

**GMCS NEWS
DECEMBER 2022**



HELLO
December

**Early Dismissal at 12pm
December 09 & December 22**

**No School
Winter Break Holiday
December 23 - January 02**

**Holiday Concerts
Kindergarten - December 5, 2022
1/2 - December 6, 2022
3-6 - December 7, 2022
All concerts starting at 6pm**

Gettysburg Montessori Charter School
(717) 334-1120 <https://www.gettysburgmontessoricharter.org>





GMCS December Fundraiser

Please join our Popcorn fundraiser by clicking the link below: Link will be live on December 1, 2022

<https://poppinpopcornonline.com/participant/register.php?g=GPJKKM>

- Once registered, you'll be able to log in and start selling by simply posting a link to your Facebook page. Log in from your mobile device to send text messages to close family & friends. Or, you can also send your fundraiser link via email. Good luck and have fun selling!
- Seller registration QR Code (QR Code is in the Invite sellers page on the sponsor dashboard):



GMCS NEWS



Scarecrow Charity Showdown Update

GMCS Raised \$ 471.25
for the SPCA of Adams
County.

Way to go Ms. Dohler class
for winning the second year
in a row!



Holiday Shop



December 09 - 21, 2021

The Holiday Shop will be held from December 09-21. Gifts range from \$1-\$5. In order for students to shop for family members, use the envelope attached to indicate who the child should shop for and include money (cash only) for gifts. Please do not send more than \$50 with your student. Please send the envelope with your child on their scheduled day of shopping. Any profit made goes towards student activities.

If you should have any questions, please contact the front office.

Thank you,
The GMCS Holiday Shop Crew

Holiday Shop Class Schedules

Friday, December 9, 2022 = Preview

Monday, December 12, 2022

Ms. Dohler 8:45am

Miss Harmon 9:55am

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Mrs. Roush 8:45am

Mrs. Fleurant 9:55am

Mrs. Rodgers 1:25pm

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Miss Stowman 9:55am

Mrs. Sauter 1:25pm

Thursday, December 15, 2022

Mrs. Lansford 9:55am

Mrs. Gulden 1:25pm

Friday, December 16, 2022

Mrs. Bechtel 8:45am

Mrs. Needham 9:55am

Monday, December 19, 2022

Makeup time for students that
missed scheduled day 1:25pm

Tuesday & Wednesday - Open to everyone during
lunch / Recess



GMCS Student Store will be open
from December 12 to 16



Students can bring their GMCS WOW
dollars and buy items ranging from
\$10-300!!

What is a WOW dollar?

A wow dollar is awarded when a student exhibits positive behavior. Its is part of a school-wide behavioral intervention approach. WOW dollars are distributed on a daily basis by all staff members. Students can earn WOW dollars for a variety of good behaviors, including followings class rules, walking quietly in the hallway being kind to others, etc.. The purpose of implement this type of system is to teach behavior expectations and to reward students for following them. Rather than waiting for misbehavior to occur, and then responding this positive approach is a way for staff to “Catch” students being good and to reward good behavior. Research has shown that the implementation of punishment, especially when it is used inconsistently and in the absence of positive strategies, is ineffective. Introducing, modeling, and reinforcing positive social behavior is an important part of a students educational experience.

Remind your students to always WOW

Work hard to have good behavior

Offer Kindness

Win WOW dollars everyday!



Winter Spirit Week



HOLIDAY HOMEROOM CONTEST

EACH HOMEROOM CAN DECORATE THE OUTSIDE OF THEIR CLASSROOM DOORS FOR THE HOLIDAYS. THE WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED 12/22 AND WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL TREAT!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022

CHRISTMAS ATTIRE

**WEAR ANYTHING CHRISTMASSY – HEADWEAR THURSDAY!
LETS KICK THIS WEEK OFF FESTIVE, WEAR HOLIDAY HATS,
HEADBANDS, SCARVES, EARRINGS, SOCKS!**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2022

HOLIDAY CHARACTER DAY

(GRINCH, SANTA, ELF, OLAF, SNOWMAN, REINDEER...)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2022

UGLY SWEATERS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2022

ELF DAY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022

CHRISTMAS ATTIRE

WEAR ANYTHING CHRISTMASSY!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2022

