A cooperative school & home newsletter for the Grant School community

Grant School

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We are back from are break and hope that the Thanksgiving holiday found you and your families well. For the staff at Grant School, it was a time to reenergize and reflect on the school year thus far. We spent a lot of time catching up on work, catching up on time with our immediate families, and preparing for the stretch between Thanksgiving and the Winter Holiday Season.

Virtual classrooms are alive with stimulating activities to keep our students busy, actively engaged, and constantly learning new material while reinforcing skills already learned. The faculty and staff have a clear eye on the big picture during this period of remote instruction, and that is to make sure that our students receive the best possible education that we can provide. We could not do what we do without the support of the parents and families of Grant School. The hard work and perseverance of our families and community members has not gone unnoticed nor unappreciated.

The end of the first trimester is Friday, December 11. Parents, please be sure to go through child(ren)'s Classrooms to be certain that they are all caught up with work that is past due before the close of the trimester. All faculty is extremely flexible when it comes to due dates, but once marks close in our computer system, they cannot be re-opened. So make sure that all work that has been assigned by teachers is submitted before next Friday. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child(ren)'s teacher for clarification.

Covid-19 cases in Ridgefield Park continue to rise. This number is certain to go up in the upcoming weeks after Thanksgiving. As we approach the winter holidays, we must be careful and use our best judgement when thinking about how to handle any upcoming celebrations. Travel only when necessary and limit gatherings to immediate family members. In the event that you must travel to another state, please remember to quarantine. We desperately want to get our children back in school, but the only way to do so is if we get our numbers down from their current level(s). Constantly referencing the CDC website or the NJ Covid-19 hub (https://covid19.nj.gov/) can help make sense of restrictions, policies, procedures, and information on testing in the area.

The Grant School PTA is always looking for active and energetic members who share in the idea of making Grant School the best place that it can be for our children. Through fundraising activities, initiatives, and extracurricular activities we try to keep our Grant School Community connected while trying to improve both the in-school and out of school programs that are offered If you have not joined the PTA, check them out on the web.

PTA Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/937592259718027

PTA Membership Website: https://grantschool.new.memberhub.store/store

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday December 11 Trimester 1 Ends

Friday December 18 Report Cards Available to Parents

Wednesday December 23 12:30 pm dismissal for students and

staff

December 24 - January 1
School Closed for Winter Recess; Virtual Classes return January 4

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