

G&P Kids News Flash

Hello Families and Students!

Breaking news!! This is Shakia, Neve and Adiba reaching out to you monthly from G&P Kids News Flash. This is about the G&P community from the kids' point of view. But first, let's tell you a little about ourselves and why we 5th graders are writing this. Here are a couple facts about Shakia: she loves cooking curry with her mom, drawing, and any art. A couple things Adiba loves are: reading books and doing art. Neve likes playing tennis and acting. We are writing this because we thought that students should have a say in how they feel about what happens at school.



What & Why

RECESS

Recess is a fun time of the day for students but sometimes it ends up in an argument or a debate. This is why we have a field schedule. Mondays and Thursdays are kickball or baseball. Tuesdays and Fridays are soccer. Last but not least, we have no ball Wednesdays (see page 6). Why do we have this schedule? We have this schedule because the field is nice and soft where a lot of students like to do gymnastics or just sit on the field and talk, while other kids play sports. Before we had this schedule, students could play any sports or other activities on the field during recess. Sometimes students got hurt when a ball hits them when they were just hanging out. When kids were doing handstands they could lose their balance if the ball got near or bumped them and they would fall. When that happened, kids would start to get mad and argue. There also used to be 3 games going on at once. After the teachers thought about the schedule there was a change. Now everything is going well but certain kids find the new schedule unfair. We surveyed a couple classes and here is what they thought.

1st grade: Ms. Inbal 108 1st grade: Ms. Celeste 107

Fair	Unfair		Fair	Unfair
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We also interviewed individual students and a group of kids. A group of 5th grader said it was unfair because "There are 2 days of soccer and we think there should be one day of soccer and two days of no balls on the field, but there is 4 days of sports and 1 day of no balls

on the field which is unfair." Next we interviewed a 4th grader he thought that the field was fair. This is what he said " The field used to be hectic with people kicking each other off the field but now it's fair." We also interviewed another 5th grader. She thinks the field schedule is fair. This is what she thought, "it works out well, when you go to the field you can only do 1 thing which is safe." What do you think about the field schedule?

ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday, Sept 18th there was an assembly or as most people call it the All School Morning Meeting. You may be wondering why it is called the All School Morning Meeting. They call it that because it is where all grades sit together to make a circle and we greet each other and sometimes in different languages. We do it by grade. So 5th grade would greet 4th grade then 4th grade will greet 3rd grade and so on. We also do an activity and Tony makes some announcements. At this all school meeting we greeted each other in English. Here are some announcements Tony made. He talked about the C.A.R.E.S values, Reading Dragon, and welcomed the special start and JK/K. The activity we did was watching the teachers and staff members dance video. Don't forget to visit the reading dragon in the Main Lobby! We broke the school record this year by creating the longest reading dragon ever! Go, G&P!

Thank you for reading the newsletter.