



GMS WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER #4

October 2, 2023

MESSAGE FROM MRS. JOHNSON -

Hello everyone - Welcome to October. I love this time of year: leaves are changing, warm sweaters, and hot coco. It's the best 😊. And, Monday is picture day!

2 listening sessions are scheduled for next week to talk about bond projects. It is in the elementary school cafeteria from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Dinner is provided from 6:00 to 6:30. English on Wednesday, Oct. 4 and Spanish Translation on Thursday, Oct. 5th. Please go and let the district know your thoughts and opinions.

Just a heads up - The district wide lock down drill will be conducted in the next few days. Nothing to worry about - it is just a practice drill.

Conferences are right around the corner. They are Oct. 11th and 12th. You should be receiving your scheduled time this week. If the time does not work for you, please call the office at 503-792-3803 ext. 2020 to reschedule. The teachers do want to meet with all the students and their parents/guardians.

Make sure you read all the way through the information - Each week we will add a note from our counselor, Ms. Aloha at the bottom.

Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have a question or concern. Here is my email address: toni.johnsongervais.k12.or.us or phone number at GMS 503-792-3803 ext. 2020.

Proud to be a Wolverine!
Mrs. Johnson

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES: Oct. 02 - 06

- **Monday, Oct. 2 - Regular Schedule / Dismissed @ 3:00**
 - **PICTURE DAY - WEAR YOUR SMILE 😊**
 - **Away volleyball game against East Linn @ 4:00 pm. Dismissed at 2:15.**
 - **Away soccer game vs Blanchet at 4:00 pm. Dismissed at 2:30.**
- **Tuesday, Oct. 3 - Regular Schedule / Dismissed @ 3:00**
 - **Home Football Game vs Blanchet at 5:00 pm**
- **Wednesday, Oct. 4 - Early Release Schedule / Dismissed @ 1:00 pm**
 - **Home volleyball game vs Blanchet at 4:00.**
 - **Away football game at Colton @ 5:30 pm. Busses load at 3:30**
- **Thursday, Oct. 5 - Regular Schedule / Dismissed @ 3:00**
- **Friday, Oct. 6 - Regular Schedule / Dismissed @ 3:00**
 - **Student of the Month Assembly**

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES/UPDATES FOR Oct. 2-6

Lock Down Drill - You should have received notice from Superintendent Stevens about the district wide lock down drill in the next couple of weeks. We will send out an email after the drill to let everyone know the drill was over.

A flier will be sent home on Monday about the Listening Sessions scheduled on Wednesday and Thursday. Please try to attend one of the meetings and give the district your thoughts.

- **Notes From Ms. Aloha:**

Hello 😊! I can't believe we are heading into the month of October. After some locker hiccups, students are doing well in adjusting to the new school year. Here are some helpful tips to speak with your child about.

Stop the Spread of Rumors/Gossip

- **Teach about what rumor/gossip is**
- **Talk about how rumor/gossip can be hurtful**
- **Teach them what to do when they hear rumors/gossip**
- **Talk about rumor/gossip in school versus social media**

Rumors and gossip can be so destructive to the culture of the school and to the people involved. Please talk to your children about preventing rumors and gossip or if rumors and gossip are about your child, please reach out to the Gervais Middle school to speak with the

administrator or counselor. If you have any questions. please contact Aloha Yoshinaga at aloha_yoshinaga@gervais.k12.or.us or 503-792-3803 x2024.