



Kitelet – News from the Director

February 2019

Dates to Remember

Thursday, March 11th

Curriculum Day

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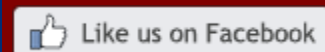
Monday, March 11th

Board Meeting - 7:30 PM

Thursday, March 14th

Square 1 Art Orders Due

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Dear GCS Families,

Just like this Kitelet, the influx of recent snow falls certainly came quite late into the winter season. Just when we thought we were out of the woods, the entire winter seems to have come all in one week's time... ugh! While not always welcomed by adults, the more the merrier for young children. They are surely excited about spending time trampling through the two feet of white stuff that now adorns our playground and covers our sledding hill. I do believe I heard that Punxsutawney Phil did, in fact, see his shadow, predicting an early spring (which is only 15 days ahead).

Parking Lot Safety

And speaking of cold weather and snow, a reminder to please use caution when driving through our parking lot. The amount of snow and large piles can make it difficult to see small children, especially with so many cars coming and going. A reminder that we purposely do not shovel pathways through the front snow piles, as little children cannot be seen and may dart out. While it is a bit longer walk, it is safer for all. Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe!

Registration

Next year's registration process for in-house families is still a work in progress. It is lengthy and complicated, and we do recognize that it can be stressful as the anticipated change in classrooms, teachers, peers, and schedules can be unsettling. This year placements were complicated by our

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plans to relocate to an alternate site, which had a slightly different blueprint and increased square footage. Now that our plans have us reverting back to our original site, the process is in the final stages with all in-house families having received their acceptance letters. Please reach out to me with question, comments, and concerns. While consistency is important for young children, embracing change and learning to adapt and adjust helps to deal with challenges in life. Helping children to experience something new is a vital skill in development, and it fosters creativity and divergent thinking to find multiple solutions.

Square 1 Art

Children's amazing samples of their "Square1 Art" are going home with your child. It is a fabulous opportunity to purchase beautiful keepsakes to cherish memories and preserve your child's artistic talent. Orders can be submitted in the designated box in the front hall or via this link: <https://shop.square1art.com/shop/>. All orders are due on Thursday, March 14th to arrive in time for Mother's Day. All proceeds go directly back into our GCS budget and help to close the tuition gap.

Thank You!

Thank you to Kim Liner, Laurel Shah & Selina Wilder for decorating our front entrance in February and to Kristyn MacInnis for March.

We'd like to thank the following volunteers who contributed refreshments for our Open House this past Sunday: Megan Black, Donna Haggerty, Cindi Lane-Hand, Kim Montilli, Mairead Orpen, Bethany Whitefield, and Megan Zocchi.

We'd also like to thank the Pugh family for their donation of curriculum materials.

A Final Note

With all of the fresh snow and cold weather surrounding us, jump on a sled with your child for a fund ride or enjoy a hot cup of hot chocolate with some marshmallows. It is all about making memories.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Kosinski".

Linda Kosinski, Director
Groton Community School