FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Hello James Gettys Families!

It’s been two months since I took over for retiring principal Lisa Royek. While I have met several parents and families during my first weeks here, I’d like to meet more. If you ever find yourself here at JGES, please make it a point to drop in the office and introduce yourself. Also, if you have any concerns or questions, please give me a call. I’d love to be able to help in any way possible. My contact information - phone 717-334-6254, option 5, ext 1232. Email – twells@gasd-pa.org.

If schedules don’t permit a school day visit, I encourage families to attend our school’s PTO meetings. Childcare is provided. Our PTO is an active group and like me, would welcome your involvement and support. Finally, parents, I want you to know that in my brief time here I have found the teachers and staff here to be a welcoming group of individuals that really care for our school, our students, and our families. I encourage you to keep the lines of communication open and stay connected with our teachers, staff, and school. Your support is critical to our students’ and our school’s success!

Mr. Wells

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DR. SEUSS!!

Marked up Monday- wear stripes
Tasty Tuesday- wear green for green eggs and ham
Wacky Wednesday-Grinch – wear your wackiest outfit
Thoughtless Thursday- crazy sock day
Favorite Hat Friday- wear your favorite hat

IMPORTANT DATES:

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CALLING ALL 5TH/6TH GRADE BOYS:

PA HOOPMASTERS WILL BE HOSTING BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

March 5th, 2020 5:30-7:00 pm & March 7th, 2020 9:00 – 10:00 am
Knights of Columbus
342 Main St.
McSherrystown, PA 17344
For more information contact Mike woods:
mwoods1065 @comcast.net

From the Health Room:

Spring is right around the corner! If you have started your Spring cleaning and have any gently used sweatpants/leggings that you would be willing to donate, the Health Room is always in need.
Despite the warmer temps we are still in flu season. Please keep your child home if they have a fever, vomiting, diarrhea or are showing any other signs of illness. If you have questions please don't hesitate to ask.
Health screenings (height, weight, vision and hearing) are underway. If your child fails the vision or hearing screen you will be contacted. At this time, you can find your child's results if they are completed in Family Access in Skyward.
There will no longer be a BMI letter sent home.
Happy Spring,
Mrs. Weikert

LOST AND FOUND:

Parents if your child is missing items Please have them check the lost and found located in the lobby.
Recently we held our monthly School Wide Positive Behavior Intervention & Support Assembly where we reviewed our STAR expectations.

For the month of March our focus expectation is: **T- Take Responsibility of Your Own Behavior.** As I work with students who have been referred to my office, I often have them reflect on this expectation and discuss how they can personally demonstrate this skill. Everyone at times make poor choices and our actions have consequences. Helping build character is how we respond when faced with the consequences of our actions, owning our behavior, and the importance of not trying to shift blame or make excuses. This can be a challenging task for young children, but an important life skill.

Along with our teachers and staff, I regularly review all the STAR expectations with our students. My hope is that our families will talk to their children about these expectations, and for the month of March, focus on the “T”. Your support is so important to the success of our students and school and is greatly appreciated!

Mr. Ted Wells
Principal

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We also honored several students who were recognized as this month’s Rising Stars and Shining Stars.

It was great to see so many students receive these honors! This month’s recipients are...

- Hope Roy
- Kayla Smith
- Brooklyn Murray
- Kendall Stanton
- Melanie Sanchez
- Frankie Rudy Escobar
- Greyson Grimmer
- Katie Adair
- Luke Adair
- Cooper Thurston
- Fiona Hanson
- Rachel Wessel
- Ellie Frey
- Haley Klunk
- Chase Lamer
- Dakota Sowers
- Calan Schiefer
- Zacharia Bortner
- Braya Conway
- Uriel Urbina-Flores
- Layla Hill
- Hunter Rentzel
- Liam Bridges
- Chloe Coyle
- Zamir Brantley
- Dedrick Bowman
- Madelyn Windell
- Aden Reichart
- Anthony Stowe
- Dexter Walker
- Kolsyn Cleckner
- Tristan Jordan
- Jedidiah Lang
- Juan Corona
- RJ Niner
- Fallon Jackson
- Kuriana Johnson
Counselor’s Corner

James Gettys Elementary needs you!

