December 19, 2025

Dear Florence Roche Families,

Thank you to our kindergarten families for providing all of the cookie treats this morning. The gingerbread themed presentation was amazing! It was a perfect way to make this rainy day brighter for all of us. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Wishing everyone a healthy and happy holiday break.





Dr. Bruno was a guest teacher for Mrs. Gribi's 1st grade class on Tuesday afternoon this week. Students enjoyed having him as he kept them engaged throughout the afternoon. I only needed to check on him once. He certainly slept well that night.

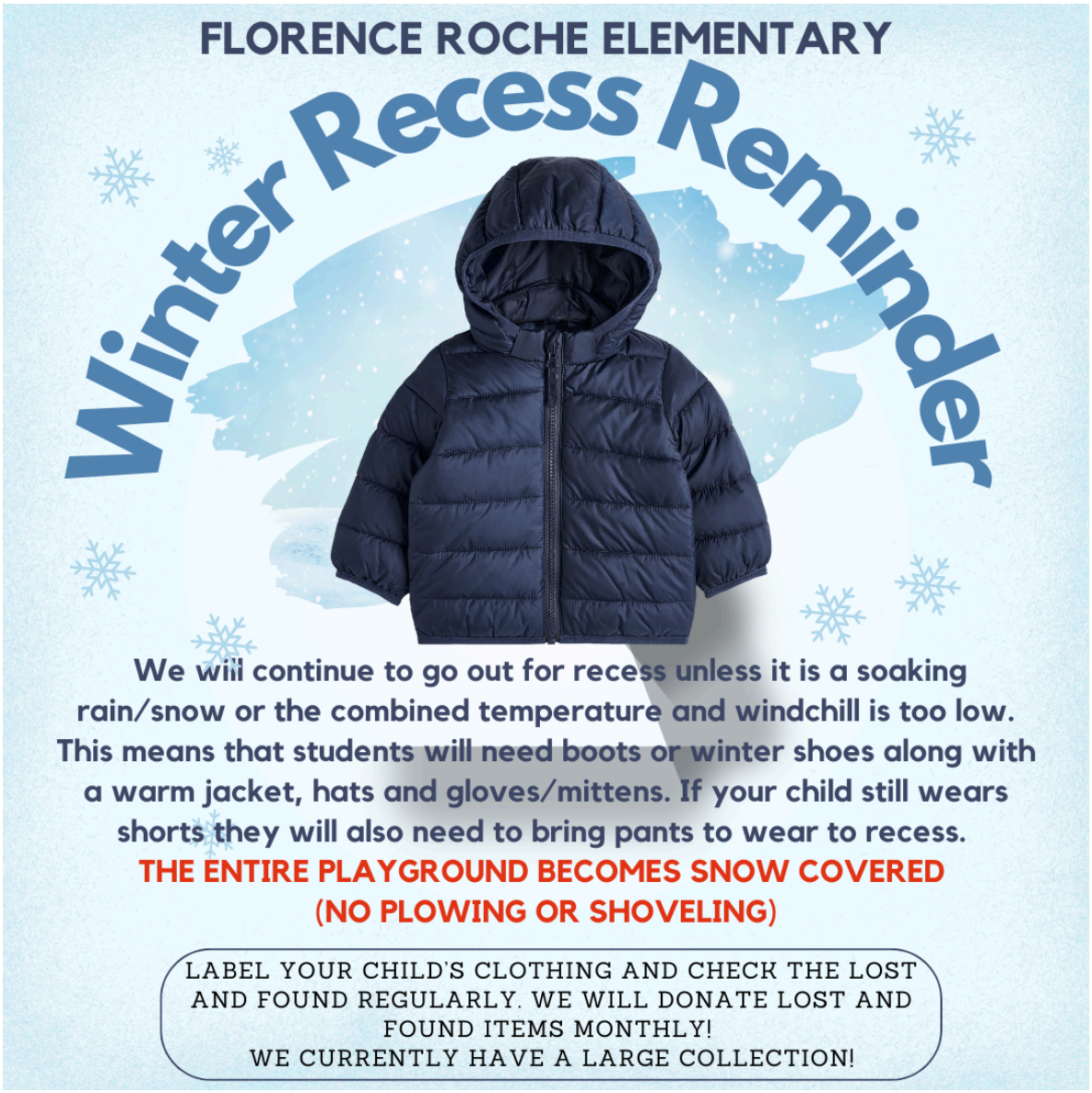
The Term I student report cards will be posted to the parent portal in SchoolBrains after school on Monday, 12/22. If you have trouble accessing the parent portal, please email Phyllis Maynard, pmaynard@gdrsd.org, for support.

