Middle School Matters

October 21, 2024

Monday 10/21 Day 3	Tuesday 10/22 Day 4	Wednesday 10/23 Day 5	Thursday 10/24 Day 6	Friday 10/25 Day 1
Monday 10/28 Day 2	Tuesday 10/29 Day 3	Wednesday 10/30 Day 4	Thursday 10/31 Day 5	Friday 11/1 **NO SCHOOL**

Dates to Make Note of:

Oct. 25- PTO Bingo Bash, 6:30PM-8PM, Dining Room
Oct. 29 - End of Term 1
Oct. 30 - Term 2 begins
Nov. 1—NO SCHOOL
Nov. 5 - NO SCHOOL/Teacher In Service
Nov. 13 - Picture Retake Day

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Grade 7: Johnny Affonso, Trey Floyd, Ava Riffel And Julia Somers

Grade 8: Zoya Tariq, Shivani Hariram, Reigan Clear and Ian Min

Join the **GVMS PTO** for our **Fall Bingo Bash** on Friday, October 25th from 6:30-8:00PM in the GVMS Cafeteria! Tickets are $5 per student (with guardian). Wear your festive, fall flannel and join us for several rounds of the classic game, prizes, snacks, and pumpkin decorating. Remember, **this is not a drop-off event**, but a fun night for parents & guardians too! You may purchase tickets online now through 10/23 at https://gvmspto.membershiptoolkit.com/form/m/308866 or by scanning the QR code . As always, we need your help to make this event a success, so please be on the lookout for our volunteer signup!

Join us for **Ice Skating at Power Play Rinks** in Exton on Tuesday, November 5th from 1:45PM-3:15PM (no school for students as it is Election Day). Invite your family and friends! Skating is $9 per person, which includes skates/walkers if needed. Admission payable upon arrival, no advance RSVP is necessary. (www.skatepowerplay.com) Dress in warm clothing; long pants, a good pair of socks, jacket, and a pair of gloves. Helmets encouraged for all ages; children under 7 are required to wear a helmet (bicycle, rollerblading or hockey helmets will do). An adult must be present (i.e., this is not a "drop off" event).

Follow us on Facebook (GVMS PTO), Instagram (gvmspto) and visit our website at www.gvmspto.org for all the GVMS PTO happenings!

Points of Interest

- **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**.
  Parents can also send attendance notes to our attendance email: **gvmsattendance@gvsd.org for early pick up or absences.**
- **Reminder**, please be sure all cell phones are locked in your lockers during the school day!

Behavioral Health Screening – Grade 7
The emotional and mental health of our students is a priority for Great Valley. We are taking the pro-active step of screening 7th grade students to help identify students who may be struggling with mental health concerns and to target preventative supports. If you have a 7th grade student you should have received a School Messenger or letter in the mail with information about this screening and a request for your consent. If you did not receive this or would like more information, please contact **student-services@gvsd.org**

Evaluación de Salud Conductual – Grado 7
La salud emocional y mental de nuestros estudiantes es una prioridad para Great Valley. Estamos tomando la medida proactiva de evaluar a los estudiantes de 7º grado para ayudar a identificar a los estudiantes que pueden estar luchando con problemas de salud mental y para enfocarnos en apoyos preventivos. Si tiene un estudiante de 7º grado, debería haber recibido un mensajero escolar o una carta en el mes con I nformación sobre esta evaluación y una solicitud de su consentimiento. Si no lo ha recibido o desea obtener más información, póngase en contacto con **student-services@gvsd.org**

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