

GRETCHKO ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 7, 2020



**ALL MONDAY'S IN SCHOOL DURING FEBRUARY ARE
EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS DISMISSED AT 3:17 P.M.**

WBSD PARENTS AND GUARDIANS -SURVEY RESPONSE REQUEST

Dear WBSD Parents and Guardians-

If you have not already responded to the following survey, please take time to fill out this short questionnaire.

The West Bloomfield School District is working to implement a systematic approach to meet the social and emotional learning needs of all students. As a stakeholder, we value your input as we are in the developmental stage of this process. As part of our continuous improvement efforts, we are asking for your participation in this survey.

We thank you in advance for your time,
WBSD Teaching and Learning Team

WINTERFEST NEXT TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

Great News - Looks like the weather is cooperating for our Winterfest. We are expecting to have our plenty of snow for **Winterfest on Tuesday, February 11, and Wednesday, February 12th.** WE WILL NEED LOTS OF PARENT VOLUNTEERS. PTO will have a Sign Up Genius available. Or you can check out Please review the schedule below for your student's classroom.

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. - Geottes/Kirk and Williams, Hans

10:15 a.m. - Humphrey, Merglewski

11:00 a.m. - Pace, Reed

1:30 p.m. - Lewis, Barker

2:15 p.m. - Ridsen, Sizemore

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - Hammerick, Wild

10:15 a.m. - Ayar, Pawlaczyk

11:00 a.m. - Costello, Jamison

1:30 p.m. - Bairski, Smith

Please help children to remember to wear warm clothes, hats, gloves, mittens, boots, scarves, etc. As usual students will also go out for their normal lunch recess as well as the Winterfest Event and may need additional clothing especially mittens.

We will also be asking to borrow plastic "saucer" type sleds for all students to use Please no metal sleds.

KINDERGARTEN MUSIC CONCERT-FEBRUARY 25 AND 26 - SEE SCHEDULE BELOW

Join us for our annual Kindergarten Music Concerts. Please see schedule below for date and time of your student's concert.

Kindergarten Concerts begin at 6:30

Tues. February 25th Session I Bairski, Ridsen, Lewis, Sizemore

Wed. February 26th Session II Smith, Wild, Barker

We ask that students arrive to check in with the classroom teacher at 6:15 p.m. Concerts begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Students will be given a special red "Class of 2032" shirt to wear at the concert. Please have students wear dark bottoms and comfortable close toed shoes.

WBHS BAND TRIVIA NIGHT - FEBRUARY 13. JOIN THE FUN!

**WEST BLOOMFIELD
BAND AND ORCHESTRA**

Invite You to a
**TRIVIA
NIGHT**
Fundraiser

THURSDAY FEB 13, 2020
6:00 - 8:30 PM
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 | TRIVIA GAMES BEGIN AT 6:30

THE LODGE GRILL & BAR
2812 ORCHARD LAKE ROAD | KEEGO HARBOR, MI 48320

TEAM OF 4-5: \$100	APPETIZERS ~ CASH BAR
INDIVIDUAL: \$25	SILENT AUCTION ~ 50/50 RAFFLE
	1ST, 2ND & 3RD PLACE TEAM PRIZES!

TICKETS: TRIVIANIGHTFORWBMUSIC.EVENTBRITE.COM
MORE INFO:
EMAIL: WBBANDS@GMAIL.COM
WEBSITE: WBBANDS.INFO

The Band Boosters Association of West Bloomfield and The West Bloomfield Orchestra Boosters are 501(c)(3) charitable organizations. Proceeds from this event benefit band and orchestra programs across the West Bloomfield school district.



CLASSROOM VALENTINES PARTIES

PTO and Gretchko room parents are busy planning our Valentine's parties. Each class will swap Valentines with other students in their class and enjoy a special PTO sponsored activity in class on **Thursday, February 13**. Please see the schedule below.

