



Grant Gazette

At Grant Elementary **WE** Learn the Way, To Know the Way, To Show the Way!

Grant Elementary School
 425 West Upham Street
 Marshfield, WI 54449

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The 2025 – 2026 School Year Is Almost Complete!

Dear Grant Elementary Families,

It's hard to believe that there are only 4 weeks remaining in the school year. With that comes a variety of end-of-year school events and activities, including field trips. Make sure to stay informed of when field trips are scheduled to occur and be watching the weather forecast on outdoor field trip days so that your child(ren) is/are properly dressed and prepared for the elements, to include sunscreen on those bright sunny days. Some field trips benefit from the use of chaperones. Classroom teachers will communicate with families to determine the number needed (if any). On most occasions, chaperones will need to drive themselves to/from field trip locations due to limited seating on busses. In addition to field trips, there are a number of school presentations/performances that are scheduled to occur when parents/family members are invited to attend in-person. Please note that as with any school performance, there will be a limited number of designated seats available per child/student. This number will be communicated by classroom teachers.

The students and staff of Grant Elementary are so excited for our students to be able to partake in these special memory-making events to end the school year! A BIG **THANK YOU** goes out to the Grant Elementary PTO for funding all of the end of year field trips. Without organizing the fundraisers throughout the school year, these special opportunities for all of our students would not be possible.



Everyone have a marvelous month of May!

Mr. Jeff Damrau
 Principal, Grant Elementary

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 1** Professional Staff Workday—No Students
- May 4** 1:15 Well's Nature View reading to 1st Grade
- May 5** 2:50 Cribbage Club End of year party; 6th grade only
- May 6** 8:00 2 Will field trip to Mead Wildlife
9:00 5K & 5S field trip to school forest
2:50 Art Club End of year party
- May 7** 8:00 2L & 2WH field trip to Mead Wildlife
- May 8** 8:15-9:30 6th grade tour MMS
9:00 5M & 5G field trip to school forest
12:30 Schultz 1st grade Poetry Hour
- May 11** 8:30 3S & 3J field trip to Upham Mansion/City Hall
- May 12** 8:30 3H & 3E field trip to Upham Mansion/City Hall
- May 13** 9:00 4th grade field trip to Norm-E-Lane
4:00 PTO Meeting
- May 15** 6th grade Track & Field Day
12:30 Barnes 1st grade Poetry Hour
- May 18** 1:15 Well's Nature View reading to 1st grade
- May 19** 8:30 1SZ & 3J field trip to Ronald McDonald House
4:00-6:00 6th Grade picnic
- May 20** 8:00 Senior Send Off
- May 21** 8:00 –4:00 Safety Patrol to Chaos Waterpark
8:45 1st grade field trip to Melody Gardens
11:30 3rd grade to Hillside Cemetery
12:00 4P & 4H field trip to Melody Gardens
- May 22** 12:30 Stone 1st grade Poetry Hour
1:30 2nd grade field trip to Mfld Public Library
- May 25** Memorial Day - No School
- May 26** 8:15 1st grade field trip to school forest
8:15 3rd grade field trip to Melody Garden
9:00 5th grade field trip to Braem Park
1:00 2nd grade field trip to Simplicity
- May 27** 8:00 6th grade field trip to Camp Forest Springs
8:15 Kindergarten field trip to school forest
- May 28** 8:15 Kindergarten field trip to Wildwood Zoo
- May 29** 1:00 2nd grade field trip to Culvers

Last Day of School, Hello Summer

Hello Grant Families;

Spring is such an exciting time of the school year! What is the MOST exciting is seeing the growth that our students have and are making as learners.

