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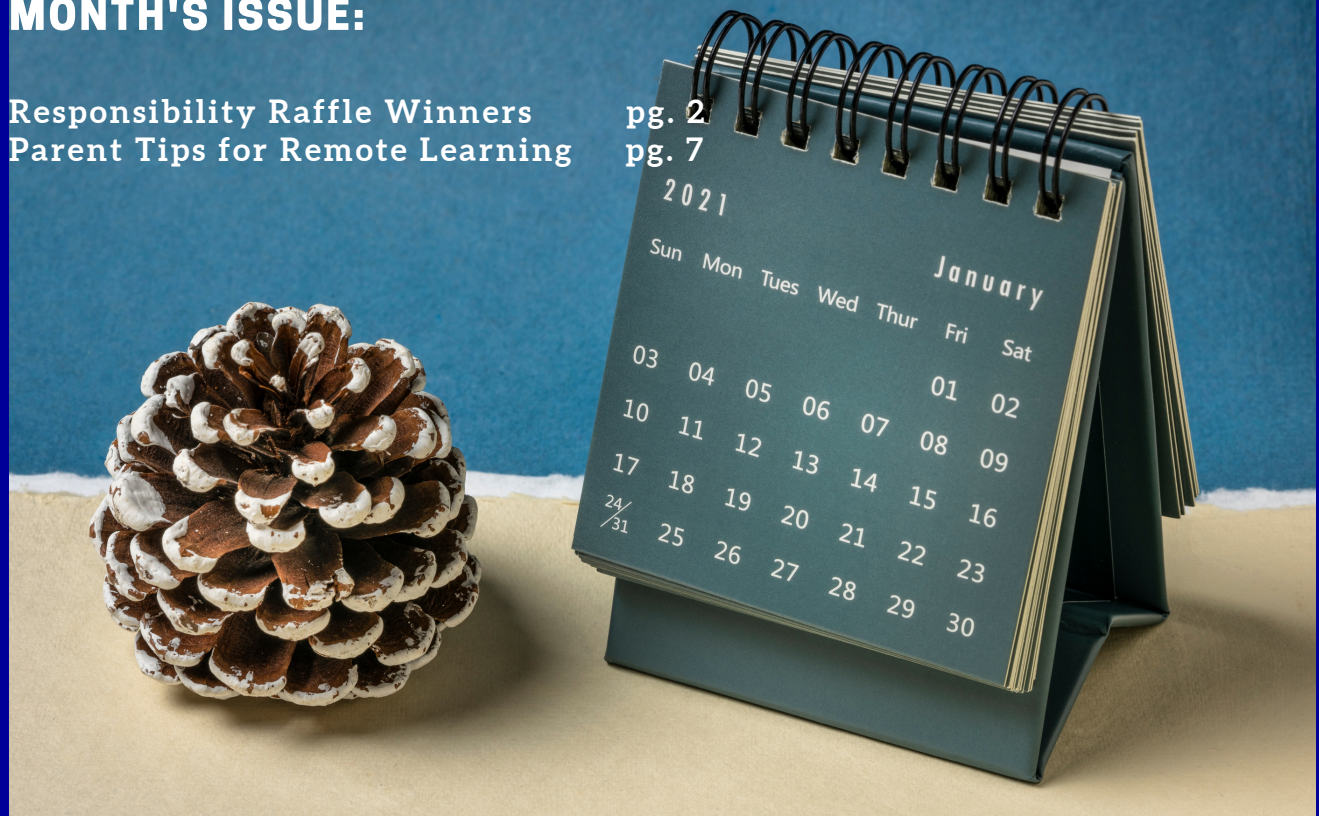
GLS NEWS

The official newsletter of Grass Lake School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to 2021! Wishing everyone a wonderful new year! With a new year comes a new chance to make new goals and to try our best in everything we do! Challenge yourself to write down goals for 2021 and do your best to make it happen!

Mrs. Plath



RESPONSIBILITY RAFFLE WINNERS!

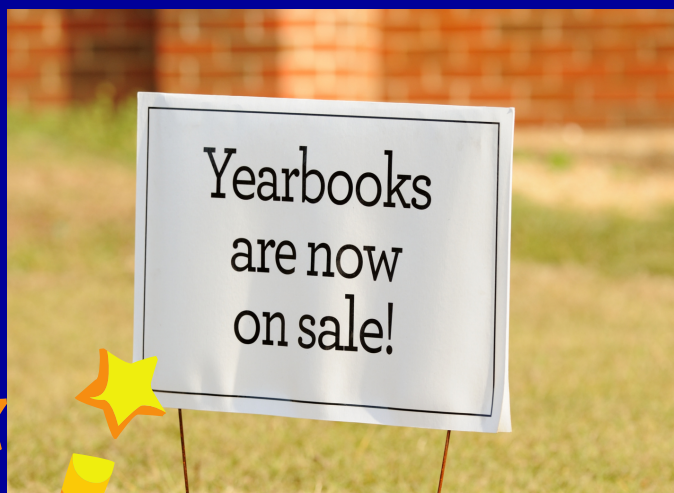
Each trimester, students in 5th - 8th grade have the opportunity to earn responsibility raffle tickets. At the end of each trimester the tickets are tallied and winners are selected! This year the winners of the responsibility raffle for trimester 1 are:



EACH STUDENT RECEIVED A \$5 CULVER'S GIFT CARD!

