December 12, 2025

Dear Florence Roche Families,



Last Saturday's Winter Fair was a great success! A big thank you to Jennifer Moore for coordinating this event one final time. We truly appreciate all the effort that you and your team of volunteers puts into making this event so special. The student performances are always memorable and we have Mr. Wiesner and Ms. Hettinger to thank for that.

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our students and the PTA raffle basket fundraiser during the Winter Fair. If you didn't get a chance to purchase raffle tickets, there are still a few days left. Monday, 12/15 is the last day to purchase your tickets. Raffle winners will be drawn on Tuesday, 12/16. Here is the link to purchase your tickets.

Congratulations to our 3 student winners of these basket experiences!

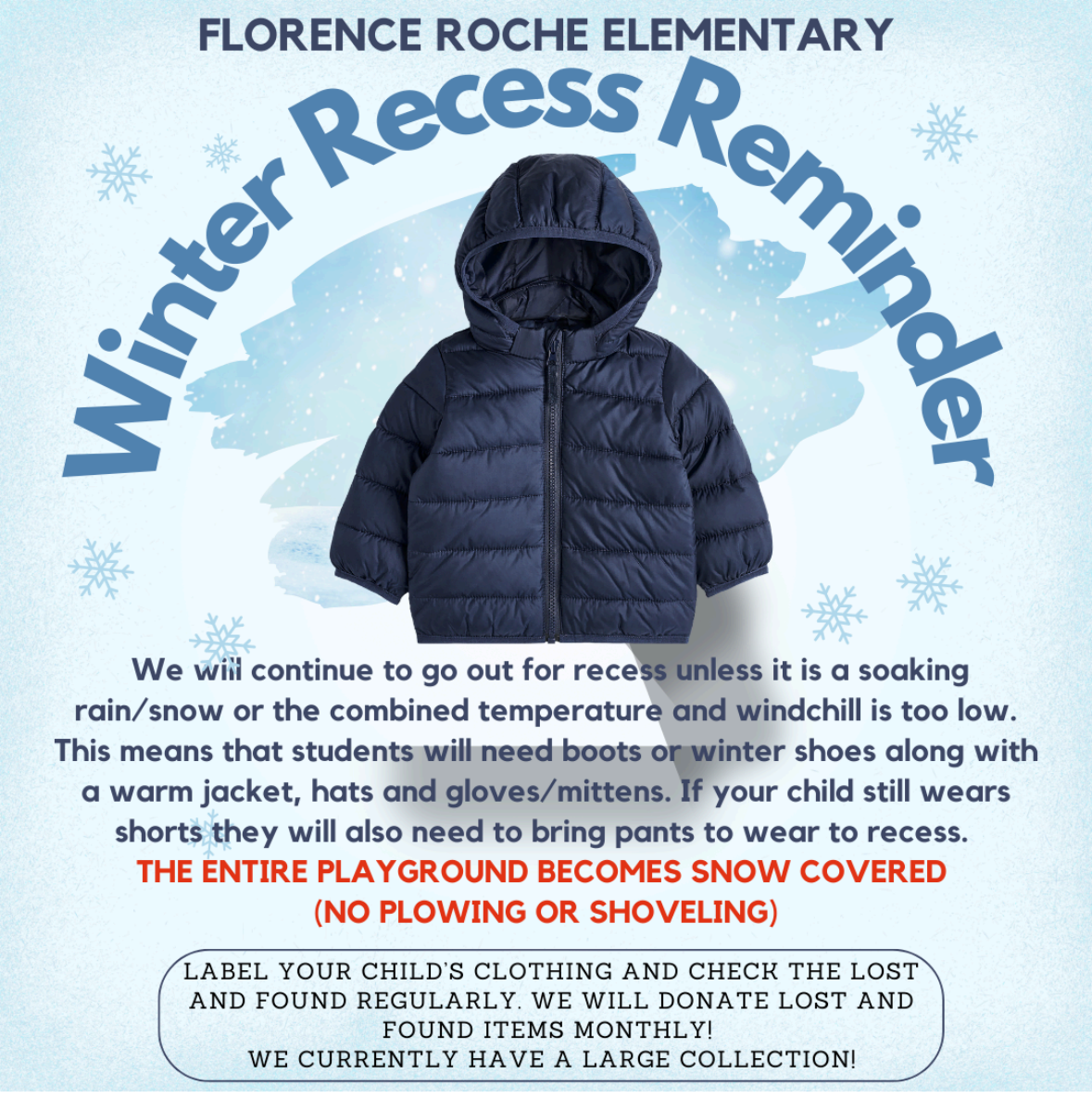
Police Officer for a Day: Clara R. - Grade 1
Firefighter for a Day: Gaia Elsa M. - Kindergarten
Principal for a Day: Lincoln C. - Grade 4

