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Tusculum View School

September 29, 2008

Dates To Remember

Oct. 2, 6:00 p.m.	Open House
Oct. 13	No School
Oct. 17, 4-8 p.m.	Fall Festival (Balloon Day)
Oct. 31	No School\ Professional Learning Day

Open House

We look forward to seeing all our parents at our GSIA Open House this Thursday evening, October 2, at 6:00 p.m. We will begin in the cafeteria with a GSIA presentation, and special guests Dr. Vicki Kirk and Mrs. Beverly Miller. Dr. Kirk will be addressing the new curriculum requirements and the Tennessee Diploma Project and how these impact our students at the elementary level. Mrs. Miller will be discussing *SchoolCast*, our emergency messaging system. If you do not have access to a computer and have not set up your *SchoolCast* account, Mrs. Fay will be available in the library during Open House to assist you. Our first test message through *SchoolCast* will take place on October 3 at 6:00 p.m. After our meeting in the cafeteria, parents are invited to visit classrooms and meet teachers. This is an evening for touring the school and seeing student work but not for conferences. If you wish to arrange a conference with your child's teacher, this can be scheduled through an email or a call to the teacher. I look forward to seeing you and for you to have this opportunity to receive some very important information from Dr. Kirk and Mrs. Miller which will help all of us as we partner to provide your

child with a safe and academically challenging learning environment.

Sincerely,
Pat Donaldson

Safe at Home

Students in kindergarten, 1st and 4th grades will be having some special visitors this week. Members of the Greeneville Fire Department will be here to present information on fire safety and train students on what they should do in the event of a fire or other emergency at home. We appreciate their time and sharing this valuable information with our students.

5th Grade Chorus

Our 5th Grade Chorus provided a wonderful show for guests at the School Board Meeting which was hosted by Tusculum View last Tuesday evening. Their selection of patriotic music set the stage for the Greeneville High JROTC presentation later that evening. This is an amazing group of students and we look forward to hearing more from them throughout the year both here at school and in the community. Thanks to Mrs. Cindy Sams and Miss Carla Renner who work diligently with this group for their presentations.

Fall Festival

Circle the date of Friday October 17 on your calendar. This will be our annual Fall Festival/Balloon Day. We have planned a Friday

evening event this year (4-8 p.m.) Watch for more details which will include a food collection for the local Food Bank. Please say "Yes" when a GSIA member calls for your help with this event and make plans now to bring the whole family for an evening of fun.

Let's Reap the Rewards!

We are teaming up again this year with Ingles "Tools For Schools", and Food City "Apples for Students" to earn rewards based on our purchases. For the Ingles program, you can register at www.ingles-markets.com. For either program, you can register as you check out. (You must register for each program separately.) Once you register, you are "in the program" for the rest of the year! Don't forget to ask your friends and family members to register as well. They can register and shop at any Food City or Ingles store, and Tusculum View earns great stuff for students!

FundRaiser Ends

This year's Fall Fundraiser with Innisbrook ends today. Fill out your orders on line and print your voucher. Return the printed voucher with money for all the sales in the envelope provided. If you do not have access to a computer to record your order, send your order form and money to school so that a GSIA volunteer can put the information in for you. Checks are to be made to Tusculum View GSIA. All money is to be collected at the time of the sale and money and orders returned to school by Tuesday, Sept. 30.

Walk With Me....

A Day with the Cherokee

"Walk with Me...A Day with the Cherokee" was held in Dogwood Park behind Tusculum View on Thursday, September 18th. A total of 220 fourth graders from the Greeneville City Schools spent the day learning about the culture and traditions of the Cherokee Indians.

Students traveled through five stations which included the role of Native American men, where the students learned about methods of

hunting with a blow gun, how the men would dress, and about the game of stickball. Concerning the traditional role of Native American women, the students learned about the jobs of preparing food and making clothes. The student got to see some of the types of food the women gathered, how to tan a deer hide and make it into clothes and moccasins, and how to make baskets.

The students were allowed to try their hands at corn pounding and stone grinding with a bow-string drill. The students also made a beaded bracelet and key chain to keep as a souvenir of the day. Another favorite center during the day featured how to make a drum, and a demonstration of flute music.

The highlight of the day was participation in a pow-wow with storytelling and special dancers. The students were treated to the fancy dance, the jingle dance, men's traditional dance, and the hoop dance.

A matching grant from the Niswonger Foundation helped fund the event this year, along with contributions from each of the four schools' GSIA parent group.