Congratulations!

YEARBOOK SALES ARE OPEN!



The holidays are over but yearbook sales ARE NOT! Click [HERE](#) to access information needed to order a yearbook for your child. This year, all families have the option of personalizing two pages of the yearbook that appear only in YOUR CHILD's yearbook! Don't delay **ORDER TODAY!**



LINUS BLANKETS

Grass Lake Student Council participated in making knotted fleece blankets for the Linus project. Students were able to make the blankets at home for hospitalized children in need.

Overall, the Student Council was able to make and donate over twenty blankets to the Linus Project.



REMOTE LEARNING 2.0 UPDATE

Remote learning will remain in place until January 11. Prior to January 11, Dr. Newby will inform GLS Families of our possible return to in-person instruction date if it is safe to do so.

KATTNER'S KINDERS



The kindergarten students enjoyed comparing gingerbread stories, but the big hit was researching, designing, and building our own gingerbread traps. LOOK WHAT WE CAUGHT!!!

GOT SNEAKERS?

The GLS environmental club is collecting shoes, of all types and sizes!

Shoes can be in any condition and style BUT they must be a pair!

Drop-off your shoe donations at the school during our next supply pick-up on January 7, 2021!

Drop-offs can also be made during regular school hours at the main office!



HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST WINNERS!

Back in October the K-4th graders participated in a Holiday Card Contest for an architectural firm in Chicago. Every year they do this contest with a different theme. This year's theme was "My Holiday Wish". All winners receive gift cards to Target and their drawing is used for the company holiday card. The GLS art students worked very hard on these cards and it showed! There were many Chicagoland schools that participated and 24 winners in total. I am excited to announce that Grass Lake School had seven winners! I am so proud of everyone that entered. All students did a great job and a special congratulations to all of our winners! We had two Gold Winners, Bella Poplar, and Jayden Mapson. Our Silver Winners were Natalie Ortiz, Nelly McSee, Brooklyn Michael, Lillie Swanson, and Solis Villapando. Please check out their drawings below and click [HERE](#) to view the company Christmas card. Way to go GLS art students!!!



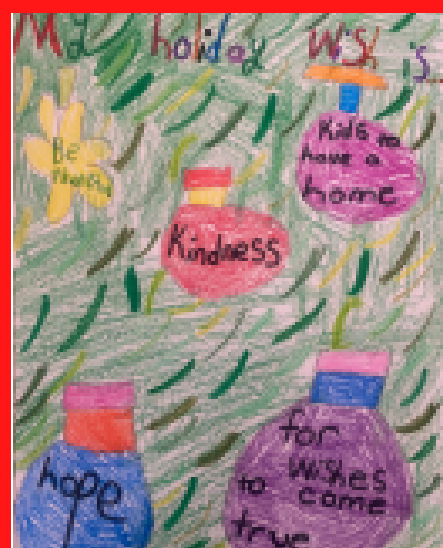
Bella P.



Jayden M.



Natalie O.



Brooklyn M.



Nelly M.



Lillie S.



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ETIQUETTE COUNTS!

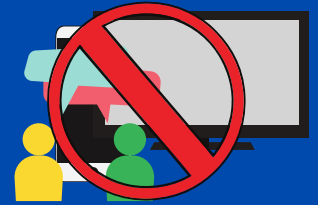
There are a few do's and don'ts when it comes to holding classes in a virtual setting. Some of these are the same as when we are meeting in person. Others are unique to the remote learning environment. Please review these do's and don'ts! And, remember **etiquette counts!**



Prepare your Space

Find a distraction-free learning space. This means...

- no electronics other than your GLS Chromebook (no cell phones, no tv, etc.)
- respectfully remind others that you are in class
- Gather all needed school supplies



Use Chat Appropriately

- When you have a question, type in the chat and wait for your teacher to call on you.
- When you want to make a contribution, but it is not your turn to talk, use the **raise-hand feature** and wait. Or, use the chat feature and wait.
- Do not hold conversations that do not relate to the topic of the lesson.



