



# Greenwich Elementary News

## May/June 2017

Dear Greenwich Elementary Families,

Welcome spring and long days of daylight! There is a significant increase in energy and involvement in outside activities once we hit this time of year. For your end of year planning, the **Field Day and Track Meet** information is found below:

**June 9 - Field Day for Grade 1 - 3**

**June 12 - Track Meet for Grade 6**

**June 13 - Track Meet for Grade 5**

**June 14 - Track Meet for Grade 4**

As a former teacher in the district, I am aware of all of the time and effort that goes into the planning and preparation and want to thank Mr. Brophy, Mrs. Townsend and Mr. McGuirk for this!

We plan to say goodbye to Mr. Rosen in June, for the purpose of retirement. He looks forward to more time with his family! Mr. Rosen will continue with **instrument recruitment** for incoming fourth grade students. This will allow for students to begin lessons in the fall, as in years past. Thank you to Mr. Rosen for beginning this elementary program years ago! This certainly supports all that students may choose to become involved with musically upon reaching Jr/Sr High.

As we wrap up the year at the elementary level, please know that much preparation happens behind the scenes. Sections at grade levels are the first adjustment. For the **2017-2018 school year**, we will have three first and third grade classes, and four classes at the kindergarten, second, fourth, fifth and sixth grade levels.

Enjoy the last weeks of school!

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### Upcoming Events

- 5/2-5/4 NYS Math Assessments
- 5/3 Puppet People– Jack & The Bean stalk– Kindergarten
- 5/5 3rd Grade Operation Egg Drop
- 5/8-5/12 Siri Allison– Paths to Peace-making 5th Grade
- 5/8 BOE Meeting
- 5/15 5th Grade to Hildene
- 5/15-5/19 Susan Trump Life Back Then 3rd Grade
- 5/16 Budget Vote & Election of BOE Member
- 5/16 2nd Grade Music Concert 1:30
- 5/17 1st Grade Music Concert 1:30
- 5/18 5th & 6th Grade Band/Choral Concert
- 5/19 Spirit Day– Tie Dye
- 5/19 6th Grade Cultural Arts Presentations (Jeff Bennett, James Gillespie & Elizabeth Huntley)
- 5/26 Morning Program 8:30
- 5/26 Supplementals Distributed
- 5/29 No School– Memorial Day
- 6/5 4th Grade NYS Science Assessment
- 6/6 5th Grade to Christ The King
- 6/9 Field Day Grade 1, 2, & 3. **Rain Date June 15th.**
- 6/12 BOE Meeting 6 PM
- 6/14 Flag Day Ceremony
- 6/19 6th Grade Moving Up Ceremony
- 6/21 Trimester 3 Report Cards Distributed

### **LIFT\$**

**LIFT\$ is back!!! Sign up will be June 10th and LIFT\$ will commence August 7th-14th. Details to follow.**

### PTSA CORNER

**Spring Fundraiser– Mixed Bag All orders due May 15th. Details to follow.**

**5/9 PTSA Meeting & Election of Officers**

## **Lola- Greenwich Elementary's Pup with a Purpose**

Greenwich Elementary's "Pup with a Purpose," Lola the Lioness, continues to work hard this spring, honing her skills in order to take her upcoming Therapy Dog International Test soon! In addition to her work in Miss Cianfarani's first grade, Mrs. Beane's reading groups, and Mrs. Kuzmich's speech and language therapy, she has been working on the playground, assisting students who might be feeling anxious, and even making us more comfortable at kindergarten screenings! Lola always has a way of making us feel a little happier, with a wag of her tail, be stopping for a pat or just being Lola! We are so glad that she is a part of our school community!

Please be sure and turn in all owed excuses to the office by the end of the year. All library books or library fines must be turned in or paid by the end of the year.

If you need to change your child's dismissal plans, please do so before 1:45 p.m. to avoid a last minute rush!



**SAVE THE DATE !!**

**6TH GRADE**

**MOVING UP CEREMONY!!!**

**JUNE 19, 2017**

**12:30 PM**

**HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORI-**

## **Library Media Center News**

The Greenwich Elementary Library invited local author, Apple Jordan, to work with fourth grade students, on the creative writing process. Ms. Jordan, the author of 75 children's books, is visiting with classes on Thursdays throughout the month of May.

By creating engaging, playful and fun activities, Ms. Jordan is prompting students to become more descriptive in their writing. By unit end, students will have written a story to share with the class.



## **Greenwich Teachers' Association News**

On March 22nd, incoming Kindergarteners and their parents were invited to "Ready, Set, Kindergarten." The evening began with a welcome by Elementary School Principal, Jen Mueller, while families enjoyed pizza, beverages and desserts provided by the Greenwich Teachers' Association.

Throughout the event, students had the opportunity to visit each of the Special Area classrooms while their parents listened to presentations given by Kindergarten, Academic Intervention Service Teachers, Administrators and the Director of the Greenwich Free Library.

The Greenwich Teachers' Association looks forward to welcoming these students to school in September.

