

Grant Gazette

At Grant Elementary WE Learn the Way, To Know the Way, To Show the Way!

Grant Elementary School 425 West Upham Street Marshfield, WI 54449

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Newly Approved and Implemented Mathematics Curriculum

In May 2018 the School District of Marshfield approved a revised math curriculum. Curriculum is composed of four essential components including learning standards, instructional delivery, student and teacher resources and assessments.

The intent of this message is to introduce you to the adopted Kindergarten- 8th grade math resource called Eureka Math. Eureka was built around the core principle that students need to know more than just *what* works when solving a problem. They need to understand *why* it works. The new curriculum, including the Eureka Math, goes beyond facts and formulas, teaching students to think about math conceptually to build skills in solving everyday problems. For more information about Eureka, please visit the Eureka Math webpage. You will also see a link for "Parent" which allows you to create an account to learn even more. https://greatminds.org/math

Your involvement in your child's education can have a significant impact on his or her success in school. Although Eureka is not designed to create a lot of homework for students, The School District of Marshfield has created a parent friendly webpage to help you better understand what students are learning in the classroom. Here you will find *Eureka Math Parent Tip Sheets* that explain math strategies and provide key vocabulary, sample problems, and links to useful videos. <u>https://www.marshfieldschools.org/Page/754</u>

Eureka Math is new for most educators and parents in our school district. Please know your child's teacher

has been fully trained and will continue to receive coaching and training throughout this first few years of implementation. Do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher questions if you have them. We are excited to see how Eureka Math can assist math instruction throughout the schools.

Jeff Damrau Principal, Grant Elementary



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DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1— Friends from Afar arrive! October 2— 3F & 3E Field Trip to School Forest October 4-4H & 4P Field Trip to School Forest, 1B & IST Field Trip to Rock Ridge Orchard, Fire Department Presentation October 5— Fire Department Presentation, 1SZ & 1SK Field Trip to Rock Ridge Orchard October 9— 3B & 3G Field Trip to School Forest, Cribbage Club October 10-7:15 am Walk to School Event, 4:30 pm PTO Meeting October 11—"The Big Apple Crunch", Grade 2 Field Trip to School Forest October 15— NO SCHOOL October 16— Box top collection contest, Grade 4 Field Trip to School Forest, Cribbage Club October 18—Picture Retakes, 1SK Field Trip to New Visions Gallery October 22—Gr 4, Field Trip to Madison Capitol & Zoo October 23— Cribbage Club October 25— Halloween Party



Greetings!

Our school year is off to a great start! Grant Elementary School is super excited to host 13 students and 2 chaperones from Zhangjiagang Jiyang Experimental Primary School in Zhanjiang, China. The scheduled dates for their visit are Monday, October 1st to Wednesday, October 10th. The objective is for these students to gather knowledge and understanding of both American culture and the American education system. To do this, the students will be shadowing a student "buddy" attending Grant Elementary School. They will be attending classes and some scheduled evening activities with their American buddy.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Banser

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October is Walk to School Month at Grant Elementary!!

Please join us to help create safer routes for walking and bicycling and emphasize the importance of increasing physical activity among children.

<u>International Walk to School Day</u> is on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. Grant Elementary will join other Marshfield area public and parochial schools in celebrating this event. <u>Students will meet in the Mall parking lot at 7:15 am. We will take residential roads to Grant School.</u> Walk to School Day is organized by Marshfield Clinic Health System, the Healthy Lifestyles-Marshfield Area Coalition and Noon Rotary.

The Annual Walk/Bike to School Challenge takes place during the month of October. The City of Marshfield, as part of the Safe Routes to School program, will hold a walk/bike to school contest. Students in grades K-6 are encouraged to participate. Because of generous donations from Nasonville Dairy, Marshfield Clinic Health System, Draxler Transport, V&H Trucks, Inc., Cavu Landscaping, and Laura Schmitt Photography, students will have the chance to win a gift certificate (2 per school) towards the purchase of a new bike from the Sports Den plus other prizes (helmets and t-shirts).



Attention all 6th Grade Band and Orchestra Students/Parents! Our Monday After-School Rehearsals will begin on Monday, Oct. 22nd in the Marshfield High School Music Department. 6th Grade Band will be from 3:15-4:00 in the MHS Band Room, and 6th Grade Orchestra will be from 4:05-4:50 in the MHS Orchestra Room. To get to Monday rehearsals, all students are allowed to ride the bus from Grant to Marshfield High School, even if they aren't a normal bus rider. If your student is only in orchestra and would still like to ride the bus over from Grant after school, we will have an adult supervised room for them to do homework, practice, read, or just relax until 4:05. 5th Grade Orchestra/Beginner Orchestra will not start Monday After-School Rehearsals until Monday, Dec. 3rd.

