



GRISWOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

Happy Summer from Griswold Elementary School! We hope the past couple of months have been fantastic for you and your family. As August rolls in, we are gearing up for the 2024-2025 school year, and we're excited to make it a great one!



Last year, GES implemented the Kindness in the Classroom program from The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation across all grades. This program offers a lesson-based approach to Social Emotional Learning. We're thrilled to continue fostering connections in the classroom, school, community, and home through our new character traits: RESPECT, CARING, INCLUSIVENESS, INTEGRITY, RESPONSIBILITY, and COURAGE. Together, we aim to "Make Kindness the Norm" at Griswold Elementary School.



We hope your child has been enjoying CONNECTICUT READS, the 2024 Governor's Summer Reading Challenge! Reading is key to building independence, self-confidence, and expanding imagination. Check out [A Reading Message to Parents and Students](#). Additionally, the Connecticut Summer Math Challenge, "Blast Off the Math Success," is underway. Check out [A Math Message to Parents and Students](#). Remember, Reading and Mathematics are lifelong skills, and we appreciate the support from our State during the summer. Both the Summer Reading Journal and Summer Math Log are due by Friday, September 27th. If you need a copy of either, just let the GES office know. Let's aim for 100% student participation in each challenge!



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2024-2025 Homeroom Teacher can be found here,

<https://griswoldct.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/griswold.jsp>

Open Houses:

- *Grade 3 - Tuesday August 27th, 2:45-3:45
- *Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 2, Grade 4 - Wednesday August 28th, 2:45-3:45 pm.
- When you arrive please meet your child's teacher in the classroom. You will find a GES map at the Main Entrance of the building.
- Feel free to bring your child's school supplies in at this time.
- Popsicles on the Playground from 3:00-4:00, sponsored by the GES PTO.

Important information for the beginning of school

- First day of school, Thursday, August 29th
- School hours, 8:40 - 3:10
- Please label all of your child's personal belongings: backpacks, lunch boxes, etc.
- GES School website to find the school Calendar, Bus information, Menus, and Supply lists
<https://ges.griswoldpublicschools.org/>
- GES will be collecting non perishable items for St. Mary's food pantry during open house until 9/13/24. Please see the flyer for more details.
[Food drive 24.25.pdf](#)

Enjoy the rest of your summer vacation! We cannot wait to see you in a couple of weeks!

Sincerely,

Mr. Bordeau & Ms. Love