Classroom Valentine Parties

- 10:30 - First Grade
- 1:30 - Second Grade
- 2:45 - Kindergarten

CONGRATULATIONS - STAR SLIP WINNERS

The following student were drawn for the week of January 31st. Congratulation to the following good citizens: Dennis Vovk, Landen Myers, Raelyn Grandberry, Alex Renaud, Gloria Sinishtaj, Parker Kalish, Kady Hoffman, Jaleol Morton, Thea Rhodes, Alana Pryor, Abdul Bamarhool, Elliot Oddi, Austin Flory, Ben Frenkel, Lily Frangie, Emma Robrahn, Leon Anderson, Anthony Ortiz, Damien Mason, and Lucas Tillinger. We are very proud of all of our Gretchko Stars!

ART ROOM NEWS

We have been very busy this school year in the art room. several of our projects are on the walls throughout Gretchko. You may have seen some of the following while visiting Gretchko.

Kindergarten Plus- Pigs, polar bears, construction trucks and pigeons.

Kindergarten - Funky cats, construction trucks, scarecrows, and owls.

First Grade - Scarecrows, *Frida Catlo* cats, sun and moon, and wooly mammoth's.

Second Grade - sunsets, artist painting a mural, and color week eyes.

We are very proud of our Gretchko artists and enjoy displaying their artwork throughout the building. On **March 18** we will be having our annual **Science Fair**. On that day we will be giving our parents an opportunity to view and possibly purchase a beautiful piece of their student's framed artwork. I will need donations of paper grocery bags so I may place each student's artwork in a separate bag. If you are able to donate any paper grocery bags in the coming weeks that would be helpful! ***Tricia Takata, Gretchko Elementary's Art teacher.***

NEW ORDER FORM FOR GRETCHKO SPIRIT WEAR

Gretchko Spirit Wear Order Form

Gretchko Star Youth Options

T-Shirt — \$15

Please choose one:

- ☐ Gray ☐ Purple
____ Youth XS (2-4)
____ Youth S (5-7)
____ Youth M (8)
____ Youth L (10-12)



Zip up hoodie — \$25

Please choose one:

- ☐ Purple ☐ Navy Blue
____ Youth M (8)
____ Youth L (10-12)

Gretchko Star Adult Options

Unisex Gretchko T-Shirt — \$18

Please choose one: ☐ Gray

- ____ Adult S
____ Adult M
____ Adult L
____ Adult XL



Heavy camo

Unisex heavy camo zip up hoodies- \$40

- ____ Adult S
____ Adult M
____ Adult L
____ Adult XL

Women's Gretchko Star zip-up hoodie — \$40

Please choose one: ☐ Black ☐ Camo (New material)

- ____ Adult S
____ Adult M
____ Adult L
____ Adult XL



Light camo

Child's Name: _____

Child's Teacher: _____

Phone #: _____

Total quantity ordered _____

Total cost \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Gretchko PTO or send in cash

Any questions please email Tiffany Dooley Simmo162@gmail.com

**SPRING FLING COMES TO GRETCHKO - MARCH 6TH
5:30 - 7:30 P.M. PTO SPONSORED EVENT**

Gretchko Elementary Presents...



Spring Fling

Family Night Out!

Please join us for our Spring Fling Family event on Friday March 6th, 2020 from 5:30 – 7:30pm. We will be having a Magic Show for everyone's entertainment, games, activities, photo booth, DJ, dancing and airbrush tattoos! Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Please consider volunteering by returning the slip below to make this event the best yet! You may also volunteer at www.signupgenius.com and search my email address below to find the Spring Fling sign up.

We hope to see you there!

Please contact Erica Daenzer at edaenzer828@yahoo.com

Yes, I would love to volunteer for a shift (or 2!) below:

Name: _____ Email: _____

5:00-5:30pm _____ 5:30-6:00pm _____

6:00-6:30pm _____ 6:30-7:00pm _____

7:00-7:30pm _____ 7:30-8:00pm _____



Spring Fling Baked Goods Sale



We are having a Bake Sale at the **GRETCHKO Spring Fling on Friday, March 6th** and we need lots of nut-free items to make it a success!

If you would like to donate homemade (it's fun to bake with your kids!) or store-bought cookies, cupcakes, pastries, or other spring themed creations please fill out the information below and send it back in to school by **March 2nd** or go to <https://www.signupgenius.com> to sign up there!