Grant School Concert Dates

Monday, December 10th – Grant Gym 1:30-2:30 1st Grade Concert 6:30-7:30 3rd Grade Concert

Tuesday, December 11th-Grant Gym

1:30-2:30 Kindergarten

6:30-7:30 2nd Grade Concert

School doors will open ½ hour prior to the start of the concert.

Please visit our page at <u>https://</u> <u>www.marshfieldschools.org/</u> <u>domain/61</u> to find more Grant School news, view upcoming events, and to access the Grant School calendar link for up-to-date information!

GRRReat Students!

The following students have been leaders in LEARNING the way, to KNOW the way, to SHOW the way!

9.24.18 Ariana Hockhausen Bhavya Mekala Braden Hamm Cade Dahl **Christopher Pohl Daisy Pospyhalla** Elliana Clark **Evelyn Bradley Fallon Bremer** Isabel Wirthlin Isabella Kangas Jane Peterson Julia Lowe **Katelyn Becker** Kendra Warren Khloe Olson Lydia Dahl Madelyn Zalizniak Mischa Larson Natalie Delany Navaya Ostrander **Owen Kober** Shayna Carriveau Sophia Kayhart Sylvia Lee Vivian Wells **Xoey Bluth**

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Counselor's Corner

We all have feelings

The school year is off to a great start! Guidance has started for K-3 and 6th grade. In K-2 we have been talking about feelings, empathy, and showing compassion. The lessons help students identify words, learn definitions of new feeling words, recognize feelings in self and others, and understand that all feelings are okay. Through the lessons, we are able to see that we show feelings on our faces and through our body language.

In 3rd grade, students have started to learn about having a growth mindset. Growth mindset means that people believe their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work-brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. Virtually all great people have had these qualities.

6th grade students have started learning about Academic and Career Planning (ACP). They have begun using Career Cruising, which is a tool that allows your student to take different assessments, explore careers, and learn about educational opportunities beyond high school.

Emotional awareness: Why is it important?

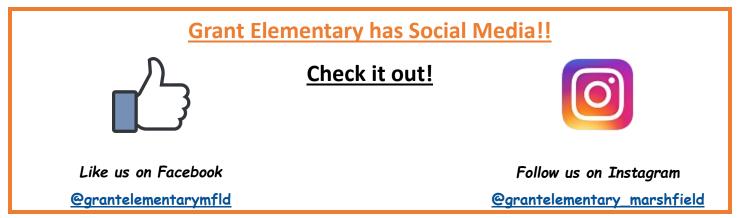
Children who are able to identify how they feel are often better able to communicate their needs. They are also more likely to understand the feelings of their friends, classmates, and the grown-ups in their lives. This builds empathy, a great life skill.

Helping your child build emotional awareness

Ask your child how he/she is feeling. Share how you are feeling. Be specific. Play feelings charades. Show your feelings on your face and body. Read stories with your child and talk about how the characters are feeling.

Try some of these books about feelings:

