GRETCHKO ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 6, 2020



SPRING FLING - TONIGHT - GRETCHKO - MARCH 6TH 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Join us for our annual Spring Fling Friday evening from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Lots of fun. We will have a D.J., with a Magic Show, photo booth, airbrush tattoos, games and other activities. You will be able to purchase hot dogs, pizza, chips, drinks and a bake sale, all to support the school.

MONDAY, MARCH 9 - EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS DISMISSED AT 3:07 P.M.

SPRING PICTURE DAY - MARCH 13 - PRE-ORDERS ONLY Lifetouch photography will be on site Friday, March 13 - to take Spring Pictures. Only the students that have pre-ordered will have their pictures taken.

BOOK FAIR IS HERE - VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Gretchko is looking for volunteers to help the students at the Book Fair. If you are able to donate some of your time, please go to the following link to sign up!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0C4DACA92DA57-gretchko

NEWS FROM ART CLASS

Did you know the Detroit Institute of Arts has wonderful FREE family fon on Friday nights, Saturdays and Sundays. The fun includes workshops, artist demonstrations and family tours. This month the original Sesame Street Kermit the frog puppet is on display. The first grade studied the art work of *Frida Kahlo.* Her painting "Self Portrait with Monkey" is now on display at the DIA. General Admission is FREE to all Oakland County residents.

Also mark your calendar for our upcoming **Science and Art Fair scheduled for March 18.** We will have student art on display in the Multi-Purpose Room beginning at 4:30 p.m. and the Science Fair will begin at 5:30 and run to 7:30 p.m.

During our Science and Art Fair parents will have the opportunity to purchase a special piece of their student's framed artwork. Artwork is professionally framed, can be pre-ordered from now until the Science and Art Fair. Student artwork will be on display one night only (March 18). Student artwork purchases can be made on March 18 as well. Please pay by cash or checks made out to Gretchko Elementary for \$25.00 each piece of artwork.

Our students are learning many things in art this year and are very proud to display some of their best work for you. Looking forward to enjoying the evening with you! Tricia Takata, Gretchko Art Teacher! <u>Mary.takata@wbsd.org</u>

We will need paper grocery bags so student's artwork can be bagged. If you are able to donate any paper grocery bags in the coming weeks that would be helpful!

STUDENT ILLNESS AT SCHOOL

When a student becomes ill, has a fever, or an undiagnosed rash at school the student should go home quickly and not expose other individuals to the condition. Students must be fever free for 24 hours without medication to attend school. If a student throws up at school, the child must be picked up as soon as possible. If you are in a location that is far from the school, or are unable to retrieve your student quickly, please arrange with your emergency contact for the student pick-up in a timely manner.

YEARBOOK ORDERS

If you did not purchase pictures and would like to order a yearbook, please contact *Lifetouch* at 1-800-352-6234 and press option 2 and they will be able to help you. or goto: *ybpay.lifetouch.com.* Yearbook order deadline is March 9th. Access Code is : 12960120



Send out these reminders in the months or weeks leading up to your Art Show to help create awareness of the event. We recommend sending out a new image every week or so... and then every day the week before! You can even send out reminders after the show about parents' Last Chance to purchase a frame.

CLICK HERE for access to them on our website!

Enter the password artomeart for access.

Remember, these are generic promotional images that CANNOT be edited, but you can add information specific to your show when posting it in your school's social media account.





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REMINDER-UPDATE ON WBSD ATTENDANCE POLICIES

Did you know that WBSD marks students that arrive to school more than 1 hour late, absent for the morning. At the end of the day any student leaving more than 1 hour early from school is marked absent for the afternoon.

ORCHARD LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL -BEAUTY AND THE BEAST PRODUCTION

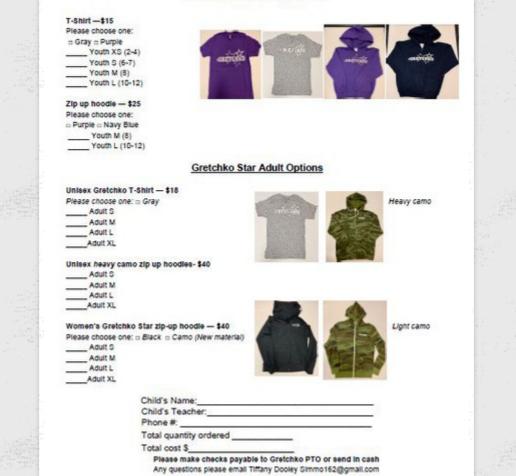
OLMS would like to invite everyone to their production of <u>"Beauty and the Beast"</u> (Jr.) March 20 - 7:00 p.m. and March 21 -Matinee at 2:00 p.m. Ticket information at <u>www.showtix4u.com</u> or <u>wbmusicaltheater@gmail.com</u>



