



Monday 2/13 Day 6	Tuesday 2/14 Day 1	Wednesday 2/15 Day 2	Thursday 2/16 Day 3	Friday 2/17 Day 4
Monday 2/20 NO SCHOOL	Tuesday 2/21 Day 5	Wednesday 2/22 Day 6	Thursday 2/23 Day 1	Friday 2/24 Day 2

Dates to Make Note of:

- Feb. 15 - PATRIOT PRIDE**
- Feb. 17 - Early Dismissal/Teacher In-Service**
- Feb. 20 - NO SCHOOL - President's Day**
- Feb. 23 - NJHS Induction, 7PM**
- Mar. 1 - 8C Field Trip People's Light**
- Mar. 2 - 8A Field Trip People's Light**
- Mar. 7 - 8B Field Trip People's Light**

POINTS OF INTEREST

- 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!
- **7th Grade Henlopen 2023 dates May 15th- May 19th**
General Information: **7A Team** will split the week (some will go M-W and others will go W-F); **7B Team** will go M-W May 5-17; **7C Team** will go W-F May 17 -19.
 A parent meeting will take place on Tuesday March 21st at 7PM in the dining room and a morning meeting will take place on March 22nd at 8AM in the dining room.
 Permission forms were given out on February 6th. Further information will be coming out soon. In the meantime any questions can be directed to Mr. Cinciripino at: lcinciripino@gvmsd.org

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

- Grade 6: Sadie Tengwell, Om Gradami and Liam Moore**
- Grade 7: Cody Huang, Shay Sabo and Mateo Moon**
- Grade 8: Isabelle Li, Phillip Ginev and Tyler Draper**

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>

February is pizza month! Throughout February, the GVMS PTO is selling **Little Caesars Pizza Kits** to raise money for our school. Pizza Kits will be delivered directly to your home. Selections include cheese pizza, pepperoni pizza, crazy bread, cookies, and more... <https://fundraising.littlecaesars.com/fundraisers/support/954f7bfe-e80e-4b7e-95af-0ba50afd5d27>

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



On Saturday, January 21, 2023 GVMS participated in the Future City Competition at Delaware County Community College. Rohan Kundra, Greeshma Gunnu, Niti Singh & Jonathan Bricker talked with engineers & presented the city named Sargasso to the judges. The students won 2 awards: Net Zero Carbon Design and Ingenious

Construction Techniques. They were also invited to the Engineering Fair to talk about their city and its innovations that will be held in May!

BUS PASSES - Students **must** ride the bus they are assigned to. Due to the high numbers of ridership on buses, bus passes to ride on a bus different than their own are **only** granted in emergency situations. All requests need to go through the Transportation Office at Transportation@gvmsd.org.

The **2022-2023 Great Valley Middle School Science Fair** was held Wednesday, January 11, 2023, from 12-3 pm in the main hallway of the school. It was a tremendous success thanks to our student scientists. This year 10 students participated in the Fair, presenting projects that were intellectually stimulating and real world applicable. All the students did an impressive job presenting their projects and fielding tough questions from the six University of PA research experienced judges. The judges were much impressed by the originality and scientific rigor of the projects presented this year. All students who took part in the Middle School Science Fair are now eligible to compete in the County Fair March 7, 2023, at the Parkesburg Point Youth Center. Let's all congratulate these student scientists for the outstanding work they presented at the Middle School Science Fair and let's continue to support them as they move on to the County Fair. We are all very proud of these students. Below are the results from this years Fair, by grade, student name and title of the research project:

- 6th Grade**
Om Gagrani---First Place, Ray of Light (Video Game for Visually Impaired and Sighted Players)
Riya Shetty---Second Place, Are Daily Beverages Acidic and Can We Reduce the Acidity
- 7th Grade**
Anya Jani---First Place, What is the Effect of Mindfulness on Retention in Middle School Students
Pranavi Jonnalagadda---Second Place, Using Solar Power to Harvest Drinking Water from Air
Ksenya Wong---Third Place, Science of Spherification
Srida Sreejith---Fourth Place, Climate Change and Invasive Plants
- 8th Grade**
Atharva Singh---First Place, Regeneration of Planaria
Mikayla Dharsee---Second Place, Pollution Protection Palisade
Arush Srivastava, Niti Singh---Third Place, The Viscosity of Liquids