

# Graham's Good News



May 24, 2011

Graham School's instructional focus: **To Comprehend I must read carefully, listen closely, understand fully, and respond thoughtfully.**



## Dates to Remember

**Monday, May 30**

NO SCHOOL- Memorial Day

**Friday, June 3**

Field Day

**Monday, June 6th**

1:00 5th Grade celebration

**June 2- June 8**

2:00 Early Dismissal

**June 9**

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

10:00 Dismissal

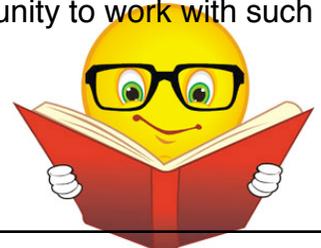
## A Note from the Principal

Dear Graham Families

As you can see from the pictures above the students had a wonderful time on the field trip to Washington Park. They had the opportunity to participate in a picnic lunch, feed the ducks and play on the playground. This privilege was a reward for reading for 300 or more minutes over spring break. Once again students will be encouraged to read over break. All students who read for 600 minutes or more over the summer break will be allowed to participate in a school mystery celebration. Each student at Graham School will be provided with 5 books to read over the break. They may read these books as well as others to accumulate their 600 minutes of reading. A reading log will be sent home with the students and with their bag of books. An extra copy of the reading log will be on our school website. Please list books and/or times individually. A single note which says your child read for 600 minutes with no dates or titles listed will not be accepted for the celebration.

I was thrilled to have so many parents respond to the opportunity to work with their children over the summer with the Summer Options workbook. Working with your children over the summer as well as having them read will continue to help them keep their literacy and math skills sharp so there is less summer loss for students. I am proud to say I get the opportunity to work with such a dedicated group of families.

Working together we can help your children achieve outstanding results.





## REGISTRATION

### for 2011/2012 School year

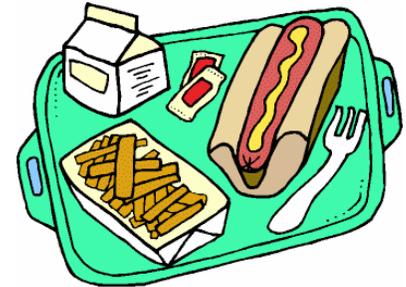
**Come in to register your child for the 2011/2012 school year ASAP!**

**Every student attending Graham School next year must register now.**

**You must bring 3 current proofs of address with you. If you have any questions or cannot come on this date please call the main office 525-3220.**

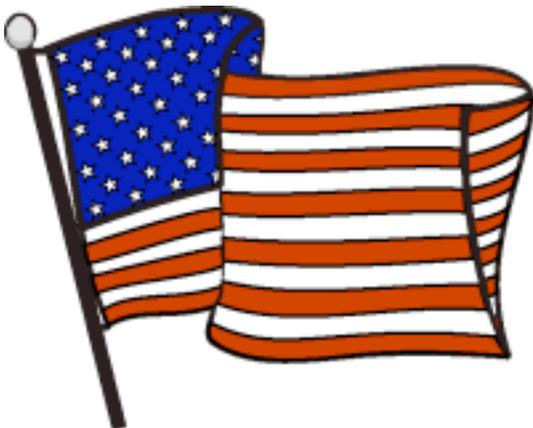
### Lunch/Recess Change

The CATCH team and the Universal team at Graham School have discussed the possibility of having the students play outside before eating lunch. These discussions were had based upon recent research which shows that students eat better and are more settled when reporting back to their classrooms for afternoon work. So, we are going to pilot this for the remainder of the year. Beginning Monday, May 23, students will report outside before they come to the cafeteria to eat. The times



will remain exactly the same; 4th and 5th grade- 11:30-12:15, 2nd and 3rd grade- 11:55-12:40 & Kdg and 1st grade- 12:15-1:00. We are piloting this program, seeing how it affects our students and working out any bugs to see if we want to continue this model for next year.

**There will be NO  
SCHOOL, Monday May  
30th in honor of  
Memorial Day.**



### Field Day and Picnic

Graham School's annual Field Day and Picnic is coming up on June 3rd. Please read the letter regarding rules and regulations for this year's festivities. Do not forget to send your RSVP for the picnic lunch to Ms. Sue if you are coming for lunch.