The Way I Feel by Janan Cain





BREAKFAST

OCTOBER 2018

Elementary

MEAL PRICES Breakfast Prices:	Paid (Elementary): \$1.35 Paid (MS/HS): \$1.45 Reduced: \$0.25 Adult/Seconds: \$2.00 Lunch Prices: Paid (Flementary): \$2.60	Paid (Middle School): \$2.75 Paid (High School): \$2.75 Paid (High School): \$2.90 Reduced: \$0.40 Adult/Seconds: \$3.55 Second Entrée: \$2.25 Milk: \$0.40	ICE COLD MILK OPTIONS: Fat Free White	Low Fat White Fat Free Chocolate •All Meals Include	All grain and bread products are 100% whole grain	
FRIDAY	 5 HOT Mini Pancakes Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk 	12 HOT Fruit Strudel100% Fruit JuiceFruit CupMilk	19 HOT Mini Cinni's Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk	26 HOT Breakfast Pizza Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk	HEALTHY HALLOWEEN CANDY ALTERNATIVES: <u>Non-Food</u> : Pencils, temporary tattoos, stickers, coloring books, crayons/markers, bubbles, plastic jewelry, glow- sticks. <u>Food</u> : Raisins, craisins, whole fruit, pretzels, whole grain crackers, etc.	n/pork listing
THURSDAY	 4 Nutri-Grain Bars Nasonville Dairy Cheese Fruit Cup Fresh Fruit Milk 	11 Cereal Bars Nasonville Dairy Cheese Fruit Cup Fresh Fruit Milk	18 Oatmeal Bar Nasonville Dairy Cheese Fruit Cup Fresh Fruit Milk	25 HOMEMADE COFFEECAKE Nasonville Dairy Cheese Fruit Cup Milk	HEALTHY HALLAWEEN Non-Food: Pencils, tempora books, crayons/markers, bu sticks. Food: Raisins, craisin grain crac	See website for a food allergen/pork listing
WEDNESDAY	 3 HOT Mini Waffles Raisins Fruit Cup Milk 	 10 Yogurt Parfait HOMEMADE GRANOLA Dried Cranberries Strawberries/Blueberries Milk 	17 HOT Omelet w Bread Raisins Fruit Cup Milk	 24 Yogurt Cup Teddy Grahams Dried Cranberries Fruit Cup Milk 	 31 HOT Oatmeal String Cheese Blueberries/Strawberries Milk 	Şee
TUESDAY	2 Zucchini Bread Slice Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk	9 Whole Grain Muffin String Cheese Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk	16 Berry Bread Slice Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk	 23 Whole Grain Cereal String Cheese Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk 	 30 Mini Cream Cheese Filled Bagels Fruit Cup 100% Fruit Juice Milk 	
MONDAY	 Breakfast Kit (includes cereal, crackers and 100% Juice) Fruit Cup Milk 	8 Breakfast Kit (includes cereal, crackers and 100% Juice) Fruit Cup Milk	15 NO SCHOOL	22 Breakfast Kit (includes cereal, crackers and 100% Juice) Fruit Cup Milk	29 Breakfast Kit (includes cereal, crackers and 100% Juice) Fruit Cup Milk	Farm to School

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Menus are subject to change.

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Elementary 8	FRIDAY	 Mini Corn Dogs Strawberries Mandarin Oranges 	Fresh Carrots Steamed Green Beans	 12 Hot Cheesy Sticks √ w/ Marinara Sauce Fresh Grapes Pineapple Cooked Carrots Fresh Broccoli 	 California Burger Strawberries Mixed Fruit Lettuce, Tomato, Onion Refried Beans 	26 Mini Sub w/ Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Grapes Fruit Salad Fresh Broccoli Baked Beans	FREE/REDUCED MEALS: If you would like to receive free or reduced priced meals, please complete a Free and Reduced meal application. One application will cover the entire household. You can also apply online under your Skyward Family Access account.	ens, carbohydrate counts, pork product scipes. www.marshfieldschools.org This institution is an ocural monodimity, provider
October 2018	THURSDAY	4 French Toast and Sausage "Maple Dude Maple Syrup" Applesauce	Mixed Fruit Garden Salad w/ Tomatoes Radishes	 BBQ Pork on a Bun Big Apple Crunch Day Apple Strawberries Garden Salad w/ Tomatoes Baked Beans 	 Hot Ham and Cheese Applesauce Pineapple Coleslaw Steamed Corm 	25Pancakes w/ Mini Smokies Orange Wedges Pears Garden Salad w/ Tomatoes Carrots Chocolate Pudding	FREE/REDUCED ME. receive free or reduced pric Free and Reduced meal ap will cover the entire houss online under your Skywar	See website for food allergens, carbohydrate counts, pork product list and all featured recipes. www.marshfieldschools.org This institution is an equal conductive consider
	WEDNESDAY	 Chicken Patty on a Bun Apple Slices Peaches 	Fresh Broccoli Garden Salad w/ Tomatoes	 Chicken Nuggets Oranges Pears Fresh Carrots Capri Vegetable Blend Orange Sorbet 	 17 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Breadsticks Apple Slices Peaches Garden Salad w/ Tomatoes Celery Sticks 	24 Fish Nuggets Apple Slices Mandarin Oranges Jicama Sticks Capri Vegetable Blend	BISpooky Halloween Nuggets Frightful Orange Wedges Ghostly Pineapple Creepy Carrots Boo-tiful Baked Beans	
LUNCH	TUESDAY	2 Hewitt Meat Hot Dog/Bun Orange Wedges Pears	Baked Beans Jicama Sticks	 Soft Shell Taco Fiesta Beans Applesauce Orange Wedges Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese 	16 Popcorn Chicken w/ Bread Orange Wedges Pears Fresh Broccoli Steamed Peas	23 Taco Salad w/ Bread Fiesta Beans Applesauce Orange Wedges Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese	30 Homemade Chili w/ Cornbread ⊕o Rock Ridge Fresh Apples Pears Garden Salad w/ Tomatoes Cucumbers	Meatless Entree Featured Recipe
	MONDAY	 Pepperoni Pizza Apple Slices Pineapple 	Fresh Carrots Steamed Corn	 Baked Potato w/ Ham & Cheese w/ T-Bun Hon Fresh Apple Dried Cranberries Hon Cucumbers Steamed Broccoli 		 22 Chicken Snack Wrap Apple Slices Peaches Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese Carrots V Blend Juice 	29 Cheeseburger on a Bun Orange Wedges Mixed Fruit Fresh Carrots Steamed Green Beans	Farm to School Meatle. Menus are subject to change.

