Greetings Green Gables Families,

Happy November! The time seems to fly by. Students are in the full swing of learning and have settled into their routines. We also have our final October student count numbers and our school has grown by over 40 students. This is exciting news! One of the action steps we are taking is to hire a Dean of Students. This person will support with our systemic Positive Behavior Intervention Systems, helping students through restorative practices and resolving conflicts appropriately, as well as school wide implementation of our school goals. This will be a great resource to support students, teachers and resource staff inside the classroom and at lunch and recess, working side by side to promote both social-emotional and academic growth of our students.

On another note, did you know that November is National Gratitude Month? Practicing gratitude is important, now more than ever. Classrooms are also taking the time to support students with not only persevering through challenges, but also sharing things they are grateful for.

From the Greater Good Science Center at the University of California, Berkeley, the practitioners of gratitude have:

- Stronger immune systems and lower blood pressure
- Higher levels of positive emotions
- More joy, optimism, and happiness
- More generosity and compassion
- Less feelings of loneliness and isolation

For some easy to implement ideas for showing gratitude together as a family, follow this link: https://sunshine-parenting.com/a-grateful-family-is-a-happy-family-5-practices/ I would love to hear how it goes.

Proud to be your principal,

Suanne Hawley
November 4th  PTA Chick-Fil-A Fundraiser 4:30-8:30pm
November 4th  Family Workshop on Social Emotional Learning 5:30-6:30pm Virtually
November 5th  Coffee Chats (Principal & PTA) 8:30-9:15am in the Library
November 9th  Accountability Meeting 4:45-5:45pm
November 9th  PTA Meeting 6:00-7:00pm
November 10th  Jeans For Troops Fundraiser Day
November 10th  Orchestra Concert 7pm at Bear Creek HS Gym (students report at 6:15pm)
November 11th  Band Concert 7pm at Bear Creek HS Gym (students report at 6:15pm)
November 12th  End of First Trimester
November 15th  Picture Retakes - AM
November 19th  School Circle 8:30-9:00am in the Gym
November 19th  Report Cards Sent Home

November 22nd through November 26th
NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break
Next PTA meeting is November, 9th at 6:00 p.m. join us in person at school or click here for the virtual meeting. The link will also be in the weekly messenger.

Bring your Longmont Dairy milk caps to the front office.

Scan your receipt with the app. to earn $ for school!

Keep your eyes open for updates on our holiday shop coming November 29th - December 3rd!

PTA MEMBERSHIP SIGN INTO MEMBERHUB TO CREATE YOUR PTA MEMBERSHIP

CONTACT US: greengablesptapresident@gmail.com

Follow us on Facebook @ Green Gables Elementary PTA

Fundraiser @ Chick-fil-A

November 4th Come Support Green Gables Elementary and enjoy a meal out!

Purchase through https://smile.amazon.com/ch/84-6111907

Beginning Friday, November 5th from 8:30-9:15, we will be hosting monthly "Coffee and Chat" with the PTA president and principal. This is a time to get to know others, ask questions or share topics of interest, and learn more about Green Gables.

Please use this link to submit a question and / or input for topics. We will alternate between in person and virtual sessions. The first session will be in person in our school cafeteria.
Wednesday, November 10th our school is participating in “Jeans for Troops”. Please remember to wear your jeans and bring a $1 to donate to our courageous troops. (You may donate even if you don’t have jeans to wear.) You can also donate online by going to https://gigo.org/teams/green-gables-elementary-school-lakewood-co. Thank you for supporting this important cause!

Wall of Honor At Green Gables

Every year we have students, staff, and their families complete the following form to honor our active service members and veterans. Please encourage your student to fill out one or multiple forms to hang on our Wall of Honor that will be on display throughout November. Forms will be returned in December. If you need additional copies please reach out to the main office and we can send more home or download one by clicking here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1guusPJE9VjFofnGAn2qw-F5Jnamq2PnJ/view?usp=sharing
Reminders From The Health Room

• Please remember to send your students with a mask to school each day. Gaiters are not permitted.

• All over the counter medications including cough drops, Tylenol, and ibuprofen must be stored in the health room and have a medication form filled out by families and treating physician.

• Please keep a spare set of clothing in your student’s backpack in case they need a change of clothes during the day.

• In order to keep all students and staff safe and healthy, please remember to keep your student home if they have any major or minor symptoms of Covid-19 as shown in the image below.
How Sick is Too Sick?
When Children and Staff Should Stay Home from School or Child Care

During Colorado’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic, children and staff who have been exposed to a positive case or who have symptoms consistent with COVID-19 listed below, must follow the Guidance for Cases and Outbreaks in Child Care and Schools. Testing for COVID-19 is strongly recommended for anyone with symptoms or a known exposure. When the guidance for COVID-19 instructs children and staff to follow their regular return to school illness policy, this guidance may be used to determine when children and staff may return to school or child care.