(Search Erica Daenzer edaenzer828@yahoo.com on [signupgenius.com](https://www.signupgenius.com) as another option)

Please deliver your goodies in disposable containers.

****Please package the goodies individually for sale**

****Please include the ingredients due to food allergies**

****drop them off at Gretchko on the day of the Spring Fling prior to 4:00pm.**

If you have questions contact Erica Daenzer at edaenzer828@yahoo.com

Yes, I would like to bring in something for the Bake Sale!

Name: _____

Contact email or phone#: _____

Items I will donate: _____

YEARBOOK PHOTOS

We are in the process of working on this year's Gretchko Yearbook. We need your assistance with photos. We are looking for **group photos** of Gretchko stars involved in fun activities at school. If possible, please identify who is in the picture when submitting photos. (Student, Grade, & Teacher).

The **deadline** to submit photos to the yearbook staff is **February 25th**. Please email Brooke Kelso the images, with the name of the child, grade and teacher name. Please email brookejkelso@gmail.com or Lindsay O'Malley at linds.omalley@yahoo.com

CASINO NIGHT -FRIDAY FEBRUARY 7 - JOIN THE FUN!



The WBEF Casino Night 2020

***7 to 11 pm
Friday, February 7, 2020***

***Edgewood Country Club
8399 Commerce Rd Commerce, MI***

**Great Gaming, Great Food, Great Fun!!
And look at the prizes you can win!!**



Go to WBEF.org or buy your tickets at the door.

**Complimentary Valet Parking, so you don't even have to get
your feet wet!!**

T-SHIRT CONTEST- ALL STUDENTS

We are looking for a talented artist to be a part of West Bloomfield history. All students who attend West Bloomfield schools are invited to submit a design that will be featured on the 2020 Innovation Extravaganza t-shirt. You can find more information and specific requirements about the design contest in the attached flyer. **Designs must be completed and turned in by Friday, February 28th, 2020.** One winner will be selected. Please contact Danielle Capello (danielle.capello@wbsd.org) or Nicki Collins (nicole.collins@wbsd.org) with any questions!



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



COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASS AVAILABLE

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!

https://www.boxtops4education.com/-/media/GMI/boxtops4youreducation/CRC-Downloads/June_19/BTFE_Overview.ashx?la=en We still accept boxtops cut from products you purchase. We have a boxtop container in the front lobby.

FIT WITH FAMILY PHOTOS

Stop by to see the many pictures on display showing how our Gretchko Stars spend time getting fit with their family. Ms. Hubbard has on display many "Fit With Family" pictures outside the gymnasium. We want students to take action and be active outside of school with their families! We would like you to share your family's "being fit" photos. What type of pictures do we want on the wall? A group running picture, playing a sport as a family, dancing, or any other

type of physical activity! Who should be in the picture? Your student and one or more family members. Have your student bring the picture in to class on their P.E. day, they will share with the class what physical activity they did with their family, and Ms. Hubbard will put the photo up on the Fit With Family Wall. If you have any questions feel free to email her - emily.hubbard@wbsd.org

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

FEBRUARY

February 10 - Early Release

February 13 - Classroom Valentine Parties

10:30 - First Grade

1:30 - Second Grade

2:45 - Kindergarten

February 17 - 18 MID-WINTER BREAK

February - 24 Early Release

February 25 - Kindergarten Music Concert - **Session 1**

Bairski, Risdén, Lewis, Sizemore

February 26 - Kindergarten Music Concert - **Session II**

Smith, Wild, Barker

February 27 - Spirit Day (80's days) & Bagel sale - \$1.00 each

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 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 24 - **Second Grade Music Concert**

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 forget 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 - sally.drummond@wbsd.org

Kitrina Van Meter-principal's secretary email - kitrina.van-meter@wbsd.org

Suzanne Pokley-building secretary - email - suzanne.pokley@wbsd.org

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

GRETCHKO STARS

 5300 Greer Road, West Bloomfield Township, MI, U...

 (248)865-6570

 wbsd.org/Domain/12

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: Ufuoma Kaplan/Vanity Koop
Recording Secretary: Heather Aldrich
Co-Corresponding Secretary: Juliet Jozwick /Erica Daenzer
Board Advisor: Kelly Robrahn

