

GRAHAM PTA NEWSLETTER

April 23, 2018

UPCOMING DATES

April 23-26

Health and Nutrition Week

April 30

Restaurant Night
Potbelly's Naperville
5-8pm

May 7

Blessings in a Backpack
8am

May 7-11

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 10

PTA Meeting
9:30am MPR

May 11

Plant Sale Pickup Day

May 16

Skate Night
"Glow Night!"

May 25

Field Day

Our **Father/Son Night at Players Indoor Sports** had a wonderful turnout of over 100 dads and sons!! Thank you to all the families who were able to join us, and thank you to **Noelle Klinko** for organizing such a fabulous night out for our Graham boys. If you are at school, pictures from the evening have been posted on our foyer monitor. We hope our students and dads enjoyed their fun night out!

Last week was also our final **Reflections celebration** for Graham students that entered in this year's program. Congratulations to all of our participants! Thank you to **Sudha Murali** for organizing and running our Reflections program and ceremony this year!

REMINDER: Parents are invited to Graham's first Round Table Discussion between teachers and parents this **Friday, April 27th 9:30-10:30am**. This event is focused on creating open conversations between our Graham Teachers and Graham Families. We are looking for parents willing to engage in active conversation with our teachers during this hour that will help build our Graham Community and bridge communication between School and Home. **Please email Ms. Walton claudette_walton@ipsd.org or Emily Chen emilychen@gmail.com to RSVP for this event and add your name to our list. Since this is a no school day, we understand child care may be a concern for parents with younger students – we will have some accommodations available, so please let us know when you contact us.**

As always, thanks for reading!

Emily

HEALTH AND NUTRITION WEEK

April 23-26

Tuesday Twist

We'll start our day mindfully with yoga from an instructor from Twist Yoga!

Wednesday Wisdom

Students in Kindergarten through 2nd grade learn about healthy teeth from our new community dentist, Tic-Tac-Tooth.

Thursday Try It!

Wear Green Today! Bring a green vegetable from home to enjoy during lunch. We'll also be sharing a healthy apple with you today at school!

Questions, please email Beth Miller bwiltrout@yahoo.com

STAY CONNECTED!

Graham District Website:

<http://graham.ipsd.org/>

Graham PTA website:

<http://www.grahampta.org/>

PTA Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/grahampta/>

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Restaurant Night

April 30

Visit Potbelly on Showplace Drive, Naperville on April 30 between 5pm-8pm! Please bring in the attached flyer, show it on your phone, or mention it to the cashier and **25% proceeds will come back to Graham.** It's a wonderful way to enjoy a night out and support our school at the same time!

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK

May 7

Our last "Blessings in a Backpack" packing event is right around the corner! Please mark your calendars for **Monday, May 7th at 8am (a before school event.)** We will once again be packing food for the students at Olney Allen Elementary School who need food over the weekends. It is a great way for our students to help our community and make a lasting impact in the lives of others! We hope you can join us!

****PLEASE NOTE:** All students must be accompanied by an adult at the event. We will not accept students who are dropped off by themselves.

This is a parent and child event!
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0545aaaa22a6f94-blessings2> Questions, please email sarah.anderson05@yahoo.com

Plant Sale

Volunteers needed

Please help us on Friday, May 11th during the annual Graham Plant Sale. We need assistance organizing the delivered orders before school, and we also need help selling plants to new customers that day! Note that this is our scheduled delivery window and volunteering happens rain or shine!

For more information, please contact Tammi Anderson tanderson937@comcast.net or Patrycja Dolega kuleczka@yahoo.com. Thanks for giving your time to Graham! We appreciate you!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054eacaf28a6fd0-plant>

Share the Love!

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 7-11

Graham Students  Their Teachers!

It's time to Share the Love this Teacher Appreciation week! Our PTA has been busy planning a week to show our teachers just how much we appreciate them! We need your help - **Please consider donating items** to make our teacher luncheons and celebrations a success. Sign ups can be found here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054eacaf28a6fd0-teacher>

Donations can be dropped off the morning Monday, May 7th, or anytime prior if applicable. Any questions, please contact Erica Boose (expressionsoferica@yahoo.com) or Stephanie Melone (StephanieMelone@gmail.com).

Students are asked to participate in honoring their teachers this week, too. Our student schedule is as follows:

Monday: It's our last Blessings in a Backpack event! Please donate a toothbrush, tube of toothpaste, or floss in your teacher's honor. Bring it in to your class today! And join us 8:00 to pack bags if you can - Sign up here:

Tuesday: Share the Love writing assignment's due today - we'll be hanging them up in the hall, so make sure you write your name on your work!

Wednesday: Wear Red today!

Thursday: Graham Teachers perform numerous acts of kindness each day. Today, pass it on and do an Act of Kindness!

Friday: Shower your Teacher with Love! Today's the day to show your teacher how much you care. Consider making a card, buying a flower, or bringing in your teacher's favorite treats!

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