Dress Code Reminders

Please review with your student the following excerpts from the Student Handbook. <u>Students who</u> <u>violate the guidelines of school</u>



attire will need to call home to have a parent bring in appropriate clothing.

- clothing should always completely cover the torso from above chest cleavage to <u>mid-thigh</u>; no midriffs showing
- clothing items such as backless tops, halter-tops, strapless tops, and tube tops are not allowed
- tank tops with approximately a 2-inch strap will be allowed
- shoes or sturdy sandals must be worn at all times <u>flip flops</u> <u>not allowed</u>

Have you moved? Has your phone number changed? Do you have a new job? Are you not attending public school in Marshfield next year?

If you can answer **YES** to any of the above questions, please be sure that you have provided your new information to the school office.

Nearly every day we have difficulty reaching a parent or guardian regarding a student illness, injury, etc., due to outdated information. It is extremely important that we have accurate parent/guardian information on file, as well as current emergency contact/pick up information in the event that we are unable to reach a parent/guardian.

Thank you for helping us keep your students safe!

Volunteering

Parents who would like to volunteer at the school in the classroom or for a field trip need to complete the volunteer application. These can be found on the district website in the family section. **Completed applications must be received in the school office at least 2 weeks prior to the scheduled event.**

Visits During School Hours

If you need to get a message to your student, or deliver something to your student during school hours, please call or stop in the office. Mrs. Lenz and Mrs. Heiman will make sure your request is processed. In order to preserve valuable instruction time, parents/ guardians are not allowed to proceed to classroom areas unless previous arrangements have been made at least 24 hours in advance with the classroom teacher. We appreciate your cooperation and support to ensure each child at Grant is receiving the highest quality education!

A reminder to parents/guardians/adults and community members:

Smoking, use of tobacco products and/or use of products such a e-cigarettes is not allowed on any school property. This includes inside your personal vehicles while on school property, in parking lots, in school driveways, drop-off areas, and so forth. Any adult doing so may be asked to extinguish and discard such products or leave school district property

immediately. Please assist us by abiding by this health and safety policy for our children, and thank you in advance for your cooperation.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT NURSES

As a new school year begins, we ask that you take the time to talk with your children's teachers, building principal, and the district nurse to alert them to any health problems your child may have. In the event that a health concern should arise during the school day, this allows school staff to anticipate the student's needs and gives parents the opportunity to share with school personnel those strategies that you know to be effective in handling any medical emergencies. In addition, be sure to indicate any medications, allergies, and restrictions in activity or diet that you feel are important.

Please keep school staff informed of any changes in your children's health status as well. We encourage parents to have an open line of communication with all those involved with your child during the school day. It is only with your help that we can do our best to ensure the safety of each student while they are in school.

Please do not hesitate to contact Judy Akin, RN,MS or Tammy Voss, RN, District Nurses at 389-6718 (Pager) if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child.

Dispensing Medication at School

The student handbook contains detailed information regarding the dispensing of medication at school, so we ask that you read this information very carefully.

We would like to highlight the fact that written authorization from a physician is required for prescription medications to be dispensed by school personnel. Also, parents <u>are required to</u> <u>bring the mediations to school Medication au-</u> <u>thorization forms are available at the school</u> <u>office.</u> Nonprescription medications <u>will only be</u> <u>dispensed upon written authorization from a par-</u> <u>ent or guardian.</u>

Please feel free to contact Mrs. Akin if you have any questions regarding the school district's medication policy.

Handbook & Newsletters Online

The Student Handbook and monthly newsletters are posted online. All parents will get a hard copy of the first newsletter, but after that you will receive an email alert to link to our online monthly newsletter

To access the Student Handbook and newsletters, go to the District website at: www.marshfieldschools.org

Put your cursor on the word "Schools" and then scroll down to Grant Elementary. Click on our school webpage and find the Handbook and monthly newsletters along the left hand side of the page. Just click on them to open them up and read online or run a hard copy for yourself. Please contact the office to request a hard copy of these items if you'd prefer one.

