



Middle School Matters

September 4, 2023

Monday 9/4 NO SCHOOL	Tuesday 9/5 Day 6	Wednesday 9/6 Day 1	Thursday 9/7 Day 2	Friday 9/8 Day 3
Monday 9/11 Day 4	Tuesday 9/12 Day 5	Wednesday 9/13 Day 6	Thursday 9/14 Day 1	Friday 9/15 Day 2

Dates to Make Note of:

Sept. 4 - No School/Labor Day
Sept. 12 - Picture Day
Sept. 13 - PATRIOT PRIDE
Sept. 25 - No School
Oct. 5 - BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT, 6:30PM



TO ALL OF OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS!

Updated Track and Field News from Last Season:

The Middle School Boys and Girls Track and Field Teams turned in a fine season this past spring. The boys finished with 8 wins and no losses, and the girls had 5 wins and 3 losses. Bella Erle set a new school record in the discus and Sonny Baldino set a new school record in the 400 meter dash. There were 25 medals earned during the season by the girls and 37 by the boys in special meets where the teams had participated.

Student Pick Up After School/Sports

We are asking our parents to please respect the designated traffic patterns when picking up your children after school and after sports. Specifically, please **do not** park in the handicapped designated areas unless you are in possession of a handicapped placard; refrain from double parking in any areas in front of the middle school preventing the free flow of traffic, the bus lanes, the cross walks or fire hydrants. Lastly, we encourage the use of the spaces in our parking lots as these are the best places to wait for your child. Safety of all is paramount given the hundreds of children in the area.

Parents of Athletes:

Please pick up your student **no later than 5:10PM, after practice!** Thank you.

SHARING NEWS!

As usual, 8th grade student Ksenya Wong has been staying active. We want to share the news that she is the newly crowned National American Miss Pennsylvania Preteen. She competed in interviews, personal introduction, formal wear, actress, talent and modeling. She won the title, actress and modeling competition and was a runner up for talent. She will move on to compete for the National Preteen title in Orlando, FL over Thanksgiving break. She is also looking forward to continuing to expand her impact in the community. Here is an article that was published in Vista Today to highlight her achievements: <https://vista.today/2023/08/ksenya-wong-malvern/> Congratulations Ksenya we're so proud of you!!

POINTS OF INTEREST

- **GVMS ROBOTICS** will be holding a brief meeting for **returning** Robotics Club students in Room 136 during **8th period on Tuesday, September 5th**. There will be a meeting for any **new** students interested in joining the GVMS Robotics Club in Room 136 during **period 8 on Wednesday, September 6th**.
- **Don't forget** to bring your smile to school on Tuesday, September 12th... it's Photo Day at GVMS. Photo forms will be given out during science classes or can be obtained in the Guidance Office.
- Do you rock at Jeopardy? Love random trivia? Quiz Bowl is a team competition that practices in the AM during selected lunches. Students who are interested in joining the Quiz Bowl team should see Mrs. McGovern in room 112 to sign up!

Theater Announcement

The Great Valley Middle School Theater Company is thrilled to announce our much-anticipated production for 2024: "Matilda the Musical Jr.". Auditions will be held on September 5th and 6th (Tuesday and Wednesday) after school. Audition materials, a sign-up link and other information will be on flyers posted around the school beginning August 30th. Students will need to arrange for a ride home from a parent on the audition days.

If anyone has any questions, please see Ms. McKendrick in room 215 or email hmckendrick@gvmsd.org.

- Students interested in joining **Student Council** should see Mr. Whitelock in room 121!
- **Attendance Reminders:** If your student will be absent from school, or leaving early, please be sure to send a note to Pick Up Patrol. For additional information please visit the website at: [PickUp Patrol: Safe, Affordable School Dismissal System — Frequently Asked Questions - Parents](#)
- **PTO INFORMATION:** It's easy to support the Great Valley Middle School PTO... "Just Write a Check". Please visit the PTO website at: <https://www.gvmspto.org/just-write-a-check>
- Parents, on August 30th all of you received an email from the GVSD regarding updating your information in Skyward. This update was due no later than September 1, 2023. This is to inform you that the deadline has been extended. Please read the email that was sent on August 30th and make the necessary changes in Skyward to any information that has been changed since last year. Follow the link below copy and past this URL in any web browser to reach the site: https://greatvalley.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_25JzzZOzMywbKDO?Q_CHL=gl&Q_DL=EMD_etmrMfq4xawYPCn_25JzzZOzMywbKDO_CGC_iH914xzd6KYNKHH&g=g