



# Spartan Scoop

Who Will Make the World a Better Place? Spartans Will!

## Fall is Here!

October 4 is Walk or Bike to School Day. We encourage all town students to walk or ride their bikes to school while following all of the safety rules. If your child rides a bus, we will drop off all elementary students at the high school, and we will walk to the elementary.

Kids Club has kicked off for the school year! At our first Kids Club meeting, students had the chance to meet their newest club members and name their group. This month, Kids Club will focus on the Reading Without Walls Challenge.

Fundraising pickup will be on Tuesday the 17th from 3:00-6:00pm in the elementary lunchroom. Please be prompt in delivering the items to those kindly purchased. We appreciate all of the support!

Parent teacher conferences are already upon us! On October 24th and 25th, parent teacher conferences will run from 2:00-8:00. If you have any concerns, please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher before conferences.

On Saturday, September 30th, teachers at Grundy Center Elementary hosted teachers, librarians, and other children's book lovers from around the state for the third annual Think In. The participants learned via Web conferencing from keynote speaker and children's book guru, Colby Sharp along with authors, Joseph Kuefler, Jess Keating, Katy Kelly, and Judd Winick. Every participant went home with prizes and free books!

Students celebrated International Dot Day by creating dots and painted rocks which now decorate the area below the television in the lobby. Dot day is celebrated with the book The Dot by Peter Reynolds and emphasizes creativity and growth mindset.

There is a lot to look forward to in October!

Brian Sammons, Elementary Principal

### Dates to Remember:

10.4	Walk or Bike Day
10.10	4th grade field trip
10.17	Fundraiser pick up 3-6pm
10.18	12:45 early out
10.19	Picture retakes
10.24	12:45 early out
10.24	Conferences 2:00-8:00
10.25	12:45 early out
10.25	Conferences 2:00-8:00
10.27	No school
11.1	12:45 early out



## Football Game Expectations

I am so glad many students are able to attend home Spartan football games. Here are a few reminders for students:

Students may play on the grass to the east of the stands **before the game and at halftime only**. Touch football is permitted, but no tackling or piling on other students.

Students should stay seated in the bleachers during the game and not run around.

Be respectful of others. Watch the game and cheer on the Spartans!

Use the restroom and get concessions during quarter and halftime breaks.

Students are not allowed to stop and hang out under the bleachers.

Students are allowed to sit on the first row of bleachers, but not stand at the railing. Keep the walkways clear.

Thanks for your cooperation!



Think In 2017 was a HUGE success. It was so exciting learning about great new books and talking with 5 authors!

Mrs. Strobehn's Kids Club met in September, got to know each other, and named their group!





Be on the lookout for more character pumpkins in the elementary this month. It is a tradition for staff members to choose a character from a children's book and make a pumpkin!

Third grade students decorated "dot rocks" for International Dot Day. They are proudly displayed beside the fountain at the front entrance.

Kindergarteners work on Word Work!



Mrs. Dole's second grade class is making sure they are reading a lot of books this year with the Book-a-Day program. One new book is read aloud EVERY SINGLE DAY! Way to go, Mrs. Dole!







Third grade teachers Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Albright, and Mrs. Walters make a great team and have also mastered the art of dressing alike.

First grade students experimented with what they could move with JUST air!



First grade students learned about bus safety!



Mrs. Steenhoek created a display where all students are represented. It is based on the book, Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson.



# **Grundy Center Community Schools**

## **Mission**

**We create pathways to success by providing opportunities for growth to all learners.**

## **Vision**

**Grundy Center School District is a community of learners committed to providing a world-class education that develops individual skills and empowers students to be collaborative, responsible citizens with the knowledge and character necessary for success in a rapidly changing society.**