January 11th Announcements

Greetings, Giraffe Nation! This is Mr. W, Principal of Jesse Wharton Elementary School, with some important reminders for the upcoming week!

The registration window for rising kindergarten students opened this past Friday, January 9th. Please help spread the word to your neighbors, friends, and colleagues that they can now go ahead and begin the process of registration for the 2026-2027 school year. We will be hosting some important Kindergarten Kickoff activities toward the end of February and beginning of March but in the meantime, they can complete the registration online on the Infinite Campus portal found on the GCS website.

Second Grade students will be administered the CogAt Assessment this week on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. A reminder to our 2nd grade families that this provides a different type of information about our students, and it's the first step in the Academically Gifted identification process for students to receive services when they start 3rd grade.

The DIBELs MOY window will open this week, and over the next couple of weeks our students will be working individually with their teacher or staff to assess important early literacy skills. We will be sharing updated progress with parents when the 2nd Quarter Report Card is sent home with students.

Third Grade students will take their ELA Interim Benchmark Assessment #2 on Thursday of this week.

First Grade students will be off to the High Point Children's Museum on Friday, January 16th.

Congratulations to our students who were nominated to spin the TOWER wheel!!



**Save the Dates and Events:**

- January 5th – First Day back from Winter Break!
- January 7th – 5th Grade ELA Interim Benchmark #2
- January 8th – 5th Grade Math Interim Benchmark #2
- January 12 – MOY DIBELs Window Opens
- January 15th – 3rd Grade ELA Interim Benchmark #2
- January 16th – 1st Grade Field Trip to Nido and Marianna Qubein Children's Museum
- January 19th – Martin Luther King Holiday – School and Office are Closed in Observance
- January 22nd – 3rd Grade Math & 5th Grade Science Interim Benchmark #2
- January 23rd – End of the 2nd Grading Period
- January 26th – Mandatory Teacher Workday (No School for Students)
- January 29th - NWEA Winter Map Reading Assessment (K-5th)
- January 30th – PTA Spirit Day

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Thank you, have a great evening!

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- Jesse Wharton Elementary PTA Website: https://jwes.givebacks.com/
- Cafeteria Pre-Payment Link: SchoolCafé - GUILFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS
- GCS 2025/2026 Student & Family Handbook: Student & Family Handbook - Guilford County Schools
- Infinite Campus Parent Portal Information Link: Infinite Campus Parent Portal - Guilford County Schools
- Bus Transportation Request Link Transportation 2022-2023 Version 14.0 (perfectforms.com)
- Volunteer Registration Link: GCS Volunteer Registration Login (gcsvolunteers.com)

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