

Green Central Elementary School Newsletter

January 2019

Message from the Principals

Greetings Green Families!

Happy 2019!

Welcome back from a well-deserved break. We are proud of all our students for the fantastic job they are doing to improve their academic and social-emotional skills. At the end of December, we had a great multicultural celebration. Thank you all for making it happen. In January we will continue working hard at helping our students to reach their academic goals, we will recognize our students showing empathy, and we will have our second classroom conferences. In our pastries with the principals' event, we will talk about our comprehensive needs assessment. We need your input!

Attendance and punctuality are a critical part of the student's formation. Please make sure they are at school every day and on time. Our school opens at 7:45 and instruction starts at 8:05. During the cold weather, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Have a fantastic 2019!



Matthew Arnold
Principal



Beatriz DeSantiago
Assistant Principal

Health and Attendance Office

To learn and grow your child must be here in their classroom! Students should arrive by 7:45 AM. Next time you are in the building, please notice our Attendance Thermometer in the main hallway across from the art room.

Our goal is to have 95% or more of our students here EVERY DAY. We did meet this goal first quarter and celebrated by making popcorn for each classroom.

Please help us continue to meet this goal by having your child here, on time, ready to learn.

If we meet our goal for the second quarter, we will have another popcorn party on Friday, February 1st.

Please don't park at the front of the school. Follow the Sign.



Upcoming Dates

1/09 8-9 AM Pastries with the principals

1/12 9 AM - 1 PM Neighborhood Door Knocking

1/21 No School Dr. Martin Luther King Day

1/21-1/25 No After School

1/23 5-6 PM Parent Teacher Organization meeting

1/23 Student of the Month: Gratitude at 2:00 PM

1/26 10:00 AM High Five and Kindergarten Playdate

1/31 Classroom Conferences 5:30PM-7: 30 PM

Student of the Month *Forgiveness* Assembly

Wednesday, January 23rd @ 2PM

Classroom News

ECSE

Our learning theme will be all about WINTER! We will read: One Snowy Day, One Mitten, The Jacket I Wear in the Snow, The Mitten, Bear Snores On, and Snowmen at Night. We hope to decorate our hallway with our winter artwork!

High Five and Kindergarten

Families will meet for a playdate with current and prospective families on Saturday- January 26th at 10:00 AM. Crafts, story, outdoor play on a winter theme- weather permitting. Meet other Green parents and students for a fun time together.

1st Grade

Our students will be writing their own Informational Books. Field trip slips will be coming home soon for Ice Skating in the Spring! We look forward to working together, families and teachers at Classroom Conferences on January 31st. Please remember to read with your child every day!

2nd Grade

Our students have been making great progress. We hope you continue to work with them at home each day. Please read with your child **EVERY** day.

3rd Grade

We have started multiplication math! Please support your student by helping with their math facts, 1-10!

January kicks off our Ancient Civilization Social Studies Unit! Keep your student reading at home.

DCD

Miss Stacy's class will focus on manners, including saying "Please" and "Thank you" and helping others. We will read the stories The Little Red Hen and The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza. We will work on our fine motor skills by making crafts related to the characters in these stories. The colors for the month are red and brown and the shape is square. Help your student by talking about the work they bring home related to these concepts and pointing out things that are red, brown or squares in your home or community.

All School News

Community Outreach Event

Share the good news about Green! We need students and we need our neighbors to know our successes. YOUR stories matter, so please talk to parents in the community.

We will door knock in our neighborhood and sign up families for school tours. **Saturday, January 12th 9:00 - 1:00.**

Classroom Conferences- January 31st, 2018

Students whose parents attend classroom conferences do better at Green. Classroom conferences give parents specific information about how to support your student at home. 100% of the parents who attended in November said they recommend it to other parents. Here are some of the reasons why:

"The teachers explained how parents can help strengthen our child's skill at retelling stories and how it helps our child's reading level increase."

"We learn a lot about how to instruct our children so that they will triumph at school!"

There will be storytelling and building projects with Leonardo's basement for the children. Join us for refreshments at 5:30 and the meetings and children's activities begin at 6:00.

Tour Dates

Do you know a family that wants to learn more about Green? Call the office to register 612 668-3700.

PTO Meeting

Are you interested in participating in the parent teacher organization? Our first Meeting will be held 1/23/2019 at 5 PM.

Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) is at Green

Fun, affordable classes for parents and children. Birth to Kindergarten enrollment. **Register today <http://ecfe.mpls.k12.mn.us> or call 612.668.2127**