

April 2025

The Grade Gazette



Mt. Zion Grade School



GRANDPARENTS DAY

Special points of interest:

- * Grandparents Day
- * Second Grade Concert
- * Art Show
- * Book Fair
- * IAR TESTING

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One of our favorite weeks of the year is Grandparents Week. We look forward to having these VIPs in our building! To speed the process of welcoming our grandparents, each will receive an invitation to bring with them. Please check emails and backpacks for details. Our dates are as follows: Tuesday, April 22, Grade 3 & ASPIRE—**Causey, DeMeio, Kyburz, Schorfheide**; Wednesday, April 23,

Grade 3—**Beller, Grove, Pierce, Talty, Wendell**; Thursday, April 24, 2nd Grade—**Hatayama, Perry, Stambaugh, Tapscott**; Friday, April 25, 2nd Grade—**Barter, Koslofski, Peters, Wilson**. All visits will occur from 10:00-11:00 AM. **PARKING: All school lots will be open.** In the lower lot, please park normally ignoring the white parent pick up lines. Additionally, **the First Baptist Church has gra-**

ciously opened their lot to us. Please have all lots cleared soon after 11:00.

We look forward to large groups of these very important visitors. We will gather in the gym. Then, students will welcome our grandparents and escort them to their classrooms. **PLEASE DON'T FORGET YOUR INVITATIONS.**

Second Grade Spring Concert

Mrs. Sill, the Second Grade & ASPIRE are excited to present their Spring Concert, *Gettin' Down with Mama Goose*. We are sure that our Second Grade families and our other guests will

enjoy it.

The concert will be held at the Mt. Zion High School Auditorium on Tuesday, April 8, at 6:00 PM.

Students should be seated with their family by 5:45 PM

and remain seated with their families until called up on stage. Directions for dismissal will be announced at the end of the concert.

The concert will be livestreamed on [BRAVESTV](#)

Mt. Zion Grade Art Show

On Thursday, April 24, 4-7 PM, Mt. Zion Grade School will hold its Art Show! Visitors will stroll through our gallery to see our

students' artwork. Mrs. Cowgill has been working hard to make sure that the Art Show will be special. After you take in our

students' creations, please visit the Literati Book Fair being held in the library.

Book Fair

We are looking forward to our second book fair of the year! The Literati book fair will be held the week of April 21-25. It

will be open each school day from 8:30—3:00. In addition, there will be one Family Night, Thursday, April 24, 4:00-7:00 in

conjunction with our Art Show. Purchases may also be made online if preferred as <https://www.literati.com/MtZion> No

IAR Testing For 3rd Grade

The third grade will be participating in the Illinois Assessment of Readiness...

The third grade will be participating in the Illinois Assessment of Readiness beginning Monday, March 31 and ending Friday, April 19. The students and teachers have been preparing for these tests for some time. McGaughey and Mt. Zion Grade have put much effort into teach-

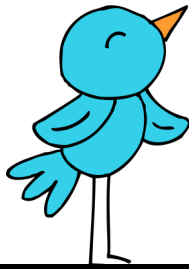
ing and learning the knowledge and skills presented in the Common Core State Standards. We appreciate all of our parents' efforts in making sure that their third grader is ready for the test each day. Please make sure that your child has plenty of free exercise and relaxation, a

good night's sleep, and a good breakfast on testing day. Also, please encourage your child to do their best, but to not be overly concerned. Mt. Zion Grade School is looking forward to good test results again this year.







EVENTS CALENDAR for April

March 31	Illinois Assessment of Readiness Testing Begins
April 8	Second Grade Concert 6:00 PM @ HS Auditorium
April 11	Illinois Assessment of Readiness Testing Ends
April 15	Board of Education Meeting 6:30 PM @ CO
April 21-25	Book Fair 8:30-3:00
April 22	Grandparents Day 10:00-11:00 Causey, DeMeio, Kyburz, Schorfheide
April 23	Grandparents Day 10:00-11:00 Beller, Grove, Pierce, Talty, Wendell
April 24	Grandparents Day 10:00-11:00 Hatayama, Perry, Stambaugh, Tapscott
.....	Art Show 4:00-7:00
.....	Book Fair Family Night 4:00-7:00
April 25	Grandparents Day 10:00-11:00 Barter, Koslofski, Peters, Wilson

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	31	1	2	3	4	5
	IAR Testing Third Grade					
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	IAR Testing Third Grade					
		Second Grade Concert 6 PM HS Auditorium				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Board of Education Meeting 6:30 District Office			Good Friday No School	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
EASTER SUNDAY 	Book Fair April 21-25 	Grandparents' Day Grade 3A, 10-11 Causey, DeMeio, Kyburz, Schorfheide	Grandparents' Day Grade 3B, 10-11 Beller, Grove, Pierce, Talty, Wendell	Grandparents' Day Grade 2A, 10-11 Hatayama, Perry, Stambaugh, Tapscott	Grandparents' Day Grade 2B, 10-11 Barter, Koslofski, Peters, Wilson	
27	28	29	30			
In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity. -Albert Einstein				 Art Show & Book Fair Thursday, 4/24 4-7 PM		

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School Hours

Regular Attendance Day

8:00-8:20 Morning Recess

8:30-3:00 Instruction

Early Dismissal Day

8:00-8:20 Morning Recess

8:30-11:35 Instruction

Office Hours

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Coming In May

May 7 National School Nurse Day

May 5 School Board Meeting 6:30 PM @ District Office

May 27 MZG Playday (?)

May 29 Last Day of School

..... 11:35 Dismissal