

May, 2010 Newsletter

Grayling Elementary School
Rated a Grade A School Two Years in a Row!



POPCORN!
Friday, May 7 & 21
50 cents per bag!



Melissa's Message

Your students are most likely talking to you about the growth they have made and evidenced through the **NWEA** spring assessments. Please know that this is only one assessment and we never base decisions on just one piece of data. Our students take several assessments and we do make decisions based on patterns in assessment results to better meet the needs of all of our students. If you have questions regarding NWEA, please ask your child's classroom teacher or give me a call. You may also visit the NWEA web

site at: <http://www.nwea.org/support/article/930>.

Summer School invitations will be sent home beginning the week of May 10th and will be due on May 25th. The summer school program is intended for students who are below grade level in either reading or mathematics and are most in need of additional instruction.

If you have questions about our school or would like to volunteer, please call me at 344-3600.

Melissa Stone

GES Dates to Remember 2009-10

Parent Input Forms Due
May 7, 2010

Jr. Deputy Graduation,
4th Grade only, May 20, 2:00

Picnic & Portfolio Day:
May 28th

Last day of School and 5th
Grade Graduation: June 10

May 18—Author Visit

The Devereaux Library has been gracious enough to include our students in a grant that they wrote in order to procure a visit from author Jeffrey Schatzer. He will be visiting our entire student body on May 18th at 9:00 a.m. Following this presentation, a drawing will be held where a classroom of students will win a special meeting with Mr. Schatzer and each will receive a signed copy of his most recent book, *Fires in the Wilderness*. We are grateful to the staff at Devereaux Library for including our students in this event.

GES Student, Mollie Leslie, is the Michigan Safety Patroller of the Year!

We are excited to announce that Mollie Leslie was chosen as the Safety Patroller of the Year for the State of Michigan. Miss Metzger, the Safety Patrol Supervisor nominated Mollie. Mollie then had to write an essay describing why she believes being a Safety Patroller is important. Mollie's outstanding essay was chosen and she and two family members travelled to Washington DC where she received her award and attended many special events. She tells us her favorite activity was a tour of the FBI headquarters. She truly is an outstanding young lady who demonstrates selflessness, compassion, and is always there to lend a hand to someone in need. Congratulations Mollie! We are all proud of you!

Rosetta Stone

If you have internet access, your child can continue their Rosetta Stone program throughout the summer! Ask them or their teacher about their log-in and password. It is a web-based program and will benefit your child by allowing them to continue to practice what they have learned throughout this school year.

Food is In When School is Out!

The Summer Food Service Program will be taking place again this summer! You can access these nutritious summer meals at no charge.

AuSable Primary Cafeteria- Mon-Fri: June 14-25 & Aug 16-20, 7:45—8:45 & 10:45—11:45. Sat: June 19 10:45-12:45.

GMS Cafeteria—Mon-Wed: June 28-30 7:45-8:15 & 11-1:00.

GHS, B-Wing— Mon-Fri: June 16-24 & Thurs: Sept 2, 11:30-12:00

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church— Mon-Thur: July 26-29, 5-6:00 p.m.



Mobile Food Bank

The Mobile Food Bank was a huge success last month and demonstrated the current need for this service in our community. A second mobile food bank will be held on May 20 beginning at 11:00 a.m. and continuing until all of the food is distributed. This distribution will take place in

the large parking lot at Grayling High School. Please do not arrive before 10:30 since this causes congestion in the parking lot. If you need further information, call Clyde Holzbauer at 344-3624. The food bank at Frederic School is still available

on Mondays 4-6:00 and will continue until May 24th. We hope to resume service again in the fall.

Writers of the Month for April!

The April Writers of the Month were treated to an ice cream social on May 3rd. The writers of the month were:

Third grade:

Ken Dutton, Amber Smith, Nick Hunter, Sabrina Junttila, Taylor Kent and Rachel Flowers.

Fourth Grade:

Jaden Gauthier, Ben Hetfield, Noah Shambarger, Ellie Carr and Denna Dunn.

Fifth Grade:

Jordan Jamison, Erin Prosser, Caleb Fenton, Ariel Collier, Theresa Gardiner and Eddie Burke.

New Immunization Requirements

The Health Department again contacted me since there have been very few parents who have called their doctor or health department regarding the new immunizations. The deadline for these immunizations is November but if everyone waits until that time the supply will not be sufficient to accommodate all of the students in our community.

The Var, MCV4 or MPSV4 and the Tdap are required for all students aged 11-18 changing school districts or enrolled in 6th grade.

Please see your physician or call the local health department for details. 344-7800