



Trending Now @ GS

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IMPORTANT LINKS: GS Website: <https://www.portlandctschools.org/gildersleeve>
Principal email: rwalstrom@portlandct.us
Contact the office: ptoller@portlandct.us or 860-342-0411
Chromebook Issues: <https://app.pipefy.com/public/form/eT-jSPH5>

From the Principal: We are very fortunate to have Mrs. Aquino substituting for Mrs. Radz in the library as Mrs. Radz is teaching the additional section of fourth grade. Next week, Mrs. Aquino will start meeting with some students to offer in-person reading and math intervention in the afternoon. The groups will be flexible and focus on skills including reading fluency, reading comprehension, mental math computation, place value and math concepts taught in ZEARN. Teachers will update parents/guardians on the progress students have made during spring conferences if they do not reach out prior to that date. In addition to Mrs. Aquino, Mr. Farrelly, third grade student teacher in Mrs. Laskowski's room, Ms. Darby, student teacher in Mrs. Ford's classroom, and Mrs. Murphy, paraprofessional in fourth grade, will offer intervention support at their grade levels. I want to thank these four individuals for their willingness to take on these new roles. I also want to thank the classroom and special education teachers for taking the time to gather and prepare materials for the intervention groups.

-Ryan

Illness Symptoms & Attendance

Please make sure that you are monitoring illness symptoms at home – and **please do not send any children to school who are ill or have COVID-19 symptoms.** If you keep your child home with illness symptoms, we may follow up with you for more information and also to discuss expectations regarding clearance to come to school. Children **with symptoms** who are dismissed from school must receive a negative PCR test to return to school or have a doctor's note clearing them to return. Contact your child's pediatrician for further guidance if needed and please don't hesitate to reach out to me (aworonoff@portlandct.us) with any questions.

CT Travel Advisory Information

Please be aware of Connecticut's Travel Advisory at <https://portal.ct.gov/coronavirus/travel>. If you travel to any state on the list for more than 24 hours, you are required to show proof of a negative Covid test or quarantine for 10 days. There is also a form that needs to be completed upon return to CT. ***An Affected Traveler is exempt from the self-quarantine requirement if the Affected Traveler (1) has had a test for COVID-19 in the seventy-two (72) hours prior to arrival in Connecticut or at any time following arrival in Connecticut, (2) the result of such COVID-19 test is negative, and (3) he or she has provided written proof of such negative test result to the Commissioner of Public Health via email to DPH.COVID-Travel@ct.gov or via facsimile to 860-326-0529. ***This should also be provided to the school as well.***



GS Minute

2/15 President's Day No School

2/16 No School For Students~Professional Dev For Teachers

2/19 CCMC PJ Day Fundraiser~See attachment

From Nurse Ashley:

Please continue to use the Covid-19 Student Screening Tool before sending your child to school. If you are in doubt, keep them home. Do not hesitate to reach out to your pediatrician for advice, and if you have questions, please reach out to me, 860-342-0411, or aworonoff@portlandct.us

