!

We hope to see you at our Halloween Family Fun Night tonight from 6:00-8:00!

A Few Important Items:

- (NEW) Quarter One Report Cards - Quarter One report cards are now available for viewing. You can find your child's report card in your Powerschool Parent Portal.

- (NEW) Grandparent's Day - Grandparent's Day here at GIS will be held on Wednesday, November 8th. Please pass along the following schedule and details to your child's visitors!:

- 4th Grade 8:00am-9:00am (Refreshments in the cafeteria and optional book fair visit)
- 5th Grade 9:30am-10:30am (Refreshments in the cafeteria and optional book fair visit)
- 6th Grade 12:30pm-1:30pm (Lunch in the cafeteria and optional book fair visit)
 Visitors of 6th grade students will need to RSVP for lunch purposes. Please RSVP by clicking here by Monday, October 30th. **Also, please note that the adult lunch price is \$3.25**

Some other important reminders for this day:

- Please park on the north side of the building and enter through door 11. There is not to be any parking on the south side of the building.
- Plan to arrive by the start time of your designated visit time.
- At the conclusion of your visit time, you are free to exit the building. We ask that visitors do not go back to classrooms so that instruction can continue for the day.

- (NEW) Grandparent's Day Volunteers - Additionally, we are looking for some help with this event! We are in need of help for the roles listed below. If you are able to help, simply reply to this email to let me know which area you can help with! Thank you :)

- 4th Grade
 - Food Serving Lines
 - Picture Taking Stations
- 5th Grade
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 - Picture Taking Stations
- 6th Grade
 - Picture Taking Stations

- (NEW) Veterans Day - Due to the construction that is taking place in the GIS gymnasium this year, we are not able to use our bleachers for this event. We will not be inviting guests into the building

on this day for a formal, school-wide program in the gym. Instead, we will be honoring Veterans Day with a program over the intercom and in classrooms.

- (NEW) 5th Grade DARE Graduation - We will be celebrating our 5th grade DARE graduates on November 10th from 8:30-9:30 a.m in the GIS Gymnasium! Students will receive their DARE certificates with a cookie reception following. We hope you will join us! Please <u>click here</u> to **RSVP** by Monday, November 6th.

- **(NEW) Clean Sock Drive** - NEHS will begin a "clean sock" drive to benefit the homeless November 1st through the 17th. Donations will be recorded and the homeroom that collects the most clean socks will win donut holes and the winner of "2017 Sock Drive Champs!"

- (NEW) Beginning Hand Sewing - If your child has already signed up, Beginning Hand Sewing takes place Monday (October 30th) and Wednesday (November 1st) of this upcoming week. Students will meet in Ms. Muehl's room after school on Monday and Wednesday until 4 pm. Pick up is at the BACK doors/car rider line. All materials and supplies will be provided for Beginning Hand Sewing. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Ms. Muehl ASAP at bmuehl@gcsc.k12.in.us

- (NEW) United Christmas Service - The United Christmas Service application is available to GIS families from November 1-17. You may pick up a copy in the GIS front office or print out a copy by clicking <u>here</u>. As always, assistance is given based on needs and available gifts for donors. Assistance is not guaranteed.

- (NEW) GIS Construction Update - Demolition to the current locker room area has begun! Also, installation work has started on the new exterior gym entrance on the north side of the building. Our bleachers in our gym are currently blocked from being pulled out. At this point, however, all normal drop-off/pickup procedures remain unchanged. Stay tuned for further updates as they happen.

- (NEW) Picture Retakes - Picture retakes will be November 1st.

- **Character First** - The character trait for the month of October is Truthfulness. We are defining Truthfulness as "Being honest no matter what." Please take a minute to speak with your student about this month's character trait.

- Parent/Teacher Conferences - There will be two options for attending your child's Parent/Teacher Conference again this year. Those two nights will be Thursday, November 2nd and Thursday, November 9th. We will once again be using an online service to sign up for conferences. More information and the signup link is attached to this email. The signup link went live Monday, October 2nd. The link is also available <u>here</u>. - Box Tops for Education - Please save box tops for the GIS library. All proceeds from box tops will be used to buy library books. The library has a contest with the homerooms and the top 3 homerooms who turn in box tops by Dec. 1 will win an ice cream sundae party. The top 3 individuals who turn in box tops will win \$10.00 to spend at the book fair. Thank you for helping to put books in our library!

Upcoming Dates:

- Blue or Gold Day? Monday will be a GOLD Day
- College Go Week 10/30-11/3
- Picture Retakes 11/1
- Parent/Teacher Conferences (Night 1) 11/2
- Grandparent's Day 11/8
- Parent/Teacher Conferences (Night 2) 11/9
- Veterans Day (observed) 11/10
- DARE Graduation 11/10
- Spell Bowl 11/16
- Thanksgiving Break 11/22-11/24

Attachments:

- Lunch Menu
- GIS After School Art Program Info and Permission Slips (3 attachments)

- Parent/Teacher Conferences Info
- Girls on the Run 5K info
- Spirit Wear Order Form (due back by November 17)
- Greenfield Central School Foundation Newsletter