

## LUCKY'S LEGEND

"Leading, Learning, and Growing...TOGETHER"

January 2024

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Dear Green Gables Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back! We trust this newsletter finds you refreshed and ready to dive into the exciting opportunities awaiting us in the second semester.



### Regrounding in GOLD and Habits of Character:

As we return to the school routine, we are excited to re-emphasize our commitment to the Green Gables GOLD PBIS framework (Giving Respect, Offering Kindness, Listening and Learning, and Demonstrating Safety) as we re-teach expectations and ensure we continue to foster an inclusive and safe learning environment for all. We will also continue our work anchoring to The Habits of Character.

### **Enrollment/Budget:**

January is when our enrollment and budgeting for next school year come into full swing. Enrollment and budget go hand in hand and you can support us in our work by ensuring you complete round one enrollment for your students (even if you are planning to stay with us here at Green Gables). In January, you will receive a family input survey regarding our school budget and priorities for the next year.

#### Mid-Year Data:

We will be hosting our first family night grounded in data on January 17th beginning at 5:30. This event is designed to deepen family understanding of the assessments we utilize and dig into your own individual students' data. Additionally, we will be highlighting areas of strength and areas of opportunity in our schoolwide data.

### **Gratitude for Your Partnership:**

We extend our heartfelt gratitude for your continued partnership and support. Your involvement in your child's education is invaluable. Together, we can create a nurturing and empowering environment for every student at Green Gables.

Warm regards, Jenn Withee Principal, Green Gables Elementary

# Green Gables School Website click HERE

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January 1st & 2nd NO SCHOOL-WINTER BREAK

January 3rd – 5th NO SCHOOL – Professional Learning

**Days for Staff** 

January 8th Students Return

January 9th PTA Meeting 5:30pm in the Library

January 10th Coffee With Kinder Teachers For New

Families 9:30am in the Cafeteria

January 12th 1st Round of Choice Enrollment Ends

January 15th NO SCHOOL- Martin Luther King Day

January 17th Data Info Night 5:30pm

January 18th Round 2 Begins For Choice Enrollment

January 19th Kids Heart Challenge Begins

January 22nd PTA Skate City Fundraiser 5-7pm

January 23rd Round 1 Enrollment Offers Begin

January 24th 1st Grade Arvada Center Field Trip

9:15am-1:45pm

January 25th School Circle 8:10am in the Gym

(Families Will Be Invited Via Email)

School Spelling Bee 1:15pm in the

Library

January 30th PTA's Family Math Night 6:00-7:30pm



### **ENROLLJEFFCO REMINDERS**

- ALL Green Gables Families need to log in at <a href="www.enrolljeffco.org">www.enrolljeffco.org</a> using their same username and password for Campus Parent Portal to indicate their enrollment plans for the 2024-2025 school year.
- By letting us know if you are coming back or not, we are able to start planning for the next school year in terms of budget and staffing.
- Please note that if you have a 5th grade student who is choice enrolled at Green Gables, you are NOT guaranteed enrollment at Carmody Middle School and must apply for choice enrollment.



### 2024-25 School Year Enrollment Round one closes January 12







### KIDS HEART CHALLENGE JANUARY 19TH THROUGH FEBRUARY 16TH

Dear Green Gables Families,

Ready for a life-changing mission? Grab your family and join us in learning Hands-only CPR through the Kids Heart Challenge and crush our goal of having 100 students join online for the American Heart Association!

How to get started? Download the app for <u>iPhone</u> or <u>Android</u>, or <u>click here</u> to register online! From there, AHA Ambassador Finn will be your guide. Conquer Finn's Mission with your family!

Our School Challenge: Every student who raises \$200 will get to WATER BALLOON Mrs. Miner! Also, the class with the most students to earn the Hands-Only CPR Badge in Finn's Mission will get a Free Choice Day in PE!

