# New Groningen Elementary

### Entertainment Book Sale - Oct 7-21

Save up to 50% on the things you do every day and help New Groningen!

As a service to our families, we are offering the Entertainment membership book to you. You can help support our school for only \$25 and save hundreds of dollars for yourself, friends and family. Your child brought home the sale materials and important information on Friday. The sale will run through Friday, October 21. If you have any questions regarding the sale, please call the office.



October 10, 2016

## Parent/Teacher Conferences Coming In November

This year's Parent/Teacher conferences are November 7, 9, & 10. Conference sign-up for parents with be on-line starting next week. If your child is on a special education, EL, Social Work or Speech caseload, you will be receiving a paper copy to sign up so this staff can coordinate the times. If you do not receive a request, then you will be getting an email next week that asks you to sign up online for the time you would like. This allows you to assign the time you can come, along with coordinating the other children in your home. We will confirm your time after we get them all scheduled by email again. Thanks so much!

If you receive a paper copy of this newsletter, you will also get a paper copy to sign up for conferences attached to this newsletter.

### Dancing With The Teachers Is This Weekend!!!

Dancing With The Teachers is Saturday, October 15th! Performers from New Groningen will include many of our staff. Get your tickets now to watch them perform at 7pm at DeWitt Auditorium. Be sure to order some theme basket tickets too! This has sold out in the past, so get your tickets today!

Event and Theme Basket Ticket ordering information can be found at this link: : <a href="https://sites.google.com/a/zps.org/zeeland-east-west-high-schools-dance-program/">https://sites.google.com/a/zps.org/zeeland-east-west-high-schools-dance-program/</a> or google "Zeeland Dance."



Students will become lifelong learners who are responsible, respectful, and prepared to be global citizens.



#### Penny Carnival Donations>>>

We are asking for donations of individual wrapped penny candy, and small items (pencils, small erasers, etc) which are needed as prizes. Please send in or drop off your donation to the office prior to Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### October -

11<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade FT to Hemlock Crossings

13<sup>th</sup> – Meijer Gardens field trip for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

14<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten FT to Roosevelt Fire Station

14<sup>th</sup> – Popcorn Day

15<sup>th</sup> – Dancing With The Teachers Night – 7 pm

21<sup>st</sup> – Entertainment Book Sale Ends

25<sup>th</sup> – Picture Retake Day

28<sup>th</sup> – Penny Carnival

#### November -

7<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7 pm

9<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Teacher Conferences 2-5 pm

9<sup>th</sup> – Half Day of School for Students – Dismissal at noon

10<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Teacher Conferences 2-8 pm

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### New Groningen Family Association:

Do you have a student at New Groningen?

Then you are invited to our NGFA Meeting on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

See you then!

The mission of New Groningen Elementary School, in partnership with staff, family and community, is to promote learning as a lifelong goal by providing opportunities for all students to succeed.

### **Photos Needed for NG Yearbook**

We need any cool pictures from field trips or school activities for our yearbook. Please send pictures to Sally Becktel at <a href="mailto:sbecktel@zps.org">sbecktel@zps.org</a>.



### **Exciting Happenings at NG**



**Picture Retake Day is October 25th** 

**Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences:** 

November 7<sup>th</sup> – 4-7 pm

November 9<sup>th</sup> – 2-5 pm

November 10<sup>th</sup> – 2-8 pm



Penny Carnival – October 28th

SHAPE Michigan will honor three award recipients at their 2016 Awards Luncheon, which will take place during the annual SHAPE Michigan Convention. One of these awards goes to our very own: Elizabeth (Biz) Geertsma who will receive the Susan J. Kolp Innovator of the Year Award. Congrats Mrs. Geertsma!!!



We believe in fostering relationships between staff, parents, and the local community. We believe in a safe and positive school environment where everyone is treated with respect. We believe that all children can learn through experiences and real life applications.