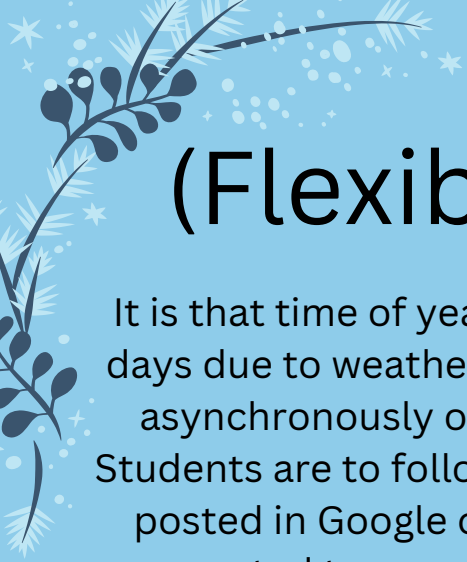
HOLIDAY PJ PARTY

WE WISH ALL OUR GMCS FAMILIES A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY



Field Trip

On December 02, 2022,
GMCS students from
1st through 6th grades will be
going to the York College to see
the Christmas Carol. Please be on
the lookout for a permission slip to
be sent home with your student.



FID

(Flexible Instruction Day)

It is that time of year again when we need to prepare for flexible Instruction days due to weather emergencies. It is expected that all students will attend asynchronously on FID unless technology/internet access is unavailable. Students are to follow the FID schedule below and complete the assignments posted in Google classroom. If technology is unavailable, students will be expected to complete the FID learning packet provided by their teacher.

Schedule for Flexible Instruction Days

10:30 All Students must be logged into Google Classroom to view the morning announcements and participate in asynchronous morning meetings/discussion boards.

10:45 - 12:00 Students work on assignments posted in Google Classroom or on FID packets issued by their teachers.

12:00 - 12:30 Lunch and Movement Break Snack and Movement Break

12:30 - 1:45 Students work on assignments posted in Google Classroom or on FID packets issued by their teachers.

1:45 -2:00 Snack and Movement Break

2:00 - 2:50 Students work on assignments posted in Google Classroom or on FID packets issued by their teachers.

FID Learning Packets and Attendance

Prior to a FID your teacher(s) will be sending five days worth of instruction home at the beginning of each month (Dec, Jan, Feb, March) in the event you are unable to attend school asynchronously via Google classroom on a FID. It is important that students do not complete FID packets prior to a FID and that the packet is available for students in the **event technology is unavailable**. When technology is unavailable, students must complete ALL assignments for each day at home to receive credit for attending that day.

Students will be marked absent until a written notification of their participation/attendance in FID and a COMPLETED packet is returned to school. It is due the first day following a FID. This is needed to verify their participation in the FID. If a student was absent on a FID they will be marked unexcused until GMCS receives proper excuses from parents or guardian.

Thank you! GMCS Administration

DELAYS AND CLOSING



Please check our website for weather
delays & closing information at
gettysburgmontessoricharter.org
Emails and text alerts will be sent and
information is posted on WGAL.

Contact
info@gettysburgmontessoricharter.org
if you are not receiving alerts.



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Recess in Cold Weather

GMCS uses the following general guidelines for decision making related to recess:

- Regular outdoor recess will be held when outside air temperature and/or wind chill is 25° (F) or greater. The presence of rain or snowfall can influence this decision.
- Indoor recess will be held when outside air temperature and/or wind chill is lower than 25° (F).
- Whenever students are sent outside in cold temperatures, building staff watch for individual children who are not wearing appropriate clothing and may be at risk. In the event that a child does not have access to clothing necessary for cold temps or snow, GMCS is here to help! Just let us know



DONATIONS NEEDED



GMCS is accepting donations for local nursing homes. Items will be collected through December 12, 2022. Donation box is local in the lobby.

- tissue paper and construction
- paper for crafts
- picture books
- dot to dot books
- body wash
- lotion
- deodorant
- hairbrush
- table top organizer
- pens
- wordfinds
- crayons
- colored pencils
- ChapStick
- glue sticks
- bottle glue for crafts



Look Ahead January



**No School
GMCS will be closed
on
January 17, 2022 in
observance of
MLK Jr. Day**



Save the Date

January Fundraiser - Stoney Point Snacks

Storytime for Pre-K
January 18, 2023

100th Day of School
January 30, 2023 Tentative

National School Choice Spirit Week
January 23 to January 27, 2023

Report Cards posted online
January 20, 2023