As you look ahead to the summer months, you may want to check out some of the following local opportunities for children:

Marshfield Elementary Summer School

[Summer School | Elementary & Middle - School District of Marshfield](#)

YMCA

[Marshfield Clinic Health System YMCA - Marshfield, Wood County, Wisconsin \(mfldymca.org\)](#)

Boys & Girls Club

[Boys & Girls Club of Marshfield](#)

Marshfield Park and Rec

[Parks and Recreation \(marshfield.wi.us\)](#)

Everett Roehl Library

[Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library \(marshfieldlibrary.org\)](#)

Other Local Programs and Camps

[eFlyers View - School District of Marshfield](#)

***Please note this list is not comprehensive, but rather a few of what I have found through my own online research. There are many different sports organizations as well that you can find online and through talking with friends.**

Sincerely,

Jillian Banser-
Assistant Principal
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Summer Reading Fun

By Kelly Vaver

Did you know that when a child reads five or more books over the summer it may keep their fall reading scores from declining? With all the busyness that summer brings, it may seem difficult to squeeze in time to read, but there are a lot of fun reading activities parents can do with their children in the summer months.

Create a summer scrapbook filled with photos, brochures, ticket stubs, etc. Then have your child write captions for the memorabilia. Or, have your child write their own brochure for each place they visit.

Find out what your child is reading and read the same book so you can discuss it with them. Or hold a book club for kids. Have your child invite friends over to read and discuss a popular book. (Provide plenty of tasty snacks!)

Get involved in reading activities at the public library. Most libraries have a lot of fun things for kids to do. The Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library has a program where students can win prizes for reading books throughout the summer.

Read aloud to your child as much as possible. Pick fun places to read such as under the stars with a flashlight, in a treehouse, on the beach, or on a road trip.

Find audio books to encourage reluctant readers or struggling readers to listen and follow along with the book.

Buy subscriptions to children's magazines. Kids love getting mail in their name, and they will enjoy reading a magazine based on their interests.

Model good reading habits yourself. When children see their parents reading, they realize how important and fun reading can be. Let your child see you engaged in a good book, magazine, or newspaper...who knows, they may pick up the habit!

Have your child create a special reading nook out of blankets and chairs to have a special space to read.

Reading to younger siblings, parents, relatives, or even family pets can be a lot of fun for children.

Incorporating reading into a busy summer doesn't have to be a drag. Take one or two of these suggestions and see what works for your child. Or brainstorm with your child to see if they have any ideas to help build in some reading fun into a busy summer. Overall, keep reading this summer, and have a blast with it!



Springtime means flower time!

Come support the Grant PTO while making your yard look beautiful.

When: May 1st - 3rd

Friday May 1st: 9:00-6:00 pm

Saturday May 2nd: 8:00-5:00 pm

Sunday May 3rd: 10:00-3:00 pm

Where: Family Roots Greenhouse

7950 County Road H

Marshfield, WI 5449

(715)573-5560

****Family Roots will be donating 10% (pre-tax) of your total bill to the Grant PTO for floral purchases during the noted above weekend.**

Teacher: _____

Grade: _____

A hanging basket or arrangement will be provided to the classroom teacher with the most participants.

Please bring flyer with to receive credit for donation.

Bill Total: _____



Attention!

Students entering grade 5 and 6 you have the opportunity to join orchestra or band!

All students and their parents are invited to our informational meeting

When: Wednesday, May 13, 2026

4:00 Lincoln and Madison

4:40 Grant

5:20 Washington

6:00 Nasonville

If the assigned time does not work for you, feel free to attend a different session.

Why: To learn information about how to join orchestra or band. Get an instrument rental set up with Heid Music.

Where: Marshfield High School Band Room (enter through Door 37A off the circle drive)

The deadline to sign up for band or orchestra is May 29th
Questions? Please contact us!

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4th Grade



5th Grade

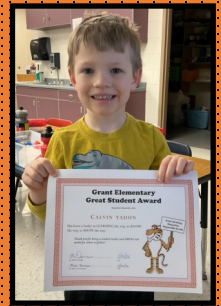


6th Grade

Great Students

Absent day of photo:





Kindergarten



1st Grade



2nd Grade



3rd Grade

The Great Kapok Tree



April was a busy month for 2nd grade students. They wrote research papers about different animals that live in the rainforest and created posters focusing on the layers of the rainforest and what animals live in each layer. Finally they worked hard to bring literature to life by their performance of The Kapok Tree, it was a HUGE success! Thank you to everyone that came and enjoyed the performance and special thank you to the Laird Center for hosting our play this year due to our construction.

