



New Glarus Elementary School



News and Views

March/April 2020

Think Spring!!

March Parent Teacher Conferences

4K families will have conferences with the **homeroom** teacher. 4K conferences will be March 16th and 19th.

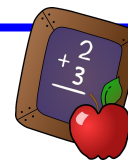
For kindergarten and 1st grade students, the March conference will also be with the **homeroom** teacher. These conferences will also be on March 12th and 19th.

For 2nd through 5th grade, March conferences will be with your child's **math** teacher. The planned date for math conferences is March 19th. This is an optional conference similar to the reading conferences in January.

All conferences will be scheduled through Family Access Conference Scheduler.



Math Night



Last school year, the elementary school began using a new math curriculum called Ready Math in several classrooms and grade levels. This year, the rest of building continued the implementation. If you have questions or would like to know more about Ready Math and how it works, we will be hosting a Math Night for parents on **Thursday, March 12th from 5:00-6:00** in the upper library. Please RSVP to Mrs. Eicher at laura.eicher@ngsd.k12.wi.us if you would like to attend so we know how many to plan for seating.

Happy Days, Happy Knights

The elementary school PBIS team is kicking off a Happy Campaign! We are looking for feedback on the things that make our staff and students happy to be Knights. As parents and families, we would also like to hear what makes you happy to be a Knight.

Stay tuned for how you can share your thoughts and ideas!
Here's what some of our students, and staff, had to say recently...

I am happy to be a Knight because....

my teachers care and they try to make a difference in my life. And my principal loves every single person in her school.
~Trinity S.

I have lots of friends at school.
~R. Heckman

when you come to school, there are really nice kids here, so you get to meet a friend really quickly. The teachers are really nice, and when it's Monday you get to do Mindful Monday and you get to have ice cream when you're Knight of the Month. ~Aliyah M.

we get to learn and see our teachers and friends. ~1B Homeroom

I can earn Knight cards and get prizes from them. The teachers are nice and I love learning new things. ~Charlotte C.

we get to have fun.
~ A. Thorton

people are kind to me.
~Ethan B.

there is always someone willing to help you out whenever you need it.
~Mrs. Arnett 2/3

because my teachers make me happy.
~B. McMannes

everyone is being a Knight.
~C. Carlson

our school is filled with kind and respectful students and staff that celebrate growth and success.
~Mrs. Brecklin

my friends are always happy to play with me.
~I. Muggenburg

on Mondays when come in we do the Pledge of Allegiance and Mindful Mondays. When I hear the voice, I feel like a Knight because I don't interrupt because I know if I interrupt that is not a Knight. ~Landen N.

the teachers are nice.
~Vivienne M.

I get to learn to read.
~ H. Kranz

my fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Vetterli, lets us sit on green yoga balls.
~Max U.

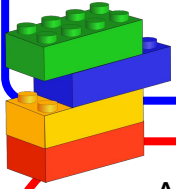
the students and staff at NGES are positive, kind, caring and fun!
~Mrs. Baker

I like Mindful Mondays because it makes me very calm so I can focus in class. ~Nyla H.

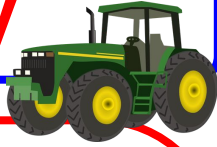
I can understand what we are learning about.
~Anthony B.

it makes everybody want to be happier and kinder, making New Glarus a better community.
~Donnie U.

I get to see my friends and have nice teachers and get to learn new things.
~M. Clark



Play Day



As students earn Knight cards for being respectful, responsible, and safe, Mrs. Vetterli's math class counts all the cards and keeps a running total for the school. When we reach designated levels, we have whole school celebrations. For earning a total of 12,000 Knight Cards (that's A LOT of Knight Cards!), we will have a **Play Day on March 20th**. Students can bring a toy (no electronics) to play with their friends. Way to go Knights!!



Happy Day/ Favorites

Keeping with theme of "Happy to be a Knight," we are going to wear favorite things that make us Happy during our last full week before Spring Break. Here's the plan:

3/23-Wear your favorite socks

3/24-Wear your favorite pjs

3/25-Wear your favorite team gear

3/26-Wear your favorite color

3/27-Wear your favorite Knights gear

Madison Reading Project

The Madison Reading Project is a nonprofit organization dedicated to collecting and selecting books that are exciting, engaging, and diverse for age levels from birth to teenagers. The group distributes books--no charge-- at various community locations where they can have the greatest impact helping kids who need support the most.

To support the Madison Reading Project, a group of 5th graders decided to partake in the MRP's annual READ(y) to Wear Paper Fashion Show and challenged themselves to make a dress(es) entirely out of paper. The design of the dress(es) was inspired by the heartwarming book, *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes* by Eleanor Coerr. Students utilize their lunch and recess time during the school day to create the pieces to the dresses made entirely out of newspaper along with over 1,000 paper cranes. They then took their designs to the red carpet in front of hundreds of MRP supporters and helped the Madison Reading Project raise \$38,000 for their organization.

Thank you to Mrs. Hansen for organizing the event with our 5th graders, and Mrs. Buol, for being an amazing model of their creations!



Knights of the Month

Below are our January and February Knights of the Month. Students in each homeroom choose a peer they feel is a great example of a Knight, a student who is respectful, responsible, and safe as well as someone who is kind, a good friend, helps others, and makes good choices.

Congratulations Knights!!



