



May Newsletter

Friday, May 10, 2024

"Respect, Responsibility & Reaching for our Best"



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We acknowledge, recognize, and respect that we learn, work, and play, within the traditional territory of Kwanlin Dün First Nation and Ta'an Kwäch'än Council



☺ **Mrs. Ramsay's Remarks**

Here we are nearing the home stretch! It's hard to believe there are only 5 weeks left of school! It's nice to see the students enjoying the outdoors and the learning experiences that go along with warmer weather.



Exciting Things are happening at GMP!

- The sand on our playground has been refreshed! Thank you FNSB for new sand!
- Field trips – too many to list... great opportunities for the kids!
- Pet Lovers Club and Pokémon Club!
- After school clubs for Grade 2 and 3 students hosted by:
 - Yukon University
 - City of Whitehorse
- A new washer and dryer for the school!
- New splash pants and rain gear for students to use at school!
- A visit from Olympian Emily Nishikawa!
- Student Led Conferences!
- Support from FNSB Land and Language Coaches... Thank you Luke and Kailen!
- Artist in the school visits: Guzheng music classes with Ms. Mah and African Dancing with Ssasi!
- Free cookies from YFNED for Bear Witness Day 😊

I had the privilege of attending a literacy conference in Toronto with the First Nation School Board Literacy team at the end of April. I am excited to share my learning with GMP staff. Thank you to Acting Principals, Mrs. McDowell, Mrs. Coventry, and Ms. Frey who filled in during my absence.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call or come in to speak with me – my door is open and it is always better and easier to deal with a minor issue before it becomes a major problem. kim.ramsay@yukon.ca

Kim Ramsay
Principal

☺ **Bi-Weekly School wide assemblies**

We would love to have parents attend our school assemblies. You can expect to hear 2 school songs, students sharing what they are learning, and a 5-minute slide show showcasing our **AMAZING** students! These assemblies are about 20 minutes long. The next assembly will be on:

- Monday, May 12th at 11:30am in the gym
- Monday, May 27th at 11:30am in the gym

☺ **Transitions for the next school year**

Yukon schools are beginning to prepare for next year's classes. Please notify us at the school if your child will not be at Grey Mountain Primary for the next school year. Thank you!

☺ **School bus registration**

School bus registration is open now for the 2024-25 school year! Students must be registered every year for the school bus.

Families are encouraged to register their child by Friday, June 14 to help us plan effective school bus routes for next school year.

For information and to register visit yukon.ca/bus

☺ **Family Fun Night – Thursday, May 16th!**

Exciting News! Our Second Annual Family Fun Night!

- ✓ At the CGC from **5:30pm – 7:30pm**
- ✓ Play room
- ✓ Soccer Field
- ✓ Swimming Pool
- ✓ Snacks provided
- ✓ Field House – with a **bouncy castle** for GMP families only!



Best of all... this is all provided at No Cost to Families (including siblings).



☺ **Bike Bonanza**

Our annual Bike Bonanza day is **Tuesday, May 21st** from at 1pm. Students are encouraged to ride their bikes to school on this day. If children don't have a bike, we will have some to share. Please have your child bring their own helmet. There will be a variety of stations for students to try different things that build confidence and biking skills!

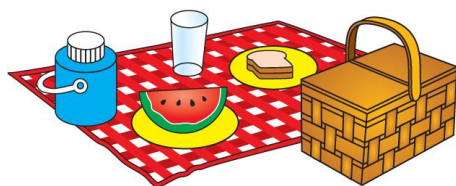
☺ **Sixth Annual Grey Mountain Gallop**

We are thrilled to host a fun run for young students at our school!

We have invited other schools to bring their Kindergarten to Grade 3 students to participate on:

Friday, June 7th at 1:00pm

All students are invited to run in a **costume**. Please join us! If you are able to be at a check-point along the way, please let us know by calling the school, 667-5189.



☺ **Save the Date! Family Picnic - Wednesday, June 5th**

The Annual Family Picnic and Grade 3 farewell celebration is Wednesday night, **June 5th at 5:00pm**. More details to come!

We will have some socializing, fun, and finish off the evening wishing the Grade 3 students farewell as they prepare to leave us for Grade 4 in other schools.

This event is for all Grey Mountain Primary School Families. Hope to see you all there!



☺ **School Website**

Our school website is at: gmp.yukonschools.ca

Here, you will find upcoming school events, and a variety of interesting nuggets of information. We will do our best to keep it updated regularly.



DATES TO REMEMBER FOR 2023-2024

Sunday, May 12 th	.....	Happy Mother's Day, Moms!
Monday, May 13 th	.....	School Assembly in the gym at 11:30am – parents welcome!
Monday, May 13 th	.....	Gymnastics Field Trip for Ms. Marks Grade 1/2 class
Tuesday, May 14 th	.....	Artist in the School – Breakdancing for all classes!
Wednesday, May 15 th	.....	Bike Skills with Terra Rider – Grade 1/2 and 2/3 class
Thursday, May 16 th	.....	Family Fun Night at the CGC at 5:30pm
Friday, May 17 th	.....	Dakhka Khwaan Dancers performing in the gym at 1:00pm
Monday, May 20 th	.....	Victoria Day – no school
Tuesday, May 21 st	.....	Bike Bonanza at 1:00pm
Wednesday, May 22 nd	.....	Kids of the Farm Field trip for Grade 2/3
Thursday, May 23 rd	.....	Kindergarten Orientation for students beginning in Aug 2024
Friday, May 24 th	.....	Grade 1 Field trip to Hidden Lakes
Monday, May 27 th	.....	School Assembly at 11:30am in the gym
Wednesday, May 29 th	.....	Retirement Celebration for Mrs. Bennett at 5:30pm – <i>stay tuned for details</i>
Thursday, May 30 th	.....	Grade 1 Field trip to Research Forest and Wildlife Preserve
Monday, June 3 rd	.....	Kids on the Farm Field Trip for Kinder (Mrs. McDowell), Gr 1 and Gr 1/2
Tuesday, June 4 th	.....	Running event at Golden Horn Elementary School for whole school
Wednesday, June 5 th	.....	Family Picnic and Grade 3 Farewell at 5:00pm
Friday, June 7 th	.....	Grey Mountain Gallop in the afternoon
Monday, June 10 th	.....	Aboriginal Sports Circle activities at GMP
Wednesday, June 12 th	.....	Whole School Field Trip to Kookatsoon Beach
Thursday, June 13 th	Last day of school for GMP (<i>note - most other schools end on June 14th</i>)
Friday, June 14 th	Summer Break Begins!

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