Drug & Weapon Free Zone

Parents, please talk to your children about what is and is not OK to bring to school. It is **not OK** to bring toy guns or knives, live or spent shells, or any other item that may remotely resemble a weapon. If a student realizes he/she has a knife, toy weapon, or anything that might resemble a weapon in their backpack, they MUST immediately tell their bus driver or adult ASAP and report to the office to have the item locked in a safe place until it can be retrieved by an adult.

This law also applies to adults carrying a knife or multi-use utility knife in a belt holder, purse, or pocket. Help keep our schools totally safe by leaving any potentially dangerous devices out of our school and off school grounds.

While the State of Wisconsin has passed a Concealed and Carry Law, restrictions to this apply while on school grounds. (It is **a felony** for a person to knowingly **possess** a **firearm** (concealed or otherwise) on the **grounds** of a school. *wis. Stat. §* 948.605(2)(a) unless you meet the criteria for exception under state law.)

Directory Data

The School Board has developed a policy regarding the dissemination of Student Directory Data. Student Directory Data refers to the following items: student name, address, phone number and the name of parents and/or guardians. If you wish to keep all or part of this information private, you need to contact the school office within 14 days to inform us of this.

We should point out that in the past we have not had requests for this type of information with the exception of names and addresses for articles or pictures that may have appeared in the News Herald. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this policy, please contact Mr. Damrau.

Student Nondiscrimination

The School District of Marshfield is an equal opportunity education institution and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, sex (including transgender status, change of sex or gender identity), or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability ("Protected Classes") in any of its student programs, activities, or employment practices.

To reference the full policy, please visit www.marshfieldschools.org. District policies (2260, 3122, 4122) can be found under District/ Board of Education/Policies.

For information regarding civil rights or grievance procedures, contact the Director of Student Services, Tracey Kelz at 1010 East 4th Street, Marshfield, WI 54449 (715-387-1101). For information regarding services, activities and facilities that are accessible to and usable by handicapped persons, contact Ron Sturomski, Director of Building and Grounds at 1010 East 4th Street, Marshfield, WI 54449 (715-387-1101).

Student Religious Accommodations

The School District of Marshfield will provide reasonable accommodation of a student's sincerely held religious beliefs with regard to examinations and other academic requirements.

PTO NEWS

October events

Marshfield Area WALK TO SCHOOL DAY - Wednesday Oct 10 - meet at the mall by 7:15am City of Marshfield Walk/Bike To School Challenge 10/1-10/31 - Win prizes, including a new bike, helmet and more! Submit your days of participation to your teacher to be eligible. If your child cannot walk or bike to school, they can report other physical activity to their teacher.

PTO meeting - Wed Oct 10th @ 4:30 @ Grant School

Halloween Party - Thurs 10/25 @ 4:30-7 Grant School

DJ with music and dancing, costume contest and DINNER (hot dogs and the Walking Dead Taco!) Raffle baskets (sponsored by K-3) with presales available

We will need parental volunteer help at the event for ticket sales and food sales and games - check out the online signup! This is not a chaperoned event - a parent or guardian must be present

Volunteer opportunities

Type the signup.com/go/D5HQKh link into your browser to see all the current volunteer opportunites Remember to submit your volunteer application yearly - forms in the office or online

HALLOWEEN PARTY HELP NEEDED!

- Set up, ticket sales, food sales, games and tear down - please help for an hour if you are able! **PTO FLYER COPIER NEEDED!**

- flyers go out the first and third Fridays of the month and the copies can be done on your own time. Sign up for one date or more if it fits in your schedule!

Its BOX TOP Submission time!! Oct 15-19

Boxtops 4 Education classroom competition

The classroom that brings in the most boxtops will win a classroom prize!! It is <u>super helpful</u> to have the boxtops counted and separated in groups of 50 (but not necessary). WE WILL ACCEPT EXPIRED BOXTOPS!!

Boxtops for Beanies

An INDIVIDUAL competition that runs with the classroom competition. Your boxtops WILL COUNT FOR BOTH. This contest also counts milk moola. The top boy and top girl per grade level that brings in the highest number wins a beanie baby from the trophy case. If you want to be a part of this individual contest please REMEMBER TO LABEL YOUR SUBMISSION WITH YOUR CHILDS NAME! Winners will be announced 10/26.

<u>Don't forget</u> about the BOXTOP app - bonus boxtops available EVERY DAY! These bonus boxtops won't count for contests but will help our school!!

These activities are not sponsored nor endorsed by the Marshfield School District or any of its schools. The district assumes no responsibility for the conduct during or safety of the activities. Marshfield School District shall be held harmless from any cause of action, claim, or petition filed in any court of administrative tribunal arising out of the distribution of these materials including attorney's fees and judgments or awards.