WHEN: Friday, May 15, 2020 from 9:00 to 10:30am

WHO: We are in need of volunteers who are willing to present information about their careers with 3–5th graders.

WHAT: Presenters have 20 minutes to share: important aspects of their job; training and/or education needed for their job; how good character and self-control help them succeed in their career; and how they use reading, writing, math, and science in their jobs. This presentation will be given to three different groups of students who have chosen to hear about the presenters’ careers.

WHY: Not only do students benefit from expanding their awareness of the many possibilities the world of work offers, but students also can increase sense of purpose and motivation regarding their academic and personal/social development when they solidify the connection between their current school life and future success in a field of work that interests them.

HOW? You can sign up by filling out the form below, emailing the requested information to Mr. Hogg, or online at https://forms.gle/MnS3tdZKjWVR2RbE7

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James Gettys Elementary career day

PRESENTER NAME: ____________________________ JOB TITLE: ______________________

HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOUR JOB TO A 9 OR 10-YEAR-OLD?

________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS: __________________________ PHONE NUMBER: __________________

We will try our best to accommodate the physical space requests that would best suit your presentation. Possible locations would be: classrooms, outdoors, cafeteria and the gym. Technology resources are also available.

What do you need for your presentation? __________________________________________

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO JAMES GETTYS’ MAIN OFFICE, OR EMAIL THE REQUESTED INFORMATION ABOVE, OR SIGN UP AT https://goo.gl/forms/GzAFpK1QT0GlacPc2

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(717) 334-6254, #5, ext. 1640  ❖  ghogg@gasd-pa.org
Dear Parents:

- Looking for a way to get more involved in your child’s school?
- Looking for a way to work with a small group of children?
- Do you have a special talent or skill you could share with children?

Then ASAP is the program for you!

ASAP is an after-school activities program designed to provide Gettysburg School District students in Grades 3-5 with exploratory, enrichment and remediation opportunities. These opportunities will address the social, emotional, academic, physical and aesthetic areas of child development. ASAP activities will promote the development of positive attitudes in the students in order for them to become contributing members of our community.

*Volunteer instructors are needed and necessary to organize, instruct, and supervise a variety of activities for Gettysburg School District students for the Spring Session, running Tuesdays, 3:15-5:00pm, Mar. 17th through April 21st. Facilities will be available for use by instructors to provide a variety of settings, such as kitchen, gym, classrooms, computers, library, stage and grounds. Instructors will be provided with resources and materials such as TV, DVD, video camera, computers, kitchen utensils, etc. The ASAP coordinator will offer support and assistance.

**Activities should be one of the following types:**

- **Exploratory** – provide students with opportunities to discover new things about the world in which they live
- **Enrichment** – enhance students' knowledge in a particular area of study
- **Remediation** – students will be given the opportunity to receive additional support in a particular area of study

**Possible program activities:** tutoring, pottery, computer, gardening, board games, foreign language, science, drama, sports, dance, cooking, Civil War, music, arts & crafts, ceramics, school store, environment and diversity. The list is unending.

**Instructors’ Requirements:**

1. Obtain volunteer clearances*
2. Complete ASAP Proposal Form*
3. Prepare a plan for each activity period
4. Keep students actively involved
5. Engage students in age-appropriate activities
6. Begin and end each activity period promptly

Please reach out to Mr. Hogg, ASAP coordinator, for further information and/or expressing interest in helping with this program. He can be contacted at 717-334-6254, opt. 5, ext. 1640 or at ghogg@gasd-pa.org

*Pertinent forms will be shared upon expressing interest to move forward