



The Dragon's Tale

Weekly School Newsletter

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**Happy New Year
Dragons!**

WCSF Chess Tournament

Lombardi Middle School will be hosting a Wisconsin Chess Federation Event (WCSF) sanctioned chess tournament on February 3rd, 2024. Registration can be done online through February 1st at www.wisconsinscholasticchess.org or onsite at the event. Please note that at least one adult must be present for students K-8. Contact Hannah Bruesch at hmbuesch@gbaps.org with any questions.

Recess Updates

In order for all of our students to have the chance to practice the social/emotional skills they are learning in the classroom, we are refraining from having adult visitors during recess.

Community STEM Showcase

On Friday, February 9th, 2024, the Einstein Project will be hosting a Community STEM Showcase. This is an opportunity for individual students, teams of students, or classrooms to show off a project that they have been working on. Science experiments, inventions, research projects, engineering prototypes, robotics, maker creations, and computer programs or apps are just some ideas of various types of projects that can be shared. While similar to a science fair, this event will not be judged.

Students will have the opportunity to share their project and engage with event attendees, including STEM professionals! It is also a great opportunity to inspire others by sharing their passion and creativity. To register, please click [HERE](#).

National Junior Honors Society

Hello all. I am Dr. Stueck and I am proud to be the faculty advisor for National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) this year. To qualify for NJHS, a student needs two consecutive semesters with a GPA of 3.5 or higher and complete five hours of community service in their first year. Existing members need to maintain a 3.5 GPA and complete ten hours of community service work each academic year. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at ajstueck@gbaps.org. Thanks!

Lost and Found

We have a few items left at the desk that are waiting to be claimed! If you or your student has lost a car key, a smart watch, or cordless headphones, please reach out to Erika at eafieldhammer@gbpas.org with a description of the item and she will let you know if we have it at the desk.

Visitor and Pick Up Policy

We will now ask to see an ID when your child is being picked up or when you are coming to visit your child for lunch. Our goal is to make sure that everyone is safe! Please know that you will be asked for identification moving forward. If someone other than yourself will be picking up your child or coming for lunch, we will not be able to allow the visitor into the building or your student to leave with them unless we have received prior permission from a parent or guardian. This can be done by calling Ms. Erika at (920) 448-2135 or emailing eafieldhammer@gbaps.org.

Volunteering Form

If your student has volunteer hours they would like to report, please fill out [THIS FORM](#).

Donations

We are looking for donations of new or gently used puzzles to use in classrooms in grades K-5, so a maximum of 400 or 500 pieces should work! If you have one you'd like to drop off, please feel free to bring it to the office to send it to school with your student! As always, we are so grateful for all of the donations we have received over the last few weeks. Thank you for all you do in making da Vinci excellent!

Parent Backpack

The Green Bay Area Public School website has a fun resource called Parent Backpack. There you'll find organizations, programs, and activities that are not affiliated with the district but may be fun opportunities for your family and students to know about! Click [HERE](#) to see what they have to offer!

Sheboygan Chess Tournament

Join us in congratulating the Leonardo da Vinci Chess team for their excellent performance at the Sheboygan Chess Tournament last month. Vrishank Pulavarty won 1st place, Graham Oldenburg won 2nd place, and Treo Moua won 3rd place! Excellent work representing the da Vinci Dragons!

Lego League Teams

On Saturday, December 2nd, our two Lego League teams Robotic Lego Cats and Dragon Dolphin Chargers participated in the Brown County First Robotics competition. They each won a trophy to display at da Vinci! We're so proud of them for representing da Vinci this year.



Fun Fact

Happy New Year to all of our da Vinci friends. Did you know that about 1 million people gather in New York City's Times Square to watch the ball drop on New Year's Eve?



Calendar Notes



January

2	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
3	2:45-3:45 Chess Club
4	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
8	2:35-4:30 Girl Scouts
8	2:40-4:30 Show Choir
8	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
9	6:30-7:30 Virtual PTO Meeting
9	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
10	2:45-3:45 Chess Club
11	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
15	No School - Martin Luther King Jr Day
16	Popcorn Day!
16	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
17	2:45-3:45 Chess Club
18	2:40-5:00 Spelling Bee Round 1
18	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal (TBD)
22	No School - End of 1st Semester Grading Period
23	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
24	2:45-3:45 Chess Club
25	12:15-1:30 Spelling Bee Round 2
25	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
27	7:30-4:00 PTO Chess Tournament
29	12:15-1:30 Spelling Bee Round 3 (if needed)
29	2:35-4:30 Girl Scouts
29	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
29	2:40-4:30 Show Choir
30	2:40-4:30 Play Rehearsal
31	2:45-3:45 Chess Club

February

1	2:40-5:00 Play Rehearsal
3	Assessment Day
5	2:40-5:00 Play Rehearsal
5	2:40-4:30 Show Choir
6	Popcorn Day!
6	2:40-5:00 Play Rehearsal
7	2:45-3:45 Chess Club
8	2:40-5:00 Play Rehearsal
9	Early Release
22	Parent Teacher Conferences Evening
23	No School
27	Parent Teacher Conferences Evening

Our Mission:

Educating world leaders... one child at a time.

Our Vision:

Leonardo da Vinci School for Gifted Learners provides the appropriate level of challenge for academically gifted students in a rigorous, student-centered and diverse learning environment that prepares them to be world leaders.

We are learners. We are leaders.

LEARNERS

Excel – We excel academically.

Altruistic – We are altruistic; we give back to our community.

Determined – We are determined to accomplish our goals.

Engaged – We are engaged in all that we do.

Respectful – We are respectful of our learning, our school community and ourselves.

Safe – We put safety first.