



THE CHEETAH CHATTER

W.C. GIESE SCHOOL



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Dear Giese Families,

Welcome to the June Edition of the 2014 - 2015 *Cheetah Chatter*. This will be the final newsletter that you will receive this academic year.

I would like to take a moment and recognize the following PTA members: Joel Schroeder, Amanda Schroeder, and Malissa Goebel. These individuals have given a lot of their time and energy to this organization and our school over the past year. Thank you for ALL of your efforts on behalf of the students and staff at Giese Elementary! I would also encourage other parents and family members to become active in this organization when school resumes in the fall. It truly does benefit everyone in the school.

I also want to thank EVERYONE for an extremely successful 2014-2015 school year. The academic improvements that our Giese Cheetahs have shown from the beginning of the year until now is a true testament to the hard work of the teaching and learning staff as well as the support of our parents/guardians at home. A great job to all!

If you have not signed your child up for Summer School, please consider doing so as it is not too late. The final deadline for Summer School is May 29, 2015. No late registrations will be taken.

Please encourage your child to read this summer. Register for a free library card down at the Racine Public Library and get books in their hands. Stop at one of the local Dollar Stores and pick up some boxes of Sight Words and Math Flashcards. You will be truly amazed at how only 15 - 30 minutes of practice each day during the summer will keep your child mentally ready to return in the fall.

The final day of school is Thursday, June 11th. Some other important dates to note are:

- Tuesday, June 9th: 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony (1:15pm in our West Learning Center)
- Wednesday, June 10th: Field Day for all Giese Cheetahs
- Thursday, June 11th: Skatetown for all Giese Cheetahs

Finally, I would like to take a moment and recognize three important and valuable members of our Staff who will be retiring at the end of this year. I have had the honor and privilege to work with Andrew Miller (Psychologist) and Colleen Leyer (Inclusion teacher). I have had the pleasure to work with them and they are absolutely amazing!! They will be sorely missed by all. Also, Abby Sommer will be taking a new Title One position at Wadewitz Elementary. She is an amazing 2nd grade teacher. She will be an asset to her new school. Best of luck to all of you in your new endeavors.

Respectfully,

Tom Hyland
Directing Principal - Giese Elementary
"The BEST kept secret in RUSD!"
2014 Title I School of Recognition
2013 Title I School of Recognition

4 Year Old Kindergarten

June is going to be a busy month for Room 7. We go on our bowling field trip on Monday, June 1st to celebrate our learning centered around the theme of balls. I look forward to outdoor learning as the weather turns nicer. We have Field Day on the 11th and a class picnic at Hantchel Park on the 12th as long as the weather cooperates. For me, June is a time for reflection on the school. I think back to September and know that each and every student has made tremendous growth this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire Giese community for their support this year. I hope everyone has a safe and happy summer full of fun and excitement.

Kindergarten

We are very close to the end of this school year. The children have grown so much in their reading, writing, math, and social skills. It has been fun and rewarding seeing the children develop confidence in their new found abilities. Some areas to be proud include knowing both upper and lowercase names and sounds. Using these letters to blend sounds and read new words. Using our brain to remember high frequency words (sight words), which most often the children can't use the sound blending strategy to figure out, these are called the trick words! Their handwriting has improved from unconnected strokes to free flowing writing of words and sentences. You should be so proud, we are!

Just a few reminders, please make sure your child is getting enough rest since we have more to still learn to be ready for first grade. Our last fieldtrip of the school year will be a walking trip to Skatetown on Thursday, June 11, the last day of school, make sure your child wears or has socks to skate. Finally, we are looking for a few parents to help on our field day, which is Wednesday, June 10. We hope you have a wonderful summer vacation and during the extra time continue to reinforce your child's skills so they will be ready for first grade. Now, not only can you read to your child but your child can read to you, too. Use all the books and materials sent home to help bridge learning during the summer. If you feel you might need additional materials, please let your child's teacher know. We will do our best to provide help. You might also consider registering for a summer school course here at Giese as well. Thanks again for the opportunity to learn with your child, it has been our pleasure.

First Grade

The end of the 2014-2015 school year has arrived and we would like to thank you all for your help, support, and involvement this year. We feel privileged to have worked with your child.

Behavior problems continue as the end of the year excitement approaches. Please review school, classroom, and especially recess rules with your child. **If behavior problems continue some students will be missing out on the fun activities.**

Your child has been introduced to many skills this school year and we ask that you reinforce and maintain them with trips to the library and endless reading and writing experiences! Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Second Grade

The second grade will be taking their end of the year field trip to the Kansasville Fire & Rescue Department on June 3rd. This is a training facility and staff is all volunteers. We are looking forward to the hands on activities and learning opportunities. Please watch for reminder notes coming home.

As the year comes to an end we are continuing to teach and review skills needed for 3rd grade and beyond. Please encourage your child to remain focused and prepared to learn in these last days.

