

# Woodland Newsletter

March 2010

Lunch Changes  
Month of March



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| March 10th | Manager's Choice<br>Mexican Fiestada Pizza (beef)<br>Rice<br>Corn<br>Fixings |
| March 15th | Brunch for Lunch<br>Waffles/French Toast Stix<br>Turkey Sausage<br>Tri Tator |
| March 24th | BBQ Turkey on Bun<br>Baked Beans<br>Bagged Chips                             |



For more information from Linda Perdaems, Principal, please go to the link below for the Woodland Brag Blog.

<http://principalblogs.typepad.com/lindaperdaems/>

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On Friday, February 19, 26 students from grades four through six participated in the Woodland Spelling Bee. These students had advanced from their classroom Spelling Bees. Afton Aiken (grade 4) is the Spelling Bee champion from Woodland. Cyndi Gurley (grade 6) and Sarah Blanchard (grade 5) are the runners-up. The Student Council from Woodland sponsored the Bee, which is a part of the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Afton goes on to the 7-Country Metro Spelling Bee at the Minnesota History Center on April 13.

## GRASP

Grand Rapids Academic Summer Program

Phone: 616-819-2548; Fax: 616-819-2545

The GRASP program is a 9-week correspondence summer program in math and reading for children who have completed kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The program seeks to help students retain skills learned during the school year by providing review exercises. Students should enroll at the grade just completed or the level that is appropriate for them. Lessons are scored, recorded, and returned. There is an award system. Awards are mailed soon after Labor Day.

**FEES:** \$37 one subject; \$61 both subjects

**ENROLLMENT:** Forms are available by calling 616-819-2548 or access Web site, [www.grpublicschools.org/grasp](http://www.grpublicschools.org/grasp). Sample pages and objectives may be viewed on this Web site. Parents must complete enrollment form for children and mail it with the enrollment fee to the address below.

Mail completed form with fee to the following:

GRASP Director  
GRASP  
2550 Burritt NW  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Citizen of the Month  
January 2020

4 * Room 9	Mrs. Scheetz Mrs. Erickson	Kayla Monahan
4 * Room 11	Mrs. Youngberg Mrs. Palkovich	Naomi Romslo
AM/PM Kidstop	Mrs. Paskewich	Alex Corbin
Kindergarten Kidstop	Mrs. Flanagan	Ashlyn Vetsch
All Day Kindergarten	Mrs. S	Megan Braaten
First	MS. HEER	Nick Westphal
	MISS HELMS	Nancy Zheng
	MRS. LIEN	Amber Aamodt
	MISS PEEK	Sarah Voravongsy
	MRS. WAGNER	Delanie Siewert
	MRS. WALZ	Natalie Yang
Second	MISS BEDFORD	Cao Doan
	MRS. HALVORSON	Jacob Nelson
	MRS. HODSDON	Dominique Drake
	MRS. HOUSMAN	Kaylie Toleno
	MRS. LEVY	Grace Hubbell
	MR. LUND	Ryan Sundem
Third	MRS. DEANS	Katrina Le
	MRS. GOODRICH	Mason Spencer
	MRS. LEE	Brianna Dwarka
	MS. SNELL	Alex Maierhofer
	MRS. THRONDSO	Jaynelle Chang
Fourth	MRS. EWING	Timmy Bies
	MR. GRUBER	Hailey Illi
	MISS NESS	Justin Leatherman
	MR. SAWATZKE	Peter Nguyen
Fifth	MS. AGUILAR	Judith Marquez
	MRS. DRAKE	Sarah Blanchard
	MRS. GUTE	Graham Thompson
	MRS. OTTO	Paolo Phothiboupha
	MRS. PROVART	Haley Borgen
Sixth	MRS. LANDERS	Kevin Hoang
	MRS. MILLER	Jacob Zurbay
	MRS. TOLLEFSON	Asiyah Raza
	MRS. WAGENMAN	Victoria Vang

# March 2010 WD Gifted Education News

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## Needs Based Classes (NBC) Information

During the weeks of March 1 and 8, "in classroom" sessions of Junior Great Books are continuing for grades 3 and 5. Grades 2, 4 and 6 completed their sessions at the end of February. This has been a great opportunity to be able to reach more students in each grade level as each high leveled reading group has around 30 students.

## Cluster Based Service (CBS) Information

During March collaborative sessions, the GE teacher will continue to work with classroom teachers in planning for differentiated instruction.

## Grades KDG and 1: Collaborative enrichment

During these sessions, the GE teacher goes in to each classroom to teach an enrichment lesson. The focus in KDG is on thinking skills and in Grade 1 the focus is on word use. Each Kindergarten and Grade 1 classroom will receive 5 sessions during February and March.

## Opportunity for District 279 Parents

Dr. Marcia Gentry, Director of the Gifted Education Resource Institute at Purdue University  
Wednesday, March 24, 2010, 7 - 8 PM at Maple Grove Senior High School in the auditorium  
Evening presentation for parents of elementary students in District 279

## Assessment of nominated students has been completed

Testing to assess student need for 2010-11 Gifted Education services is complete. The testing results and collected data will be reported this spring to all families of nominated students.

## Sixth graders have completed HP testing

The testing of students who applied for junior High Performance (HP) classes has been completed. All collected data will be compiled in order to determine appropriate programming for each student. Families will be notified of placement recommendations this spring.

## Young Scientist Roundtable: An enrichment opportunity for all Woodland families

*We've had an enthusiastic response from the parents and children who have chosen to attend YSR events!* Your participation in each month's Young Scientist Roundtable is funded by Gifted Education 279. Future dates are listed below; also attached is information regarding the valuable March 10 opportunity! The final event is described below; attached is additional information regarding Roving Mars.

Mark your calendars:

Wednesday, March 10, 2010 (date change) Roving Mars: Spirit, Opportunity and the  
Exploration of the Red Planet

For more information about GE Services, please access our web site:  
<http://www.district279.org/services/TalentedGifted/GeneralInformation/>