Exciting news: NFL and AHA have teamed up, offering a chance to WIN TICKETS TO SUPERBOWL '25! EVERY STUDENT who completes Finn's Mission will be entered into a regional sweepstakes to win <a href="https://www.two.com/www.com/ww.com/ww.com/ww.com/ww.com/ww.com/ww.com/ww.com/ww.c

### Why does it matter?

Heart Disease is the leading cause of death in America and is 80% preventable. We want to empower families to take charge of their heart health.

I am excited to inform you that we will be able to participate in the Kids Heart Challenge (formally known as Jump Rope for Heart) this school year. The event will start on 1/19 and will continue through 2/16. Please be on the lookout for more information as we get closer to the Kickoff.

I am excited about what the American Heart Association has done for our students. If questions arise please do not hesitate to email me at Elizabeth. Miner@jeffco.k12.co.us







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### SPELLING BEE



Students in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> will all participate in a classroom Spelling Bee during the first week back at school. The top three spellers from each classroom will



qualify for the School Spelling Bee on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm in the Library. Those names will be announced over the intercom in the afternoon on Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. Students will be given a permission slip to take home, get signed, and brought back to the office. Then they will be given a packet of words to study ahead of the School Spelling Bee. For questions please reach out to Jennifer.Seltz@jeffco.k12.co.us.



There has been a recent rise in Colorado of varicella cases (commonly known as chickenpox), a highly contagious febrile rash illness caused by the varicella-zoster virus. As of November 13, a total of 405 sick individuals have been reported in Colorado this year so far, compared to 135 cases reported in 2022.

The state of Colorado recommends all students to be up-to-date on immunizations to prevent community spread of vaccine-preventable illnesses. If you have been contacted by the school to update your child's vaccine records, reach out to your primary care's office to bring your child up-to-date, and update the Health Aide, Anna Le and the District Nurse, Annie Nolan with any new records.

We appreciate everything that you do to keep our school community healthy.



### WINTER DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP RESOURCE

Dear Families.

The winter season brings cooler weather, often a dusting of snow and the chance to spend more time indoors. This is the perfect opportunity to engage in conversations around digital wellness. Our district partners at Common Sense Education continue to



provide schools and families with resources to grow healthy habits and skills needed to use technology safely and responsibly in school, at home, and beyond.

Throughout the year we spotlight digital citizenship themes and topics for our schools and families to engage in through conversations and learning opportunities. We invite you to explore these topics each season with us or visit www.commonsensemedia.com to support the needs of your student(s) and family.

Year At A Glance								
	Beginning of Year (August)	Fall (September - October)		Winter (November - January)		Spring (February - April)		End Of Year (May
Theme	Community Member We are responsible digital learners.	Empowered Learner We are kind, courageous, and empowered. We define who we are.		Problem Solver We are critical thinkers, creators and problem solvers. We care about everyone's privacy.		Communicator We find balance in our digital lives. We know the power of words and actions.		Community Member We are responsible digital learners.
Topic	Device care (Wellness Check)	Digital Footprint & Identity	Cyberbullying , Digital Drama & Hate Speech	News & Media Literacy	Privacy & Security	Media Balance & Well-Being	Relationships & Communication	Device Care (Wellness Check)
Guiding Questions	How do I care for my device as a tool for learning?	How can I cultivate my digital identity in ways that are responsible and empowering?	How can I connect positively, treat others respectfully, and create a culture of kindness?	How can I be a critical consumer and creator of news and media?	How can I keep my personal data safe and secure?	How can we help students use media in healthy ways?	How can I communicate effectively and positively to build relationships?	How do I care for my device as a tool for learning?

### **Family Resources**

#### **Media Literacy Tips Sheet**

**Privacy & Security Tips Sheet** 

We care about

everyone's privacy

Grades K-5 English, Spanish

Grades 6-12 English, Spanish

we are critical

Grades K-5 English, Spanish

Grades 6-12 English, Spanish

**Discussion Question for School and Home:** How

can I be a critical consumer and creator of news and media?

**Discussion Question for School and Home: How** can I keep my personal data safe and secure?



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