Four Corners Elementary School

November Newsletter

OCTOBER 30, 2026

Busy Bee-ing Amazing!

As we close out the month of October, I am excited to share with you how busy and productive our students have been in their classrooms. They have learned new routines, finished units of study, and surmounted many challenges that come with the new school year.

Our first All-School Assembly of the school year was a great presentation, and well-attended, and our 4th grade classes are already preparing for the next one!

The fourth grade Junior Coaches have begun to assist with leading recess games for younger students. Similar to last year, we had a great response for the fourth graders, and they are divided into different crews that take turns weekly. Our School Monitor, Michelle Adams, coordinates and supervises the Junior Coaches.

Lastly, our October Bee Amazing certificates will be handed out on November 2, and the students who receive them will have lunch with the principal on November 6. When the certificates are presented in each classroom, we emphasize that **all of our students are amazing**, and the certificates are a way to showcase how one student per class demonstrates their amazing qualities.

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GPS Social Media

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Facebook | **Instagram**

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Important Dates

- **November 3 - No School: Teacher Professional Development**
- **November 11 - No School: Veteran's Day**
- **November 13 - All-School Assembly led by 4th Grade**
- **November 25 - Turkey Trot / Early Release at 11:55**
- **November 26 & 27 - No School: Thanksgiving Break**

Kindergarten is Practicing Number Sense





Mrs. Lavoine's Kindergarten students have been practicing number sense as they create pumpkin images with support from Ms. Brooke!

Staff Spotlight



Jake Benedict

Role: Special Education Instructional Assistant

Years in GPS: 3

Favorite Team or Event: Football / The Patriots

What I love about Four Corners: I like working at Four Corners because I get to help the kids reach their full potential one day at a time. Also, the great staff I get to work with.



Sarah Conaway

Role: Special Education Instructional Assistant

Years in GPS: 1

Favorite Team or Event: Ravenclaw

What I love about Four Corners: What I love about working at Four Corners is how we support and celebrate each other. There is always a high five or helping hand right around the corner.

Nurse's Corner

Dear Families,

As we enter flu season, it's important to take steps to protect our students and school community. Influenza (flu) is a contagious respiratory illness that can spread quickly among children.

💉 **Flu Vaccines Are Available!**
The annual flu vaccine is recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older, with rare exceptions. Vaccination can help reduce the risk of getting the flu and developing serious complications.

Flu vaccines are available through your child's healthcare provider and many local pharmacies. Contact your local pharmacy to ask about vaccine availability and age requirements.

Further information can be found here **https://frcog.org/project/vaccine-information/**
Regarding updated vaccine clinics and respiratory guidelines information.

