



The Grizzly Gazette



Jamie Alexander, Principal

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Our Mission Statement: To develop life-long learners and globally minded citizens by fostering the academic, creative, and social skills needed to achieve excellence in a multi-cultural environment."

Dear Greenbriar Families,

What an amazing first quarter. I am so proud of our students for their hard work and grateful for our amazing staff and wonderful parents. A special thank you to the parents and relatives that joined us for our 1st quarter Awards Program. It was wonderful to see the love and dedication you have for your children. Thank you for your continued support and teamwork daily at Greenbriar.

Thank you to every family member that attended parent/student/teacher conferences. It is imperative that we work together to ensure success for our amazing students. Thank you to the teachers who prepared and supported students as they led their own conferences.

A special thank you to our Dads Club for the Pumpkin Carving Party. It was exciting to see the faces of our student's light up as they carved pumpkins with their dads or other family male role models. Watch for other Dads Club activities throughout the year!

As second quarter begins, it is important that each student continues to read nightly at home for 25 minutes, as well as practice their math facts. Make sure and log onto lexiacore5.com and mobymax.com for extra practice at home. Don't forget to have your son/daughter complete their daily homework chart with their reading minutes and math fact work. It is important that each student FALLS into great habits!

Thanks again for ALL that you do and your dedication to our outstanding school!

Mrs. Alexander

Greenbriar Elementary's Proud Principal

Mobile Dentist Visits November 13 & 14

The Mobile Dentist is coming to Greenbriar Nov. 13 and 14. Students were given forms last month. All forms are due by November 6. Please include all necessary information. Only students with completed dental forms will be seen.

In other clinic news:

Nurse Stephens is in need of clothing for the clinic. With the winter months coming, both girls and boys items are needed, especially bottoms. Please donate any clean clothing at this time.

Questions and concerns for the clinic: 317-259-5445, ex 14402



Mark Calendars Now!

Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 20-24 No School!



Vacación del Día de Gracias
Nov. 20-24 No Hay Escuela

	NOVEMBER
2	EARLY RELEASE FOR STUDENTS, 2:15 PM
3	DONUTS WITH DADS, 7:30-8:15 AM
4	MSDWT BASH, SEE PAGE 3 FOR INFO
7	AT HOME LEARNING DAY, NO SCHOOL
10	VETERANS DAY PROGRAM, 9 AM WITH GRADE 4 MUSIC PROGRAM
13, 15	FINAL SESSIONS OF G.R.O.W. PROGRAM
17	MIDTERMS GO HOME
20-24	THANKSGIVING BREAK, NO SCHOOL
27	SCHOOL RESUMES, STUDENTS RETURN
	NOVIEMBRE
2	SALIDA TEMPRANO, ESTUDIANTES 2:15 PM
3	DONUTS CON PAPÁS, 7:30-8:15 AM
7	DÍA DE APRENDIZAJE EN CASA, NO ESCUELA
10	CEREMONIA DEL DIA DE LOS VETERANOS PRESENTACIÓN MUSICAL DEL 4o. GRADO
13, 15	ÚLTIMO DÍA DEL PROGRAMA GROW
17	REPORTE INTERNINO A VA A CASA
20-24	VACACIÓN DEL DIA DE GRACIAS NO HAY ESCUELA
27	REGRESO A LA ESCUELA



Donuts with Dads
Friday, November 3
7:30-8:15 a.m.

Mark your calendars for Donuts with Dads. Bring your father, grandfather, uncle, or other special friend and enjoy a donut together at Greenbriar!



Music Notes

Mrs. Perry

Grandparents Day was a great success!

Great job 2nd Grade! DVD orders have gone home.

Hand Bell Choir is going well for our 4th and 5th Grade students. Please check the calendar that was sent home to be sure you don't miss any rehearsals. Grade 4 is preparing for the Veterans Day Program, Friday, Nov. 10 at 9 am in the gym. A form is in this Gazette so that you may honor someone that has served in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard. Return forms to Mrs. Perry by Nov. 6. We will honor and present a respectful music tribute to Veterans along with a candle lighting ceremony, silent parade and dismissal.



Spotlight on New Staff Stars

Amy Niehaus ~ First Grade Teacher

I was born and raised in Zionsville and I have wanted to be a teacher since I was five. I even have a notebook that I started in first grade of things my teachers did that I liked and wanted to remember because my future students might also like it. I student taught at Orchard Park in Carmel and graduated in May from Ball State University.

Do you have a hobby or area of interest? Hiking, anything involving being outside, crafting, singing, dancing
What is your favorite: Favorites are really hard for me!

Book? *I Want My Hat Back*

Movie? I don't really have a favorite movie.

Song? I love Disney music!

Food/Restaurant? Any restaurant with gluten free pasta

Vacation? Caribbean Cruises

If you weren't in education, what other occupation would you choose? Something science related. I love chemistry and understanding how things work.
If you could have dinner with anyone, living or deceased, who would it be? I would love to talk to a person that lived in the 1800s and hear their perspective on things and how life really was for them.

Tell us something interesting about you that would surprise other Greenbriar staff? I have been to 21 of the 28 inhabited Caribbean Islands.