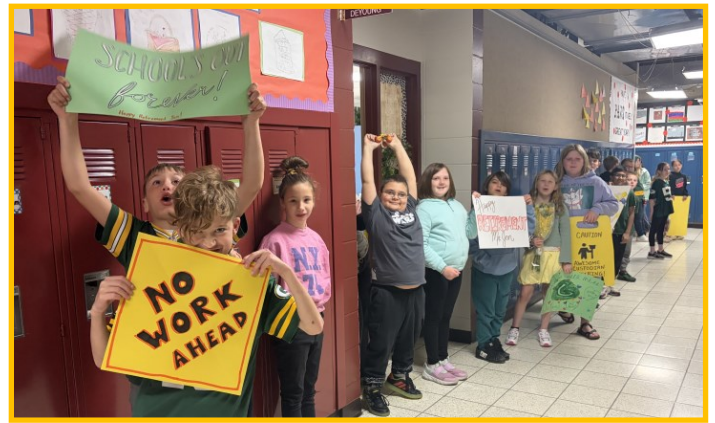


THE RAIN FOREST

Featuring our 2nd grade







Students and staff lined the hallways dressed in Green Bay Packer gear to cheer on Mr. Jon and wish him a happy retirement on his last day at Grant Elementary.

Thank you for your many years at Grant Elementary, you will be missed!

Happy Retirement Mr. Jon!!





2026-2027 Registration Information

For the upcoming school year, update student and family information in Skyward Family Access by going to Student Info, Request Changes. Click on all areas you would like to verify or update. Be sure to click Save at the bottom of each screen that you are submitting changes for. If no changes are needed, no further action is needed.

All students will be considered as returning in the fall. If you will not be returning to the School District of Marshfield in August, please notify us of the city, state, and school where you will be moving through the Family Access Contact Us tab in the upper right corner or through your school office as soon as you know.

An email will be sent in August regarding back to school information.

The screenshot shows the Skyward Family Access interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'My Account', 'Contact Us', 'Email History', and 'Exit'. Below this, the 'Family Access All Students' logo is visible. The main content area is titled 'Student Information' and features a sidebar with navigation options: Home, New Student Online Enrollment, Online Forms, Calendar, Gradebook, Attendance, Student Info (highlighted), Food Service, Schedule, Discipline, Fee Management, and Portfolio. The main content area displays a student profile with fields for School, Call, Grade, and Homeroom. A 'Request Changes for' button is highlighted in red. A dropdown menu is open, showing options like Student Information, Family Address, Family Information, Emergency Information, Emergency Contacts, Change Emergency Contact Order, View History, and View Unread Denials.

Emergency Contacts	Primary Phone	Second Phone	Third Phone	Employer's Phone	Home Email

Let's Keep Talking



A Series for People Who Care About Kids

6:00 PM

Felker Room
Everett Roehl

Marshfield Public Library

Presented By



March 5 Social Isolation & Loneliness

Feeling connected to others and having a sense of belonging are essential for our physical and mental health. Missy Wachuta, an intensive social worker and 4Sight coordinator with Wood County Human Services and CW Solutions, will present on understanding social isolation and loneliness, as well as strategies to address these issues.

May 7 Mental Health Discussion & Wood County Resources

Join us in May for a mental health discussion and learn about resources available in Wood County from Taylor, a counselor with Children's Wisconsin, and Casey, a Community Treatment Teams Program Manager with Wood County Behavioral Health Comprehensive Community Services.

June 4 Healthy Relationships

Discover important information from The Personal Development Center on teen dating, including relationship challenges and issues such as dating violence. Get tips on how to recognize the signs of healthy and unhealthy relationships. Understand how supportive adults can help teens build and improve their relationship skills.

