Message from the Principal...

Happy New Year Green Gables Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful winter break and are ready for an amazing 2nd semester.

A special thank you goes out to the Southern Gables Neighborhood Association for organizing the Chipotle Night to support our families. Thank you to PTA and the school community for the Holiday Shop and your contributions to our giving tree. Due to your generosity we were able to give holiday gifts, King Sooper’s gift cards, and/ or warm clothing to families in need. I am happy to report that almost 50 students were supported through the giving tree. What a blessing to be part of a community that takes care of our students and each other!

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This is always an exciting time of the school year and there are many community opportunities to look forward to such as: Young Author’s Night, Family Science Night, St. Patrick’s Day Parade, Run for Funds, Healthy Kids Challenge, and many other activities. Before and after school clubs will also be starting up again for students this semester. Look for more information coming soon. Conferences for all students are just around the corner in February. Be on the lookout for more information. This is a wonderful opportunity to look at your child’s strengths and growth areas, as well as points of focus for the remainder of the school year.

May you have a new year that is filled with love, laughter, and good health! As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us here at school. Remember: We are all in this together! I am looking forward to a great second semester!

Happy 2020!
Warmly,

Suanne Hawley
Principal, Green Gables Elementary
January 3rd  Professional Learning Day
January 6th  Students Return
January 8th  Healthy Kid Challenge Begins
January 9th – 5th  Grade Field Trip to NREL 10:15-1:30pm
January 14th  Accountability Meeting 4:30-5:30pm
January 14th  PTA Meeting 5:30-6:30pm
January 15th  1st Round of Choice Enrollment Ends
January 20th  No School- Martin Luther King JR Day
January 21st—2nd  Round of Choice Enrollment Begins
January 23rd—1st  Grade Game Night 5:30-7:00pm
January 30th—3rd  Grade Field Trip to Peter Pan Ballet
                     9:30-11:30am
**January 10th through February 7th**

It is the time of year where Green Gables Elementary participates in the Healthy Heart Challenge (formally known as Jump Rope for Heart). We are partnering up with the American Heart Association in learning about how to have a healthy heart and to recognize symptoms of heart attacks and strokes. We are also raising money for the American Heart Association to go toward heart and brain research to keep us and our families healthy.

Sponsorship space in this newsletter is extremely affordable! Reach parents in your local community & a significant portion of your investment goes back to the school! Want to sponsor this school? Please contact Rob Mangelson at Rob@tscacolorado.com or (720) 878-4107.
Hello Fellow Green Gables Families,

Happy New Year! At school we usually think of a year in terms of an academic year from August-May, rather than in terms of a calendar year from January-December. So, even as we start the new year of 2020, we are mid-year in the 2019-2020 school year. This "new year in our mid-year" gives us an opportunity to pause, reflect, and set some intentions and goals for the rest of the 2019-2020 school year. How has your year gone so far? What are your goals for the rest of this year? What will help make the rest of the year the best it can be for your kids, your family, and you?

The Green Gables PTA is also reflecting on our year so far, and working on plans to make the rest of the year the best it can be for our school. We're looking forward to a lot of fun activities and events in the coming months. Here are a few of the things we have in the works:

- **New After-School Clubs.**
- **Speakers at PTA Meetings-- topics include "Saving for College" in February and "Improvements Coming to Green Gables from the District Bond Funds" in March. Remember, PTA meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Green Gables Library.**
- **St. Patrick's Day Parade in Downtown Denver on Saturday, March 14th.**
- **4th Annual Family Science Night on Wednesday, April 8th.**
- **Fundraisers like Restaurant Nights, World's Finest Chocolate, and Run for Funds so that we can help fund activities, student experiences, and resources for our school.**
- **Teacher and Staff Appreciation.**

And much more!

We'd love to hear your ideas too, and we'd love to have you participate in our activities in whatever way you can. Contact us anytime; you can email me at GreenGablesPTAPresident@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Christy Cerrone, Green Gables PTA President
PTA News

Next PTA meeting is January 14, at 5:30 p.m.

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Dear Families,

During the month of January, many of our classrooms will engage in digital citizenship learning related to Cyberbullying, Digital Drama & Hate Speech. Unfortunately, many students will encounter mean behavior at some point in their digital lives. Some of these experiences are easily forgotten, while others can have deep, long-lasting effects. For families, the key is staying involved in your children’s' lives -- both in the physical and online worlds -- so you can step in and offer help if necessary. This month, you can help your child(ren) learn how to avoid the drama and stand up for others by using these resources:

**Monthly Motto: We are kind & courageous.**

**Discussion Question for School and Home:** How can I connect positively, treat others respectfully, and create a culture of kindness?

**Cyberbullying, Digital Drama & Hate Speech Family Activities:**

- Kindergarten  [English](#)
- Grade 1  [English](#)
- Grade 2  [English](#)
- Grades 3-5  [English Spanish](#)

**Family Tips Sheet**
- Grades K-12  [English Spanish](#)

**Additional Family Engagement Resources**
- Common Sense Media [Resources](#)

[Jeffco’s Tech for Ed Website](#)