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# Grant at a Glance

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Timothy T. Bruns, Principal

April 2009

## Notice to Parents: 2009 Summer School Fees Waived

Due to the latest notification from the Dept. of Public Instruction, all fees for the 2009 Summer School Program will be waived with the **exception** of the Swim program. Fees already collected will be automatically transferred to your student's lunch account on May 11, 2009. Any parent/guardian who has paid a fee and would rather have a refund must notify the building secretary by May 8, 2009.

## Nurse's Note:

As warm weather approaches, the chance that your child will be stung by a bee increases. If your child requires medication when stung, please contact our school nurse, Kris Dauenhauer 422-6196.

## Attendance

For the month of March, our student body achieved an overall 93% attendance level.

## *From the Desk of Mr. B.....*

April showers bring May flowers and also many end of the year activities for our learning community. Here are several significant events I would like to recognize.

\*This year, the week of April 19-25, has been dedicated as National Volunteer Week. The theme, "Celebrating People in Action", captures the meaning of the week by honoring individuals who dedicate themselves to taking action and solving problems in their communities. At Grant School, we are



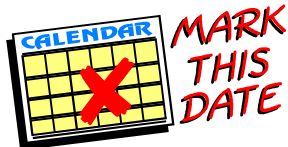
*Have a dandy-lion  
Of a day*

extremely fortunate to have a strong and active Parent Advisory Group lead by officers Esther Becker, Kelly Millner, Kelly Reinicke, and Dawn Lobner. Our school benefits from the hard work of these officers and school parents, classroom volunteers, coaches, field trip chaperones, Book Fair workers, yearbook supervisors, Scout or Brownie leaders, health screeners, fall festival and carnival workers, R.I.F. coordinators and birthday buddies helpers. I apologize if I missed anyone, but our list of supporters is very long. Thanks for all your hard work and effort. You make a great difference.

\*The staff is eager and excited to invite our parents, family and friends to our first annual Fine Arts Night. Our Fine Arts Night was created to dedicate an evening of arts for the learning community which includes pieces from the Physical Education, Art, and Music areas. The evening will feature Dance Revolution in the cafeteria beginning at 5:30 p.m. This program is a fun way to move with your student. Two separate music programs will be taking place. Grades kindergarten through third grade will present their talent beginning at 6:15 p.m., and our fourth through sixth grade will perform beginning at 7:00 p.m. Due to limited space, we ask that parents and guests attend only the concert that your child is in. Finally, student art work will be showcased in the gymnasium as well as the cafeteria for your viewing pleasure. Your student has been working hard to create a fun and memorable night for you. We hope to see you there!

\*Donuts with Dad was a great success on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars for Muffins with Mom on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, at 7:45 a.m. Come join us for an early morning treat!

\*The year is rapidly coming to a close. Please help our school staff keep the "learning light" on as long as possible by finding a healthy balance between the beginning of outdoor summer activities and school work. There is a lot of learning yet to take place. Our school year ends on June 10<sup>th</sup>.



April/May/June 2009

4/28 Market Day  
4/30 Fine Arts Night, 5:30  
5/01 Professional Day, no school for elementary students  
5/06 Muffins with Mom, 7:45  
5/07 String Festival  
5/13 Track meet, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>  
5/22 School Spirit Day  
5/25 Memorial Day, no school  
5/26 Market Day  
5/27 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Reader's Theater, 1:45  
5/28 Talent Show, 1:30  
6/09 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition  
6/10 Last day of school, dismissal at noon  
6/23 Market Day

If your employment status has changed and you no longer have health insurance, you might be eligible for BadgerCare. Visit [www.badgercareplus.org](http://www.badgercareplus.org) or call 1-800-362-3002 to find out about free or low-cost health care and nutrition benefits. You can also visit [www.access.wi.gov](http://www.access.wi.gov) to apply for nutrition benefits.

If you are not eligible for BadgerCare but need help paying for medication, contact the local American Red Cross at 423-7360. They are now offering the *YourRxCard* Program, a free prescription drug savings program to all Americans. You can also visit [www.familywise.com/](http://www.familywise.com/) to find out about the Family Wise prescription card, another free prescription drug savings program.

Assistance with eye exams and prescription glasses may also be available if you are not covered by BadgerCare or other health insurance. Contact your school nurse for more information about this program.

### Immunization Rule Changes

Last Year the Wisconsin Legislature passed several immunization rule changes. New requirements are aimed at preventing cases of pertussis (whooping cough) and chickenpox occurring among school-age children. These requirements include:

- **A Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis booster vaccine (TDaP) for students entering grade 6, 7, 9, 10 and 12 in Sept. 2009.** If your child had a Td (tetanus/diphtheria booster) in the last five years that did not include the pertussis vaccine, it is not necessary to get the TDaP at this time;
- **A second dose of the Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine for students entering grade K, 1, 6, 7 and 12 in Sept. 2009** (unless the child has already had chickenpox disease).

If you have children entering Kindergarten, Grade 1, 6, 7, 9, 10 or 12, please check their immunization records to determine if their immunizations are up to date with the change. Immunizations can be obtained from your child's health care provider or from the Wood County Health Department (421-8911). **Required immunizations should be received prior to the start of the school year.** Please notify the school nurse when immunizations are received.

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math League Contest

First Place tie:

Haylee Larson  
Nicholas Reber

Third Place tie:

Ashley Bauer  
Matt Provost

Fifth Place:

Logan Wimme

Runners-up:

Peri Carlson  
Katie Crotteau  
Holly Olson



**Congratulations!**

### We had a winner in the 2009 Wisconsin Federal Junior Duck Stamp Competition

Over 600 entries from 53 schools participated in this contest.

Logan Wimme, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at Grant, won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Grades 4-6 division.

**Congratulations Logan!!!**