It has been a pleasure teaching and building a relationship with your child. Thank you for this opportunity. We all wish you a safe and fun summer! Keep reading!!

Third Grade

If your child was recommended to attend Summer School, please fill out the enrollment forms and return them to school by Friday, May 29th. Report cards will be sent home with your child on the last day of school. If your child earned a Six Flags ticket, it will be attached to his/her report card.

We have completed the final MAP tests for this school year. Look for your child to bring the results home soon.

We will be going on our annual end of the year field trip to Racine Gymnastics on June 5th. Please be sure to return the permission slips and the \$5 fee for the trip.

Please continue to encourage your child to read lots of books over the summer. The Racine Public Library and Barnes and Noble have great summer reading incentive programs. Also, continue to practice/memorize all math facts (+,-,x,-). Have a fantastic summer break!



Fourth Grade

Hello parents and welcome to the last month of the school year. The year has really zipped by and it is hard to believe that we are nearing the end.

There are several fun activities planned for the end of the school year in fourth grade. We have our bowling field trip coming Tuesday, June 9th. There will be a small charge for the trip. Be on the lookout for a permission slip to come home soon.

We also have field day and Skatetown the last week of school. Remember that being able to attend any or all of the fun activities including bowling is based on the fact that students are not receiving strikes.

We will be having our 50 states and capitals test very soon in June. Please have students continue practicing for them. There are many websites, flashcards, or even the social studies book to help them practice. If you need any assistance or guidance for any of those things, please contact us.

Thank you for partnering with us this year to make this a wonderful school year. Your teamwork has helped make this school year a success.

Fifth Grade

We would like to give a HUGE thanks for every parent who joined us for our "Breakfast with Books" event! It is always a joy to see you and show off Giese's talented students!

We have several important upcoming dates so please mark your calendars:

Thursday, June 4th – Field Trip to Milwaukee Museum & IMAX Theater

Be sure to send a lunch if you did not pre-order a Giese lunch.

Tuesday, June 9th – Fifth Grade Celebration @ 1:15 p.m.

Please remember no more than 3 guests per student due to space limitations

Thursday, June 11th – SKATETOWN & last day of school – report cards sent home.

Bridge Room

First off, I'd like to say great job to all of my students with their testing! It is great to see everyone's progress! Six Flags tickets will be given out to those who completed their reading forms along with report cards. Remember to continue to use programs like "Raz Kids" at home. There are a few field trips for some students coming up, so please make sure to look for permission slips in backpacks!

Congratulations to the following "Student of the Month Winners" for April

Room 7 AM	Madison Howard
Room 7 PM	Ania Reese
Room 8	Austin Rindahl
Room 15	Audrey Keszler
Room 16	Nyckyah Harmon
Room 17	Alyssa Schultz
Room 18	Addison Deschler
Room 19	Cloey Wojciechowski
Room 20	Roy Adams
Room 21	Syrenity Nunn
Room 23	Dontai Gorman
Room 24	Adajha LaPoint-Jackson
Room 34	Aaliyah Andrews
Room 35	Dakota Boehler
Room 36	Amillia Figuerora
Room 37	Zachary Wojciechowski
Room 38	Ryan Payne

Congratulations to the 2015 Spelling Bee Contestants
Winner announced at the final Spelling Bee on May 29th

Room 32	Daniel Bura-Arabela
	Kyanna Kramer
Room 33	Kaleigh Thompson
	Naveah Watson
Room 34	Karsten Calderon
	Kaleah Perker
Room 35	Chasity James
	Angel Flores
Room 36	Collin Cacciotti
	Gariyah Thomas
Room 37	Christina Moore
	Kennedy Bester
Room 38	D'Angelo Dixon
	Aliyah Bergevain



The winner receives a trophy and his/her name engraved on the plaque in the main office.



AMC Theaters – Sensory Friendly Films In Partnership with the Autism Society

AMC theaters have partnered with the Autism Society to bring sensory friendly films to families affected by Autism and other disabilities. These films showcase almost every month and provide an environment that is sensitive to special sensory needs. The lights are turned up and the sound is turned down! You can also bring in your own gluten-free, casein-free snacks, and viewers are even invited to get up out of their seats and dance, shout, walk or sing-a-long with the film!

The closest participating theater near the Racine area:

AMC Theater - Mayfair Mall
2500 N. Mayfair
(Hwy 100 & North Ave.)
Wauwatosa, WI 53226
Guest Services: (414) 777-0467

Next Showing: *(date, film & admission prices are subject to change at any time)*

Inside Out - June 27, 2015
Minions –July 18, 2015

Show begins at 10:00 AM
Special admission price: \$7

For more information, contact Mayfair Mall's AMC Theater or
Giese's Speech Language Pathologist, Mrs. Cronin at 664-8265.
Visit the following web sites for more listings:

Autism Society: <http://www.autism-society.org/get-involved/events/sensory-friendly-films/>

AMC Theater–Mayfair Mall: <http://www.amctheatres.com/programs/sensory-friendly-films>



Elementary Lunch Menu

JUNE 2015



Arbor A+ Nutrition Standards:

- Make Choices for a Healthy Lifestyle!
- ✓ Encourage nutritious & delicious Fruits & Vegetables
- ✓ Chicken raised Cage-Free and Grain-Fed with NO added Hormones/Steroids
- ✓ Fat Free or 1% Milk with NO Artificial Growth Hormones
- ✓ Whole Grain Rich products every day
- ✓ Minimal Saturated Fat, Added Sugars, Artificial Ingredients, and Sodium whenever possible!