Respect Class Time

55 minutes

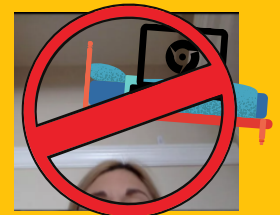
- Stay in the class for the whole period
- Use "passing period" for bathroom breaks
- Only eat during assigned times
- Have your supplies ready in a distraction free learning space



Stay Attentive



- Pay attention to your teacher or other students who are speaking.
- Sit where your Chromebook remains immobile (on a desk or table) and the camera is directed at your face.
- Look into the camera when talking



Wait for Permission



Your teacher will give you permission

- to share your screen
- to unmute your mic and talk
- to change any G-Meet settings
- to use emojis



Charge your Chromebook



- Keep your Chromebook charged
- Make sure the power cord is nearby **BEFORE** school starts



PARENT TIPS FOR REMOTE LEARNING

Making the most of the remote learning environment can be difficult. Here are five tips for parents that may help you support your student during their remote learning day.

- 1 Help your child establish and stick to a routine
- 2 Check in with your child's teacher
- 3 Encourage physical activity and exercise
- 4 Resist the urge to sit in on classes with your child
- 5 Take care of **YOU**

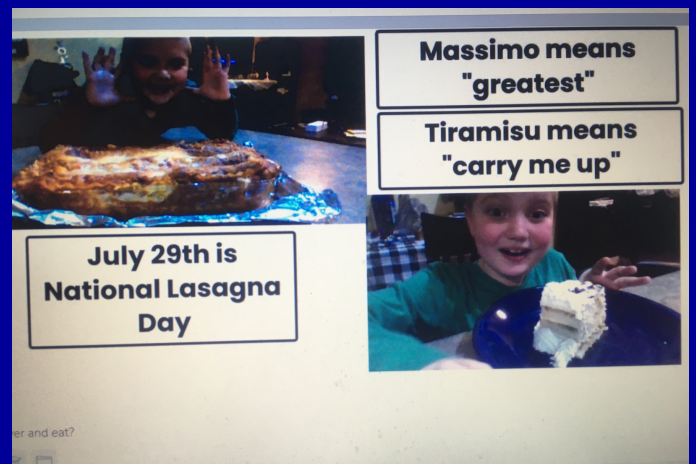


Click [HERE](#) for more information

REMOTE LEARNING ACTIVITIES



James Stone explains his poster to the class. He learned about the holidays in Mexico.



Wyatt Ludwig shared a video of making and enjoying some Italian dishes. His lasagna and Tiramisu look delicious!

REMOTE LIBRARY BOOK CHECK-OUT!



Did you know your student can check out library books from home? The library catalog can be accessed using the student's GLS Google Account username and password! Click [HERE](#) to watch a video that shows you how!



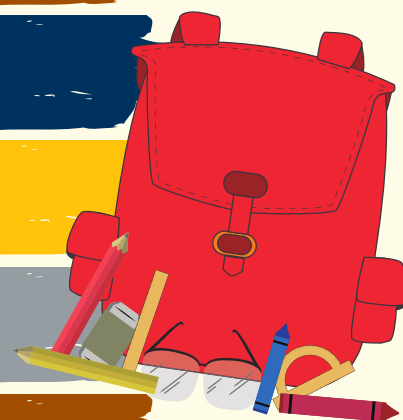
JINGLE ALL THE WAY THRU FUN!

A big THANK YOU to the GLS PTO for sponsoring the 2020 Jingle all the Way THRU event! Fun was had by ALL! Click [HERE](#) to see all the fun photos! To download photos from this event, click [HERE](#)!

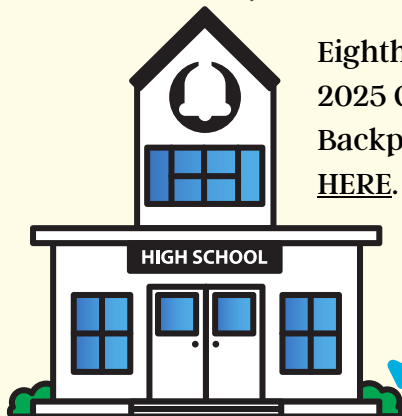


REMOTE STUDENT SUPPLY PICK-UP DATES

- 1 January 7
- 2 January 21
- 3 February 4
- 4 February 18
- 5 March 4
- 6 March 18
- 7 April 8
- 8 April 22
- 9 May 6
- 10 May 20



CLASS OF 2025 OPEN HOUSE NIGHT @ ACHS



Eighth grade students and families, please plan to virtually attend the ACHS Class of 2025 Open House event on January 14! Event details can be found in the Virtual Backpack on the school website. You can also access the information by clicking [HERE](#).