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Dates to Remember

Sep. 19—GT Application due.

Morning Drop Off

You are welcome to drop your child off at their classroom before school only if you arrive by 7:55. After that time you will need to leave them at the front door and the child may either walk on his/her own or a staff member can escort your child to class.

Thank you for your understanding so our teachers can begin instruction promptly at 8am.

17th Annual Grandparents and Other Relatives Raising Children Conference

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

American Bank Center – Watergarden Room

To register to attend call 361-883-3935 or 1-800-817-5743

Thank you for your continued support as we continue to improve our morning drop off and afternoon pick up routines.

AWESOME News! We are so proud to announce that our own school has earned a “5 STAR” rating from the Texas Education Agency !! We met state standards in student achievement in reading and math, student progress, closing performance gaps, and postsecondary readiness. Way to go Galvan Explorers!! We have our entire community to thank for the great success of our school. **YOUR** child(ren) is(are) attending a top notch school, one of the top elementary schools in the city.

PTA is continuing their annual membership drive. Please be sure to join our Galvan PTA and be the voice for your child(ren)’s educational experience as we work together to move our campus forward. There will be a contest for each class with the most membership and prizes will be awarded. Be on the lookout for more information from our PTA.

GR. 1—5 GIFTED AND TALENTED Testing ... CCISD will begin accepting applications for those wishing to be tested for the district’s gifted and talented program. Applications are currently being accepted and are due by 4:30 pm today. Visit www.ccisd.us for applications. Testing will take place at Galvan Elementary between October 3—13, 2016.

Upcoming Menu

Mon. 9/19	Tues. 9/20	Wed. 9/21	Thurs. 9/22	Fri. 9/23
Breakfast: Sausage biscuit	Breakfast: Cereal combo	Breakfast : Bagel	Breakfast: Mini Pancakes	Breakfast: Banana Bread
Lunch: Burrito Corn Lettuce salad Fruit cocktail	Lunch: Pepperoni pizza Green beans Carrots w/ ranch dip Rosy applesauce	Lunch: Chicken nuggets Mashed potatoes Broccoli Mandarin oranges	Lunch : Hamburger w/ cheese Potato gems Lettuce Fresh fruit	Lunch : Breaded chicken patty Baked beans Finger vegetables Fruit cocktail



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What can I do to help my child ? ...

As children bring home library books to read you can help them ..

1. Take a picture walk and brainstorm what the book is about.
2. Read the book with your child - maybe even alternate who reads each page.
3. Stop and talk about what has happened in the story.
4. Have child predict what they think will happen next.
5. When you finish reading the book ask the child if their prediction was correct.
6. Ask your child questions over the book - let them question you too.

Character First Trait

This month's character first trait is **FLEXIBILITY**. **FLEXIBILITY** is the willingness to change plans or ideas without getting upset. As a student of flexibility I will ...

- ◆ Not get upset when plans change
- ◆ Respect the decisions of my authorities
- ◆ Not be stubborn
- ◆ Look for the good in changes
- ◆ Not compromise what is right

An animal that represents flexibility is the chameleon who must adapt its behavior and physical characteristics in order to survive.

BoxTops for Education Are you helping out? Clipping box tops is an easy way for you to help our school buy what it needs. Each box top is worth 10 cents which will add up as real cash for our school. PTA's goal this year is to use the money to buy each class recess equipment. So, please clip those box tops and send them to school with your child.



Health Notes

A is for Apples - September is apple season. Here are some quick apple recipes for great fun.

1. **Apple oatmeal** - combine 1/2 c rolled oats,, 1/2 c water, and 1 tsp. cinnamon in microwave safe dish. Microwave on high for 1 min. Peel, core, and chop 1 apple. Add apple to the oats and cook another minute.
2. **PB & apple sandwich** - cut an apple in half horizontally and remove the core. Slice each half into 3 rings. On half of the rings spread 1/2 Tbsp peanut butter and drizzle with honey. Top each one with a plain ring. You'll have 3 apple sandwiches.