

December 2024

A primary focus of the Gramon School curriculum focuses on community Integration. Community integration is crucial for students because it fosters a sense of belonging, builds essential social skills, and promotes personal growth. This could involve:



- Public transportation skills (e.g., reading bus schedules, purchasing tickets)
- Understanding public spaces (e.g., grocery stores, libraries, restaurants)
- Using services (e.g., going to a bank, making phone calls)

STAFF HIGHLIGHT

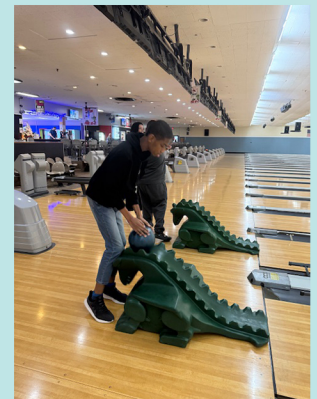
ADRIANA - JOB COACH TASTE OF GRAMON



Adriana is a dedicated and experienced culinary instructor who has been with GFS for 13 years. With a deep passion for teaching, she brings a wealth of culinary knowledge to her students, guiding them through engaging hands-on lessons that not only sharpen their cooking skills but also foster essential life skills. Through preparing meals for students, staff, and special events, Adriana creates an environment that is both educational and enjoyable. Her goal is to inspire students to build confidence in the kitchen, develop valuable soft skills, and cultivate a lasting love for cooking.

COMMUNITY BASED INSTRUCTION

Students visited Hanover Lanes, where they showed off their bowling skills and practiced teamwork as they cheered on their teammates. There was friendly competition, but it's all about having fun.



QUICK INFORMATION

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HOLIDAY FUN

The Gramon School had a visit from a jolly fellow in December. Students enjoyed receiving gift cards to our local cafe', N'Bistro. All students had the opportunity to go shopping and practice their purchasing skills.



THERAPIST CORNER

Our students are incredibly talented, as evidenced by the beautiful artwork adorning our halls and classrooms. However, sometimes it can be challenging to see things from another's point of view. To encourage this skill, I use a fun activity called "Squiggle Perspective Taking" game. Why not try it at home with your child and see what imaginative worlds they create?

Here, try it!

Step 1: Take a blank piece of paper and draw some sort of squiggle on it. Have your child make their own squiggle on a separate piece of paper. Don't overthink it, do whatever feels natural!

Step 2: Swap squiggles with your child and instruct him/her to create something out of the squiggle, while you do the same with the one they gave you.

Step 3: Show each other your squiggles and talk about what inspired your creations!

Marisa Bianchi
School Counselor

WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT?!

1/20 - School Closed

1/24 - Basketball Games Start

2/14 - Valentine's Day

2/24 - 28 - Book Fair



CAREER READINESS

THE N'BISTRO

Working in our school coffee shop and store allows students to learn practical skills that can be applied to various work environments. They may learn how to operate a cash register, stock shelves, assist customers, and perform other tasks that are essential in the retail industry.

