

# GWL-ES NEWSLETTER



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## APRIL

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- \* Spring Break - No school  
**March 30th - April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026**
- \* The Community Garden Trip  
**April 10<sup>th</sup> 2026**
- \* ELA State Test 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
**April 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> 2026**
- \* Poem in Your Pocket  
**April 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> 2026**
- \* BOE Buisness Meeting  
**April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2026 6pm @ MS**
- \* Kindergarten  
Arbor Day Ceremony  
**April 24<sup>th</sup> 2026**
- \* End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period  
**April 24<sup>th</sup> 2026**
- \* UPK & Kindergarten Orientation  
**April 29<sup>th</sup> 2026**

### Kids Heart Challenge: Making a Difference Together



We are proud to share that Greenwood Lake Elementary had another outstanding year participating in the Kids Heart Challenge in support of the American Heart Association! Our students truly demonstrated what it means to lead with heart. This year's highlights include:

- Over \$6,000 raised in 2026
- 42 elementary students registered for the Kids Heart Challenge
- 9 students completed hands-only CPR training
- 8 students learned the warning signs of a stroke
- 8 students completed Finn's Lifesaving Mission

A very special thank you to Coach Fosstveit for organizing and leading this important initiative. His dedication to student wellness and service continues to make a lasting impact on our school community.

We would also like to recognize Brian Emsworth in third grade for his incredible efforts, having raised over \$4,000 since 2022—an amazing accomplishment!

Thank you to our students, staff, and families for your continued support, generosity, and commitment to making a difference.

## Rockland Boulders

Congratulations to all of our Read for the NY Boulders readers! This was another incredibly successful district-wide reading challenge.

This year, our elementary students read an amazing 55,333 minutes—that's 922 hours of reading! Because of their hard work, 188 free tickets were earned, and 8 students achieved the top honor of "Homerun Reader," receiving 4 free tickets, a t-shirt, and the exciting opportunity to throw one of the first pitches at the game this May!

A very special shout-out to Ms. Auerfeld, our school librarian, for her enthusiasm, organization, and dedication to fostering a love of reading in our students. Her support truly helped make this challenge such a success.

We are so proud of our readers—great job, Greenwood Lake Elementary!

## The Community Garden Trip

On April 10, 2026, all students will go on a walking field trip to the GWL Community Garden, located just a few blocks from our school, to plant their own individual pea plant.



Arbor Day will be celebrated with our kindergarten students on April 22, 2026, in the elementary school courtyard.

## Poem In Your Pocket

April is national poetry month! April 21st-23rd students will be encouraged to carry a short poem in their pocket.

It can be a poem of their own making or one of their favorites from a published author.

Materials to make a pocket to wear will be sent home or they can make something of their own choosing.

Students may be stopped by a staff member and asked to read their poem out loud if they'd like.

We are looking forward to hearing from all of our poets!

## UPK & Kindergarten Orientation

Incoming Class of 2026-2027

Save the Date: April 29th

UPK and Kindergarten registration is ongoing!

For more information, please contact

[tfinn@gwlufsd.org](mailto:tfinn@gwlufsd.org)

## AM Clubs/Tutoring and Walkers:

For everyone's safety, please ensure students use the designated walkway at arrival and never cross between cars.

If using the commuter lot, students must be escorted across Waterstone Road to the doors of the school.

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