Monday

- 1 Chicken Nuggets w/ Seasoned Brown Rice*
Fresh Cucumber Coins
Crunchy Baby Carrots
Mandarin Oranges
Ranch Dressing

Tuesday

- 2 Pizza Dippers w/ Marinara Dipping Sauce
Romaine Salad w/ Ranch Dressing
Plump Raisins
MyPlate Day Treat—Fruit Roll Up!

Wednesday

- 3 Saucy Meatball Hoagie* w/ Mozzarella Cheese
Garden Sweet Peas
100% Pure Apple Juice

Thursday

- 4 Hot Diggity Dog Baked Beans
Fresh Broccoli Buds
100% Pure Apple Juice
Ranch Dressing

Friday

- 5 Cheese Quesadillas
Steamed Green Beans
Tortilla Chips w/ Zesty Salsa
Red Delicious Apple

Monday

- 8 Popcorn Chicken
Golden Sweet Corn Dinner Roll
Fresh Cucumber Coins
Applesauce
Ranch Dressing
Lucky Tray Day!

Tuesday

- 9 French Toast Sticks
Turkey Sausage Patty
Hash Brown Triangle
100% Mango Wango-Vegetable Juice
Orange Smiles

Wednesday

- 10 Italian Chicken
Parmesan Sandwich
Steamed Broccoli
Crisp Celery Sticks
Red Delicious Apple

Thursday

- 11 Chef Chicken Salad w/ Shredded Cheese & Cherry Tomatoes
Goldfish Crackers
Petite Banana
Ranch Dressing

Friday

- 12 Have a great summer!



It's National Dairy Month!

Get calcium, protein, and vitamin D

- * Strong bones
 - * Healthy muscles
 - * Growth spurts
- Try to get 3 cups a day

Questions about the menu?

Call Arbor Management, Inc.
262-664-8700
www.arbormt.com

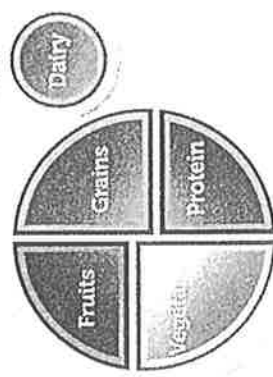


Lunch \$2.45
Milk .45*

Comprehensive Nutrition & Allergy Guides are available on the RUSD website. Elementary menus are pork- and nut-free.

June 2 is MyPlate Day!

To celebrate the birthday of MyPlate, wear a piece of clothing today that is the same color as your favorite food group!

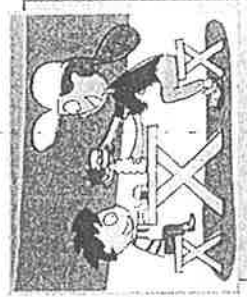


Free Summer Meals!

Arbor Management will provide breakfast and lunch for all Racine Unified students 18 years and under at no cost through the Summer Food Service Program. Check your newspaper for site locations.

Breakfast will be served from 7:45am to 8:30am

Lunch will be served from 10:15am to 11:15am at elementary sites.



June 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 4K Bowling AM 10:00-10:45 PM 1:00-1:45 "B-DAY"	2 PTA Chick-fil-A Fundraiser Night "C DAY"	3 Gr. 2 to Fire Dept. (9:00-2:15) "A-DAY"	4 Gr. 5 to IMAX Theater & Museum 8:30-1:45 "B-DAY"	5 4K classes held Gr. 3 to Racine Gymnastics 11:30-1:30 "C DAY"	6
7	8 Schools of Hope Program 8:15 Gym "A-DAY"	9 5 th Grade Awards Ceremony 1:15 pm 4 th Grade Bowling 11:50-2:15	10 All SCHOOL FIELD DAY "C-DAY"	<i>Last Day of School</i> 11 4K Picnic Hantschel Park + SKATETOWN K-2 9:00-11:00 3-5 12-15 2:15 <i>Go Home</i>	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Father's Day	22 SUMMER SCHOOL BEGINS 8:00-1:00	23 SUMMER SCHOOL	24 SUMMER SCHOOL	25 SUMMER SCHOOL	26 NO SCHOOL	27
28	29 SUMMER SCHOOL	30 SUMMER SCHOOL				