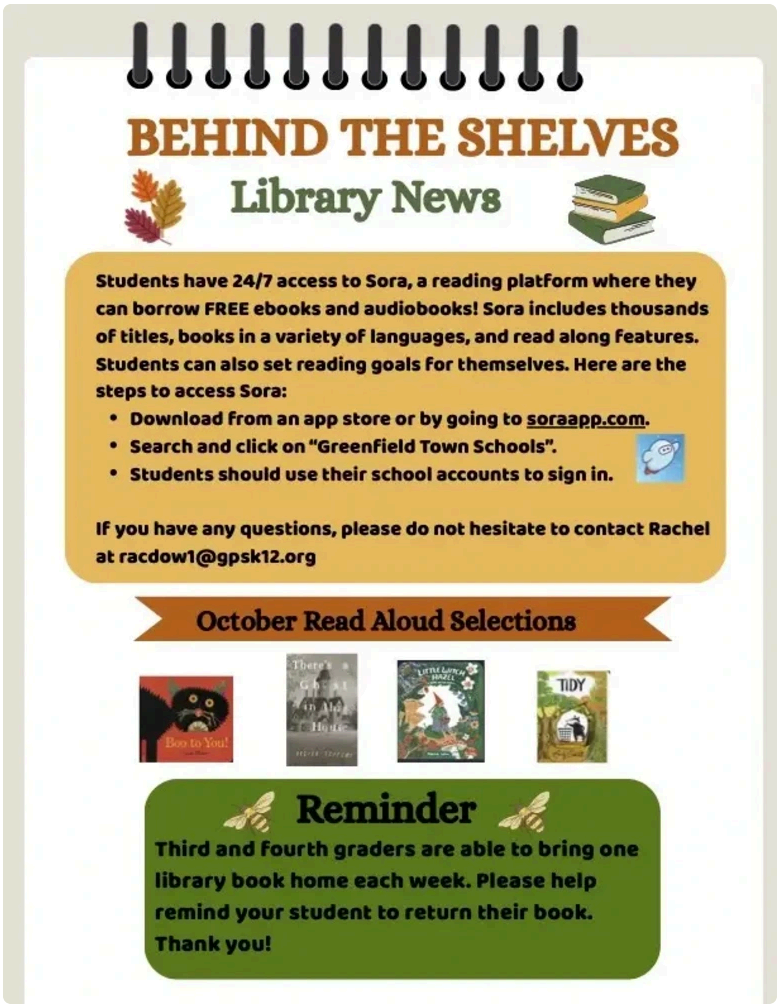
🤧 **Help Prevent the Spread of Flu**

- Encourage frequent handwashing.
- Remind children to cover coughs and sneezes.
- Keep children home when they are sick.

Thank you for helping keep our school community healthy this flu season!

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Library News


BEHIND THE SHELVES
Library News
Students have 24/7 access to Sora, a reading platform where they can borrow FREE ebooks and audiobooks! Sora includes thousands of titles, books in a variety of languages, and read along features. Students can also set reading goals for themselves. Here are the steps to access Sora:
Download from an app store or by going to soraapp.com.
Search and click on "Greenfield Town Schools".
Students should use their school accounts to sign in.
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rachel at racdow1@gpsk12.org
October Read Aloud Selections
Boo to You!
TIDY
Reminder
Third and fourth graders are able to bring one library book home each week. Please help remind your student to return their book. Thank you!

PTO News

Hello 4C Families,

We still have some used Halloween Costumes hanging up by the front entrance. Halloween is creEeEping up on us, so take a peek!

We had our annual Pumpkin Sale on October 3rd and sold 90 pumpkins in 90 minutes! Thank you to all who helped and bought pumpkins! We raised almost $400 for our school from our FunPasta Fundraiser! Our next fundraiser Charleston Wrap has started and goes until November 10th, get what you need for the holidays! During conferences our PTO was able to set up an "Apple Nacho Bar" for our 4C staff, thank you staff for all that you do! And lastly we have our movie fundraiser at the Garden on 11/21 at 9:30, Cat In The Hat!

Our next PTO meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 3rd in the 4C library at 5pm, unable to make it? Join via zoom! All are welcome to join us! Can't feel like you can fully commit monthly? We have a volunteer on call sign up list. Send us an email at **fourcornerselementary.com** or check us out on Facebook for more information and zoom link!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/discoveryschoolatfourcorners/?ref=share

Jennifer Dowd- PTO President

November Lunch Menu

November 2026 Menu – GPS Elementary Schools

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Rebellyous nuggets dippin sauce Snap peas	3 Election Day No School	4 Chicken empanada ranchero beans	5 Orange Chicken brown rice, steamed broccoli	6 Pizza crunchers carrots
9 Cheese quesadilla salsa seasoned black beans	10 Meatball sub dark greens & craisins salad	11 Veteran's Day No School	12 Chicken pesto pasta Tomatoes	13 French bread pizza carrots
16 Burrito Bowl- Fiesta meatless crumbles, seasoned black beans, rice	17 Crispy chicken sandwich sweet potato waffle fries	18 Ham and cheese croissant Peas	19 Turkey dinner: Stuffing, gravy mashed potato, local butternut squash,cranberry sauce, roll	20 Wild Mike's pizza salad
23 Crispy & spicy Tofu bowl with brown rice, fresh cut veggies	24 Hamburger on whole grain bun baked fries	25 Early release Bag lunch- Deli sandwich, apple, carrots, fun chips	26 No School	27 No school
30 Grilled cheese sandwich tomato soup				



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ALL STUDENTS RECEIVE FREE MEALS UNDER THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION

Every student may have 1 free lunch & 1 free breakfast each day

Alternative Meals available every day:
Sunbutter & Jelly or Cheese sandwich

Daily alternates
Monday: Nacho kit

Tues: DIY Pizza Kit

Wed:Breakfast Sandwich

Thurs:Bagel and Yogurt

Friday: Chicken Patty sandwich

All meals served with assorted fruit, vegetables, milk

-A milk with no meal: $0.60

Project Bread Food Resource hotline: 1-800-645-8333

Harvest of the Month- Butternut squash



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