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Dates to Make Note of:

- Feb. 1 - **PATRIOT PRIDE**
- Feb. 3 - **WEAR RED DAY!**
- Feb. 7 - **Schuylkill Valley Band Rehearsal, 9AM-1PM**
- Feb. 9 - **Schuylkill Valley Band Rehearsal, 9AM-1PM**
- Feb. 15 - **PATRIOT PRIDE**
- Feb. 17 - **Early Dismissal/Teacher In-Service**
- Feb. 20 - **NO SCHOOL - President's Day**
- Feb. 23 - **NJHS Induction, 7PM**

Superintendent to Host Coffee Chats with Community

Families and community members are invited to participate in an informal opportunity to share coffee and conversation with Superintendent Daniel Goffredo. This new engagement series, called Coffee and a Chat with the Superintendent, is designed for community members to bring any questions they may have about the district to the table, or to just come to learn about some of the things happening District-wide.

Five events are scheduled for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. Registration is required, with participation limited to 20 people at each event. Registration for each event will open two weeks prior to the event date.

Scheduled events are:

- February 9, 2023, 7:30 a.m. (Registration opens Jan 26)
- March 22, 2023, 9:00 a.m. (Registration opens March 8)
- April 25, 2023, 5:00 p.m. (Registration opens April 11)
- May 4, 2023, 12:00 p.m. (Registration opens April 20)
- June 8, 2023, 2:00 p.m. (Registration opens May 25)

Visit www.gvmsd.org/superchat for the registration link.

What better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than with **Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza in Exton** on **Tuesday, February 14th from 11am to 9pm** for a GVMS Dine & Donate! The GVMS PTO will receive 20% of the proceeds collected, for dine-in, carry-out and pickup orders! **Mention that you are with the GVMS PTO before placing your order.**

The GVMS PTO is pleased to announce that the **Arts and Athletics Club**, a local non-profit organization located in the Exton Mall, has generously offered to host a **Trivia and Game Night** for the students of GVMS on Friday, February 17, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This is a giveaway event for ages 10+.

Pre registration is required.
<https://gvmspto.membershiptoolkit.com/packet/643>

****You can still preorder your 2023 GVMS Yearbook at Jostens.com until the end of February.** Books sell out fast, so preordering is the only way to guarantee a copy for your student in June!

POINTS OF INTEREST

****New Student Registration for the 23-24 School year will open in February (K) and March (1-5).**

- **Behavioral Health Screening—Grade 7:** The emotional and mental health of our students is a priority for Great Valley. We are taking the pro-active step of screening 7th grade students to help identify those who may be struggling with mental health concerns and to target preventative supports. If you have a 7th grade student, you should receive a School Messenger with information about this screening and a request for your consent. If you do not receive this, or would like more information, please contact student-services@gvmsd.org
- The Great Valley Middle School earned the Pennsylvania Associations of Student Councils Distinguished Keystone Award for 2022. Great Valley was recognized in the following areas: financial procedures, activities, council organization, community outreach, communication, evaluation, and excellence in leadership development. Congratulations to the entire GVMS Student Council!
- The **School Spelling Bee** was held after school on January 18th. Congratulations to all 6th, 7th and 8th graders who participated in the spelling bee held in the library. The Bee went 10 rounds before it concluded with Diya Sharma, Yatharth Gawda and Aditya Majumdar all tying for a 2nd place finish! And Drum Roll, Please...**Our 2023 Spelling Bee Champion is Akshaj Samineni!** His final word was "pell-mell" for the win! Akshaj will be competing at the county level on Tuesday February 7th. We wish him well!



- The NJHS Pajama Day Committee is proud to say that they collected nearly \$700 to donate to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia last Friday! Thank you to all who participated. We are planning the 2nd Pajama Day on February 17th, Stay tuned for announcements.
- The **GVMS PTO** has kicked off the first fundraiser for a community sponsored field trip! We will be raising funds to reduce the cost of field trips for all students in grades 7 (Cape Henlopen) and 8 (Amazing Race), which cost almost \$100,000. You can support this initiative by sharing the sponsorship letter and form with your local business contacts. See the PTO sponsorship page at **Field Trip Sponsorship: Great Valley Middle School PTO** for more details. Please contact **the PTO at info@gvmspto.org** if you have any questions. Thanks for your support!

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IS NOW JUNE 14th!!

To make up for the snow day on December 23rd (which was a half-day for students), a day has been added to the end of the school year. The last day is now June 14th. Please note that both June 13 & June 14 will be half-days for students.

If there are additional snow days this year, they will also be made up at the end of the year.