

Greenfield Public Schools

Remote Learning Specialist Special Update!

January, 2021 School Committee Meeting

- **THANK YOU** to GPS for creating the position and giving me the opportunity to step into this role.
- I would like to give you the **UPDATE** regarding how remote learning is going.
- Hamish Brewer: Interestingly, 100 years ago students sat in rows in schools.
 - We're still in rows, but now they're on our screen!
 - **OPPORTUNITY**: Tools (camera, flashlight, level - all in the palm of one's hand)
- One of the incredible byproducts of this pandemic is that students are receiving **TECH INTEGRATION**
- I was in a virtual classroom the other day and I watched the kids work together to **PROBLEM SOLVE** a tech glitch that was happening.
 - They were **COLLABORATING**
 - They were **THINKING CRITICALLY**
 - They were being **KIND**
 - This is something that happens in rooms across the district on a daily basis
- We've come a long way from teaching how to use links as the maps of our schools to
 - Our youngest students becoming adept at sending **EMAILS**
 - Students **SHARING, REFLECTING UPON,** and **EVALUATING** one another's' work in **SEESAW** or **GOOGLE CLASSROOM**
- We are preparing students with **TECHNOLOGICAL SKILLS** that are required to successfully enter the workforce of the future starting in K!
- Teachers are learning skills that are **REVOLUTIONIZING** their instruction
 - We are **COMMUNICATING** with **FAMILIES** more than ever before
 - **PROVIDING PD**
 - **KAMI**: Interactive PDFs - Scholarship Applications
 - **MORE EFFICIENT SYSTEMS**
 - **PEAR DECK**: Interactive Slides

- **THEME:** Interactive & Collaborative

- I am certain that when we go back into the buildings, many of these skills will remain.