January Knights

Kip Miller - KB
Demarcus King - KW
Addison Francois - K/1L
Braden Pope - K/1R
Kaia Wirth - 1B
Avery Stamm - 1D
Parker Heitz - 1H
Meadow Yoraway - 2N
Hayden Segebrecht - 2M
Ethan Beal - 2/3A
Sedona Ojer - 2/3B
Lana Martin - 2/3S
Hope Latsch - 3A
Ashlyn Foster - 3P
Harrison Latsch - 4S
Nyla Huebler - 4V
Lauryn Arnett - 4/5M
Dora Kelly - 4/5S
Sophie Smith - 4/5E
Reese Speth - 5N
Riley Hoyer - 5B



February Knights

Rowan Garrity-Brooks - KB
Jasmine Dittberner - KW
Bentley Grunewald - K/1L
Anna Blewett - K/1R
Anya Morrison - 1B
Grayson Minter - 1D
Carter Stamm - 1H
Lena Nyhus - 2N
Elia Disch - 2M
Heidi Kranz - 2/3A
Jack Nyhus - 2/3B
Finn Jamison - 2/3S
Walter Kalstrup - 3A
Braden Goodness - 3P
Jonah Lutz - 4S
Maya Martinson - 4V
Tyse Hoesly - 4/5M
Bethany Dreyfus - 4/5S
Eloise Czerwonka - 4/5E
Kamryn Michels - 5N
Kalia Malaise - 5B

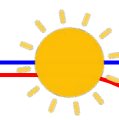
Concert Dates



**K-3 Spring Concert -
May 21st @ 7:00pm**

**4th-5th Grade Spring
Concert and Fifth Grade
Farewell -
June 8th @ 1:00pm**

Summer School 2020



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Two 2-week sessions will be:

June 22- July 227

July 20 - 30

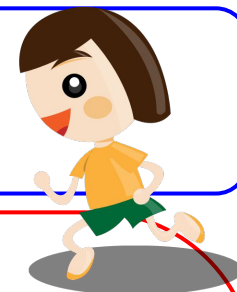
Camp Invention

July 13-17

Lunch and transportation will be available. Summer swimming lessons for both of the two 2-week sessions are also being planned.

The summer school booklet will be available by the end of March.

Girls on the Run



Girls on the Run is coming to New Glarus Elementary this spring!

Girls on the Run is an after-school program like no other!

Twice per week for 10 weeks, girls will have fun, make friends, increase their physical activity levels, and learn important life skills.

Trained and caring volunteer coaches lead 3rd – 5th grade girls through interactive lessons and running activities.

Practices will be held: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3:30-5:00 pm.

Spring program begins Tuesday, March 24th.

The 5K event will take place on Saturday, June 6th.

For more information and to register visit

www.girlsontherunscwi.org/Program-Registration or call 608-831-4687

Financial assistance is available.



Elementary Food Drive

The New Glarus Elementary School wrapped up the holiday season with a three week-long food drive, collecting 1,297 pounds of food for the Green Cares Food Pantry. The Holiday Food Drive collected boxed, bagged, and canned goods, as well as hygiene products. In addition to the Food Drive, Mrs. Kranz (K-5 art teacher) ran a project called “Frames for Food Art Show”.

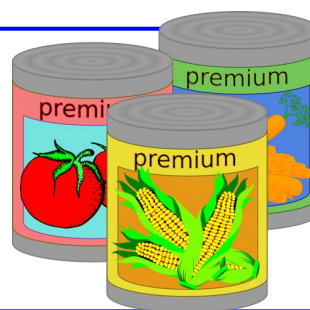
This fundraiser raised \$775, which was also donated to the Green Cares Food Pantry. On December 30th, 2019, Holiday Food Drive Coordinator Mrs. Wieser, Jeannie Blumer, a Green Cares Food Pantry Volunteer, Elementary School Art Teacher, Sarah Kranz, and two local high school students, Josh Wieser and Reis Weeden, met to transport the donated goods and money to the Green Cares Food Pantry.



Pictured from left to right: Josie Wieser, New Glarus Elementary Holiday Food Drive Coordinator, Jeannie Blumer, Green Cares Food Pantry Volunteer, Josh Wieser and Reis Weeden, New Glarus High School Students.



Pictured left to right: Sarah Kranz, New Glarus Elementary Art Teacher and Jeannie Blumer, Green Cares Food Pantry Volunteer.



January/February Highlights

Ag/FFA Day



Kids Heart Challenge



Knight Ball

Important Dates



March 2 - Dr. Seuss Read-In
Family Science Night in the MPR @ 5:30-7:00



March 3 - PTO Mtg. @ 6:30

March 5 - End of 2nd Trimester
Bedtime Stories 6:00-7:00



March 6 - No School for Students, Teacher Inservice

March 8 - Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 12 - K/1st Grade Parent Teacher Conferences
Ready Math Night @ 5:00-6:00



March 16 - 4K Parent Teacher Conferences
Board Mtg. @ 7:15

March 19 - 4K Parent Teacher Conferences
K/1st Grades Parent Teacher Conferences
2nd-5th Grades Math Parent Teacher Conferences
Parent Advocacy Team Mtg. @ 6:00-7:00

March 26 - 4th Grade Field Trip to Madison
5th Grade Field Trip to Chicago

March 29 - Chinese Acrobats Assembly

March 30 - April 3 - Spring Break

April 7 - PTO Mtg. @ 6:30

April 10 - Talent Show @ 8:30
Early Release @ Noon, No 4K Classes

April 13 - Board Mtg. @ 7:15

April 13-17 - Forward Exam for Grades 3-5

April 27 - No School for Students, Teacher Inservice