Mrs. Plunkett's 4th grade students wrote and produced a FloRo News Report for the month of December. The news features stories about school current events as well as local weather and sports. After the news airs in classrooms on Monday, I will send out a link for families to check out our December news report. This project-based learning experience provides students with opportunities to plan, research and write news stories, practice public speaking skills, collaborate with teammates, and use technology to create a video presentation. We hope you enjoy their project.

Going, Going, Gone!



The remaining items in our lost and found will be donated to a worthy cause after school closes for the vacation break on Tuesday. Please plan to come to school Monday or Tuesday to look through the lost and found if you believe your student has left something behind.


FLORENCE ROCHE ELEMENTARY
Winter Recess Reminder
We will continue to go out for recess unless it is a soaking rain/snow or the combined temperature and windchill is too low. This means that students will need boots or winter shoes along with a warm jacket, hats and gloves/mittens. If your child still wears shorts they will also need to bring pants to wear to recess.
THE ENTIRE PLAYGROUND BECOMES SNOW COVERED
(NO PLOWING OR SHOVELING)
LABEL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING AND CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND REGULARLY. WE WILL DONATE LOST AND FOUND ITEMS MONTHLY!
WE CURRENTLY HAVE A LARGE COLLECTION!

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A Message from GDEF

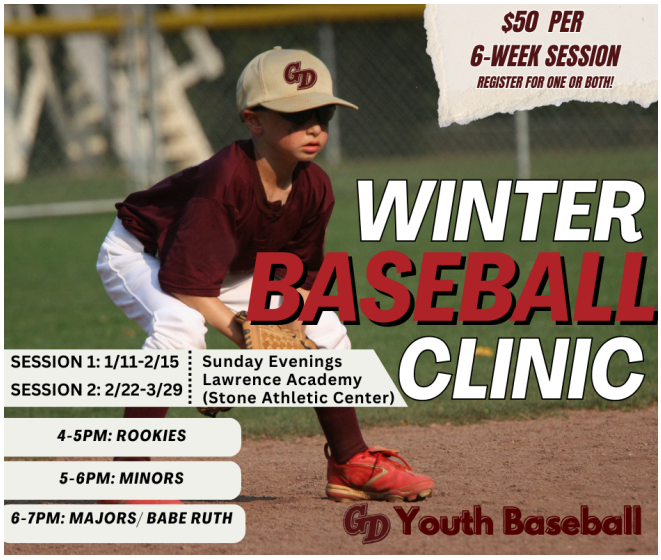
Are you looking for a unique way to recognize a Teacher, Administrator, or Other Staff/Community Member for their hard work and impact they've had on your child? GDEF Teaching Stars are the perfect (easy!) gift! They are a great way to say "Thank You" while helping to enrich the schools in the form of 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!


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ARTS & CRAFTS
BASKETBALL GAMES
AND A PICTURE WITH SANTA!
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https://gofan.co/app/school/MA14585
GROTON-DUNSTABLE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - 703 CHICOPEE ROW - GROTON, MA



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

- **12/23** - Full day
- **12/24 - 1/4/26** - winter vacation -no school
- **1/5/26** - school open

Enjoy the vacation!

Brian