NEW ORDER FORM FOR GRETCHKO SPIRIT WEAR

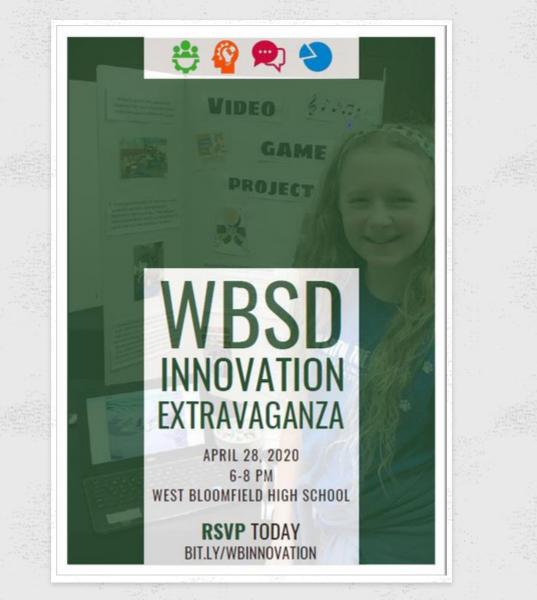
Gretchko Spirit Wear Order Form

Gretchko Star Youth Options



WBSD INNOVATION EXTRAVAGANZA

This awesome event will showcase our very own innovative students! Food will be provided for all families that RSVP. There will be tons of door prizes and anyone who RSVPs early will get extra tickets for the raffle! Go to the link below for more information and to RSVP bit.ly/wbinnovation



BOXTOP SAVING TIPS

Earning money for your school has never been easier. Simply download the app, choose your school and snap a picture of your receipts! Encourage your friends and family to download the app as well! Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles, Cousins, literally anyone who grocery shops and has a receipt can help Gretchko earn and it adds up quickly!

<u>https://www.boxtops4education.com/-/media/GMI/boxtopsforyoureducation/CRC-</u> <u>Downloads/June_19/BTFE_Overview.ashx?la=en</u> We still accept boxtops cut from products you purchase. We have a boxtop container in the front lobby.

WB DISTRICT MEDICATION POLICY

The WBSD Medication policy prohibits students from carrying any medication with them at school. All medication, both over-the-counter and prescribed, must be brought to the school office by a parent or guardian and will be administered from the main office only. In order for us to administer medication (over-the-counter and prescribed) the **WBSD Medication Forms, completed and signed by your students' physician, must be on file**. Please remember that all prescription medications must be in the original prescription container with your student's name and physician's instructions.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

March - NO PTO MEETING this month March 2 - Early Release dismissal at 3:07 p.m. March 2 - 6 Book Fair this week March 3 - Kindergarten Concert - Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Wild and Ms. Barker 6:30 p.m. March 6 Book Fair open - 4:30 - 7:30 for evening shoppers March 6 - Spring Fling 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. March 9 - Early Release-dismissal at 3:07 p.m. March 10 - NO SCHOOL-this is an addition to the original calendar (Election) March 13 - Spring school pictures March 13 - Bagel sale \$1.00 each March 16 - Early Release March 18 - Art and Science Fair - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. March 23 - Early Release March 26- Second Grade Music Concert Begins at 6:30 p.m. March 26 - County-Wide Tornado Drill March 27 - Spirit Day (80's) and Bagel sale- \$1.00 each March 30 - April 3rd - Spring Break - No school **APRIL** April 6 - Early Release - dismissal at 3:07 p.m. April 7 - PTO meeting at 7:00 p.m. - at Scotch Elementary April 10 - NO School April 20 - Early Release - Dismissal 3:07 p.m. April 24 - Spirit day (Camo Day) & Bagel Sale April 27 - Early Release dismissal 3:07 p.m.

SAFELINE PARENT REMINDER

Don't forgot to call the safeline at (248) 865-6572 if your child will be late or absent from school. Any unreported absence is considered an un-excused absence on your student's record.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Office phone Phone - 248-865-6570

Sally Drummond-principal email - <u>sally.drummond@wbsd.org</u> Kitrina Van Meter-principal's secretary email - <u>kitrina.van-meter@wbsd.org</u> Suzanne Pokley-building secretary - email - <u>suzanne.pokley@wbsd.org</u>

School answering machine - safeline - 248 - 865-6572 -

GRETCHKO STARS

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CODE OF CONDUCT

Below is the link for parents to have the opportunity to review the West Bloomfield School District's Code of Conduct. Please go to the following link to review

WBSD Code of Conduct

PTO BOARD MEMBERS -2019-2020

PTO Board for 2019-2020 School Year Co-President: Katie Palazzolo / Ashleigh Davis Co-Vice President: Amy Risius/Stephanie Reynolds Co-Treasurer: Vanity Koop/Ufuoma Kaplan Recording Secretary: Heather Aldrich Co-Corresponding Secretary: Juliet Jozwick /Erica Daenzer Board Advisor: Kelly Robrahn

BAGEL DAYS

Due to an overwhelming response, Gretchko PTO will no longer be able to provide a free bagel to students that have forgotten to bring bagel money. Bagel days at Gretchko are generally every other Friday and once a month are designated Spirit Days. Please mark your calendar for the following Friday BAGEL DAYS: February 28th(*Favorite Sports Team), March 13th, March 27th (80's Day), April 24th (Camo Day), May 8th, and May 29th(sunglasses day).

CLASSROOM PROJECT

Mrs. Hans' class has been studying weather and seasons for this year's Art and Science Fair. While investigating weather, they came up with a common problem for Gretchko students in the winter time. Many students forget or lose their gloves or mittens and sometimes have to sit out. Mrs. Hans' class with the help of Mrs. Ingram will be collecting any gently used or outgrown mittens or gloves. There will be a collection box near the star slips boxes in the hallway. Thank you for your contribution!