PTO HAPPENINGS

The 2017 Fall Scholastic Book Fair is "in the books" and it was one of our most successful with nearly 1,500 books purchased. Thank you to our volunteers for their help. Mining for Membership: Many thanks to the 140 parents, 217 students, and 53 staff members who raised almost \$1,100 for PTO. Funds will help fund activities and programs that benefit Greenbriar. Prizes will be awarded in November. Congratulations to the winners, and a **THANKS to Patty Hunter and Tracy Mount** for their help.

Yankee Candle orders will be ready for pick up mid November. Watch for details on the PTO Facebook page. Online sales continue until Jan. 11. Thanks to PTO Fundraising Chair, **Chyanne Lopez**, for her hard work. **G.R.O.W. after school programming** continues through the week of Nov. 13. Please remind your student to stay after school on Monday or Wednesday for their class.

Join us for **Skate Night at Skateland Nov 8, 5:30-8 pm.**

Wear your favorite neon colored clothes and glow sticks.

Mark calendars for **Nov. 16 at 6:30 pm, for the PTO General Meeting**, with guest speaker **Deanna Nibarger, Social and Emotional Behavior Coach for MSDWT**

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ART NEWS

Ms. James



November is a busy month in the art room! We will continue working on the elements and principles of art and finding new ways to express our ideas!

Have you seen some of your student's work from art class? Talking about their artwork is just as important as creating it. Ask them to describe their art. They will have a lot to say! Ask them how they created it and what part they liked the best.

Our Artistically Talented group went to the WonderLab in Bloomington in late October. We saw many new ways of connecting Science and Art.

Until next time, Grizzlies, keep drawing, keep practicing and keep expressing your best YOU!

AYS THANKSGIVING BREAK CAMP - SIGN UP NOW!

Gobble, gobble! School's out for the holiday week! What to do? Come to AYS!

AYS will offer Break Camp Monday - Wednesday of Thanksgiving week, Nov. 20-22, focusing on fun, making friends, and learning through experiences.

We are offering daily programming from 6:30 am - 6 pm during break at two locations, John Strange and Fox Hill. If you are not currently registered for AYS, you may still enroll for any of our camps. The early bird deadline is Nov. 6, 2017. For more information on how to register visit www.ayskids.org/thanksgiving



VOLUNTEER KEEPS PATRIOTIC GARDEN GOING!

Former student, Bailey Beiswanger, owner of Good Fellas Landscaping, donated his time working on our Famous and Historic Trees found in our Patriotic Garden. Did you know the trees are real descendants of trees located by events or homes of famous Americans? There are tree markers alongside the trees for you to follow. Check them out. One is propagated from an actual tree planted by George Washington at Mount Vernon.





The BASH 2017 auction is now LIVE!

Get your holiday shopping done tax free and have 100% of the proceeds going to support Washington Township Schools through grants and scholarships! Regardless of attendance at the BASH you can support Washington Township students by BASHING from home!

<http://www.wedoauctions.net/bash17>

We have INCREDIBLE things this year. From items you use every day like restaurant gift cards and oil changes to truly exceptional items like a Green Egg, concert tickets, travel experiences, and much more! You need not attend the BASH to win items so set your bids today! We will contact winners not in attendance the week following the event to coordinate pick up of items from the MSDWT Central Offices. New items are being added daily so keep visiting the site through November 4.

If you have not yet had a chance to register for the BASH we hope you will consider joining us on Saturday November 4 to help us celebrate "Washington Township Center Stage" at the Old National Center.

<https://app.etapestry.com/cart/WashingtonTownshipSchoolFou/default/index.php>

Veteran's Day Assembly/Candle Lighting *November 10, 2017 Greenbriar 9 a.m.*

Invite or honor a Veteran who has served in any branch of the United States Armed Forces during our ceremony. We will honor or remember your loved one by lighting a candle. Fill out the form below and return it to me via email or return it with your child to school by November 6, 2017.

For more information call Deb Perry, 317-259-5445, ext 14411.

Veteran's Day Assembly Candle Lighting Ceremony

Your Name _____

Name of honoree _____

Circle the branch of service:

Army Navy Air Force Marines Coast Guard

What Rank/Title? _____

What War/Combat Served? _____

If you have additional Veterans that you would like to honor, please duplicate this form as necessary. Thank you.

Día de los Veteranos Ceremoni y Asamblea *de Velas 10 de noviembre, 2017* *9 am Gimnasio de la Escuela Greenbriar*

Si hay un miembro de la familia que es veterano de una de nuestras Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos, avísenos y encenderemos una vela en su honor, aunque ustedes no puedan asistir a la ceremonia. Por favor llene la parte de abajo de esta forma y envíela de regreso antes viernes 6 de noviembre.

Corte esta parte y devuélvala a Greenbriar

Día de los Veteranos Forma de la Ceremonia y Asamblea

Su nombre: _____

Nombre de la persona nominada? _____

Qué Rama de las Fuerzas Armadas?

Army Navy Air Force Marines Coast Guard

Qué Rango/Título _____

En cuál Guerra/conflicto sirvió? _____

Si quisiera reconocer a otros veteranos que conocen, por favor duplique esta forma. Muchas gracias!



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