

GRAHAM PTA NEWSLETTER

April 30, 2018

UPCOMING DATES

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 18

Fifth Grade Picnic &
Graham-azing Race
(5th grade only)

May 25

Field Day

Graham's Health and Nutrition week at Graham was filled with wonderful events and activities! We would like to thank **BETH MILLER** for planning and organizing the week – it was such a success! We would also like to **thank our local companies MPG Fitness, TWIST Yoga, TIC-TAC-TOOTH, and CAPUTOS for donating their time and resources to enrich our program.** Please consider supporting these local companies as well the next time you are looking for services. Last but not least, **thank you to our Graham Teachers and Staff** for supporting our programs during the school day and working with us on scheduling!

We would also like to thank the parents who joined us on Friday for our first **Round Table Discussion** with Graham teachers and staff. **We had over a dozen parents sit with teachers and staff to discuss ideas on how to make our school more welcoming and how to improve the home-school connection.** It was a wonderful opportunity to collaborate with our teachers and share experiences and ideas!

As always, thanks for reading!

Emily

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).

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!

****Please save the date for our LAST restaurant night of the year: May 24th at MOD Pizza and TCBY!****

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

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>

5th Grade Parents Save The Date

The 5th Grade Farewell Picnic and Graham-azing race will take place on **May 18th, 1-2:30.** Please pack a lunch and come join your 5th grader for this fun event. Invitation will be going home with the students today. **Volunteers will be needed** to help set up/clean up and to help with the race.

Please click on the link to sign up.
<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0849a4ac29a7fa7-5thgrade>

Indian Prairie Parents Council School Supply Gift Card Drive

District 204 currently has 18 percent of its students qualifying for free or reduced lunch. This translates to more than 5,000 students. Purchasing school supplies so children are prepared for the school year can be particularly challenging for low-income families.

To address this problem, the Indian Prairie Parents Council (IPPC) is hosting a drive to support families who may need assistance when their children return to school in August. If you would like to help make a difference for these families, *please see the attached flyer!* Donations will be accepted from now until May 18.

LAST PTA MEETING!

May 10

Our last PTA meeting of the year (!!) will be on **Thursday, May 10 at 9:30am** in the MPR. The outgoing PTA board would like to invite all our **committee chairs and anyone who has volunteered at a PTA event** to join us! This will be an informal meeting and a chance to meet next year's PTA Board. We would also like to use this opportunity to say THANK YOU to everyone for helping us make this year a success for our school and students! We hope to see you there!

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