The high school band and chorus members visited us this week. Our students really enjoyed watching these talented students perform. Our staff looks forward to this seasonal tradition as we get to see many of our former students and appreciate how much they have grown since their time in our classrooms.





Our 4th grade Student Council did a great job supporting the Groton Trust Toy Drive. Officer Rob stopped by on Thursday to fill his cruiser with all of the donated toys. Thank you to our families for helping make this toy drive a success!





If your student is missing an item of outerwear, it may be in our lost and found. It is recommended that you label everything with your student's name, so that any lost items may be easily returned. You are welcome to stop by and go through the lost and found if you think your student has lost something at school. We plan to donate any lost and found items at the holiday break at the end of the month.



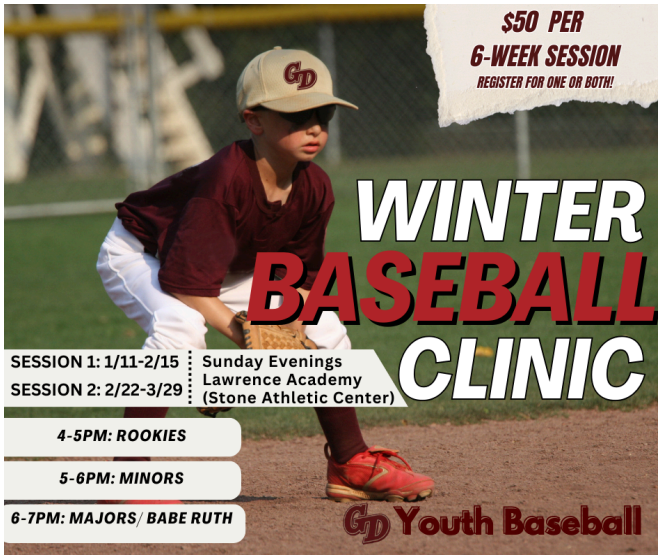
A Message from GDEF

Are you looking for a unique way to recognize a Teacher, Administrator, or Other Staff/Community Member for their hard work and impact they've had on your child? GDEF Teaching Stars are the perfect (easy!) gift! They are a great way to say "Thank You" while helping to enrich the schools in the form of a donation to the Groton-Dunstable Education Foundation (GDEF). Learn more here about how to show an educator how much they are appreciated with a Teaching Star: https://www.gdefinc.org/teaching-star.



Also, don't miss out on year-end giving opportunities for GDEF. All donations are tax-deductible, may qualify for employer matching, and are directly applied to grants in the current year and beyond. We're 56% of the way to our goal! Find more information and consider donating here:https://www.gdefinc.org/annual-giving-campaign.

Thanks in advance!



GD Youth Baseball: Winter Clinic Registration is Open!

Our Winter Clinics are coming to Lawrence Academy's Stone Athletic Center! The Winter Skills Clinic is a six-week indoor training program designed to help players stay active in the off-season and sharpen their fundamental baseball skills.

Two 6-week sessions:

- Session 1: Jan 11 - Feb 15
- Session 2: Feb 22 - Mar 29

Every Sunday:

- Rookies (4-5pm)
- Minors (5-6pm)
- Majors/Babe Ruth (6-7pm)

$50 per player for a 6-week session.

Whether you're picking up a bat for the first time or looking to take your game to the next level, our clinics offer instruction that will keep your players active in the off-season.https://gdyouthbaseball.sportngin.com/register/form/087596486

Important Dates

- **12/19** - PreK-4 Half Day - 12:17pm dismissal
- **12/23** - Full day
- **12/24 - 1/4/26** - winter vacation -no school
- **1/5/26** - school open

Enjoy the weekend!

Brian