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There are four main reasons to keep children and adults at home:
1. Someone who the child or staff lives with or has had close contact with who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or has symptoms of COVID-19.
2. The child or staff member does not feel well enough to take part in usual activities. For example, a child is overly tired, fussy or will not stop crying.
3. A child needs more care than teachers and staff can give while still caring for the other children.
4. The symptom or illness is on this list, and staying home is required.

Remember, the best ways to stop the spread of infection is staying home when sick and good hand washing.

Earn cash for your school! Save Longmont Dairy Milk Caps.
Longmont Dairy Farm will donate 5¢ per LDF produced product bottle cap. Schools are free to spend these funds as they wish to benefit students.
It is getting colder outside, please remember to send your student to school with a jacket. Please also remember to write your child’s name in their jacket. Students go out for recess unless the temperature is below 20 degrees or there are unsafe weather conditions.

Please remember to use the crosswalks when dropping off and picking up your student up from school. This is for the safety of our students as well as for the drivers on our street. If you are interested in volunteering as a crossing guard before or after school, please contact the main office at 303-982-8314.
Hello Green Gables Families,

Green Gables families and community members have the opportunity to help students this Holiday Season. We have a virtual Giving Tree which allows families to donate gifts and needed items to our students and their families.

If you would like to adopt a student, use the signup genius link here [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4bacaa2da0fc1-holiday](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4bacaa2da0fc1-holiday). We will send you an email with the student’s age, gender, and a few gift ideas. Other donations may include King Soopers gift cards. If you would like to donate financially, please visit [https://greengablespta.new.memberhub.store/store/items/215750](https://greengablespta.new.memberhub.store/store/items/215750) to donate to PTA’s Giving Tree Fund.

We ask that gifts be brought to the school by Friday, December 10th, 2021 to ensure we are able to get the gifts to families in time for the holidays.

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the giving tree team.

Charlotte Salerno at charlotte.salerno@jeffco.k12.co.us.
Jennifer Seltz at jennifer.seltz@jeffco.k12.co.us

Thank you!
Dear Families,

Learning never stops and neither does digital citizenship. Teaching our students digital skills and inviting them to reflect on how media and technology affect their daily lives is essential to helping them connect with the world around them. Jeffco Public Schools continues to partner with Common Sense Education to provide our students, teachers, and families with engaging, timely, and essential digital citizenship resources.

During the month of November, many of our classrooms will engage in digital citizenship learning related to **Media Literacy**. Media Literacy addresses important concepts such as bias, opinion, author's purpose, and critical thinking. It also includes asking specific questions and backing up your opinions with facts.

**Monthly Motto: We are critical thinkers and creators.**

**Discussion Question for School and Home:** How can I be a critical consumer and creator of news and media?

**Try these Family Activities:**
Kindergarten  [English](#)
Grade 1  [English](#)
Grade 2  [English](#)
Grades 3-5  [English Spanish](#)
Grades 6-8  [English Spanish](#)

**Family Tips Sheet**
Help Kids Spot Fake News and Decode Media Messages:
Grades K-5  [English Spanish](#)
Grades 6-12  [English Spanish](#)

**Additional Family Engagement Resources**
Common Sense Media  [Resources](#)
Jeffco’s Tech for Ed Website

**Digital Wellness**
[Start a Conversation around Screen Time](#)

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Securly Home
Parental Web Filter at Home

Jeffco Public Schools now provides families the ability to monitor and control their student’s Internet and app activity on district devices at home via the Securly Home app.

The SecurlyHome app offers parents the ability to both monitor and control students’ internet activity outside of the Jeffco Public Schools network.

Families can see their child’s online activity in the Activity Feed. You can create Rules for your child’s device while they are connected to your home WiFi, as well as block categories or specific sites. Flagged Activities will notify you of any potential alarming searches. You also have the ability to Pause Internet and set usage timers on your child’s device.

Once your student is back on Jeffco WiFi, the district filter will override the Home preferences. Reconnecting back at home, the SecurlyHome app setting will begin again.

To get the app:

1. Download the SecurlyHome app
2. Enter the email that is registered with Jeffco Connect and tap “Get Instant Access”
3. You will get a confirmation email. Click on the link and you are ready to begin!
4. Apply Rules and use the features as previously mentioned