Middle School Matters

JANUARY 27, 2025

Monday 1/27 Day 2	Tuesday 1/28 Day 3	Wednesday 1/29 Day 4	Thursday 1/30 Day 5	Friday 1/31 Day 6
Monday 2/3 Day 1	Tuesday 2/4 Day 2	Wednesday 2/5 Day 3	Thursday 2/6 Day 4	Friday 2/7 Day 5

Dates to Make Note of:

Jan. 29 - Envirothon Meeting, 2:30-3:30, Room 211
Jan. 31 - SVAB @GVHS, 7PM
Feb. 5 - PATRIOT PRIDE
Feb. 7 - PTO Meeting, 1PM
Feb. 12 - Envirothon Meeting, 2:30-3:30, Room 211
Feb. 13 - NJHS Induction, 7PM
Feb. 14 - Early Dismissal/Teacher-In-Service
Feb. 21 - Dance, 7-9PM
Feb. 26 - Wellness Day
Mar. 14 - Harlem Wizards v. Great Valley Teachers @ GVHS Gym, 7PM

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Grade 7: Carter Altman, Isabel Markose, Samhit Ganvir and Akshitha Gunnu

Grade 8: Eduart Xhigoli, Isabelle Sciarra, Liliana Medina and Juliana Pawlik

The **HS Music Department** will be at the MS on **Wednesday, January 29th** during the **2nd period** for a presentation on music offerings at the HS next year. This meeting is open to all 8th grade students even if you are not taking music classes this year. If you are not currently in 8th grade band, choir or orchestra and would like to attend the meeting please see Mr. Dippell or Mr. Search for a pass. Thanks!

Congratulations to all the 7th & 8th graders who participated in our annual GVMS Spelling Bee. Eighteen students participated, and it took 30 rounds to declare the winner. 8th grader Aashi Chopra took third place, and for the 2nd year in a row, 7th grader Robbie Gerhold took 2nd place and 7th grader **Vrishank Cherukuri** was our winner! The championship word was defibrillator. **Vrishank** will be competing at the county level Spelling Bee in February. We wish him the best!

POINTS OF INTEREST

Black History Month Poster Contest

The Great Valley School District offers students (K through 12) the opportunity to participate in a poster contest focused on Black History. The goal of the contest is to encourage students to learn more about the contributions of Black people in our society and to highlight students' talents. The contest has both an art component and a short writing component.

Great Valley School District is proud to partner with Neighbors in Black and White, Inc., (NiBW) on this initiative. NiBW is a locally managed 501c3 non-profit dedicated to sharing a message of hope that people of different backgrounds can live together in unity and be a force for racial justice and inclusion throughout life. www.neighborsinblackandwhite.org

The goals of the **Black History Month (BHM) Poster Contest** include:

1. To further our efforts to build stronger connections between people of all backgrounds by **recognizing the contributions of Black people in our society – today and in the past**.
2. To move beyond words to action and support non-profit organizations that help **further efforts to value Black people in America**.

Students should submit their completed work and accompanying documents in a sealed envelope/container to the school's main office **by January 31st**.

Join us for a **GVMS PTO Dine & Donate** at **Tuk Tuk Thai Kitchen** at 309 Lancaster Ave in Malvern on Tuesday, February 4th from 11:30AM--3PM and 4:30PM-9PM. (**https://www.tuktukthaimalvern.com/**) **Please be sure to **mention the GVMS PTO when placing your order**.

The GVMS PTO will hold a General Membership Meeting on Friday, February 7th from 1PM-2PM in the GVMS Library. Join us to learn about events and volunteer opportunities! The agenda will be available on **http://www.gvmspto.org** prior to the meeting.

Save the dates! More information will be released soon on our Philadelphia Rock Gym event on Friday, February 14th from 2-4PM and our next GVMS PTO Family Event to be held at GVMS on Friday, April 4th from 6:30-8PM.

Great Valley School District Education Foundation presents:
Harlem Wizards v. Great Valley Teachers
Friday, March 14, 2025
7:00 PM
Great Valley High School Gymnasium... *COME JOIN THE FUN!*
https://pretix.eu/harlemwizards/malvernpa03-14-25-07-00pm/