

# Paw Prints

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## GRANT RANCH SCHOOL ECE-8



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About Paw Prints 2019-2020





Paw Prints is a monthly newsletter for Grant Ranch School. This is an important communication link for parents and includes important happenings at our school.

You can read, download, and print this newsletter monthly on the Grant Ranch Webpage.

<u>http://</u> grantranch.dpsk12.org

#### A Message from Dr. Hurrieta, Grant Ranch Principal

Looking back on this school year, it has been quite interesting. We started the year normally and have ended it in a way that we never could have imagined. As I look back on the year, I have fond memories of the father daughter dance, the morning meetings with students, and the many sporting events. While the year did not end as we anticipated, it did end with an appreciation of our teachers honoring their hard work. Many parents now have a different appreciation for teachers since they have become teachers in their own homes!

You - our students and families have gone above and beyond and logging into remote learning, figuring out new platforms and becoming much more involved in teaching that you could have imagined. I truly appreciate how supportive and flexible everyone has been during the pandemic and this time of remote learning. We are all experiencing an historical event. Our students will be able to tell their children about the pandemic of 2020!

We usually ask you to update your information in August just prior to returning to school. This year we are able to offer you the option to complete this process in May! Here is the <u>Annual Family Update Navigation Guide</u> and a <u>Flyer</u> with more information. You will need to create a <u>Parent Portal Account</u> in order to log in and complete the update.

There will be more information coming about the beginning of next school year. We know it will not be the same as other years. The district is working on plans that will be shared closer to the end of the school year and over the summer. We will continue to send you messages throughout the summer to keep you updated. You can also check the district website: dpsk12.org, for updated information.

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#### A Message from the Principal, continued...

After all is said and done, we wrap up the year with memories of each other. Yearbooks will be for sale in the parking lot when you pick up your child's belongings on May 27th or 28th. Two thirds of the school year were spent in the building. Let's remember and celebrate that time too! That is what the year book reflects.

Mirando hacia atrás en este año escolar, ha sido bastante interesante. Comenzamos el año normalmente y lo hemos terminado de una manera que nunca podríamos haber imaginado. Cuando miro hacia atrás, tengo buenos recuerdos del baile de padre e hija, las reuniones matutinas con los estudiantes y muchos eventos deportivos. Aunque el año no terminó como anticipamos, sí terminó con una apreciación de nuestros maestros por honrar su arduo trabajo. ¡Muchos padres ahora tienen una apreciación diferente por los maestros ya que se han convertido en maestros en sus propios hogares!

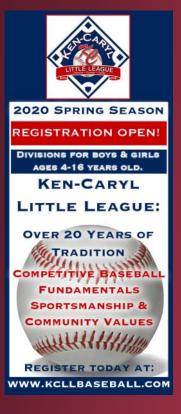
Ustedes - nuestros estudiantes y sus familias han sobresalido y han iniciado sesión en el aprendizaje remoto, descubriendo nuevas plataformas y participando mucho más en la enseñanza que podrían haber imaginado. Realmente aprecio cuán solidario y flexible han sido todos durante la pandemia y esta vez de aprendizaje remoto. Todos estamos experimentando un evento histórico. ¡Nuestros estudiantes podrán contarles a sus hijos sobre la pandemia de 2020!

Por lo general, le pedimos que actualice su información en agosto justo antes de regresar a la escuela. ¡Este año podemos ofrecerle la opción de completar este proceso en mayo! Aquí está la Guía de navegación de actualización familiar anual y un folleto con más información. Deberá crear una cuenta de Portal para padres para iniciar sesión y completar la actualización.

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#### A Message from the Principal, continued...

Habrá más información sobre el comienzo del próximo año escolar. Sabemos que no será lo mismo que otros años. El distrito está trabajando en planes que se compartirán más cerca del final del año escolar y durante el verano. Continuaremos enviándole mensajes durante todo el verano para mantenerlo actualizado. También puede consultar el sitio web del distrito: dpsk12.org, para obtener información actualizada.

Después de todo lo dicho y hecho, terminamos el año con recuerdos el uno del otro. Los anuarios estarán a la venta en el estacionamiento cuando recoja las pertenencias de su hijo el 27 o 28 de mayo. Dos tercios del año escolar se gastaron en el edificio. ¡Recordemos y celebremos ese momento también! Eso es lo que refleja el anuario.

#### **Digital 8th Grade Graduation Presentation**

As we are closing out the year, we have to say goodbye to our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Grizzlies, and we need to do it with style! The 8<sup>th</sup>Grade Continuation Planning Committee will publish an 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Continuation Slide Show on May 28, 2020. This presentation will be emailed to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Families. Look on the Grant Ranch Facebook Page and Grant Ranch Web page for details. Continuation certificates will be mailed to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

#### **Summer Resources**

Given the circumstances of this year, there is a challenge to make sure our kids are getting what they need; the summer months may feel the same way. The SEL team has put together summer resources that may come in handy. Please post the link to our document in your classrooms: <u>GRS</u> <u>Student and Family Summer Resources</u>.

\*\*We will keep updating this document with more resources\*\*

If a family is requesting a specific resource and you are not sure, please contact an SEL team member or visit our <u>GRS SEL Website</u>. We have community, mental health, and parent resources, as well as summer activities and other self-care resources.



### **Online Yearbooks Sales – April 6 – June 16**

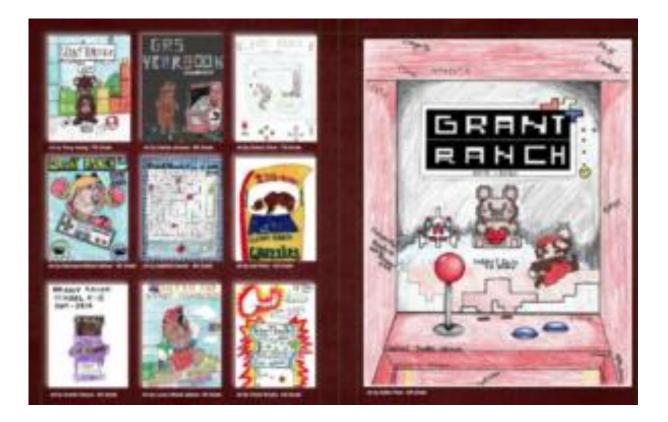
Cost - \$17.00

Choose Denver as the city in your online order

We will announce an upcoming date to pick up your purchased yearbook at Grant Ranch.

Use this form to order your yearbook.

https://grantranch.dpsk12.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/25/ Community PurchaseGRSYearbook.pdf



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#### **Gifted and Talented News**

## **Creativity Menu**

Keep your imagination and creative thinking flowing all summer with the Creativity Menu! Select a creativity square to complete. Once you complete that activity, color it in. Then you can select another square to complete. Can you do all nine?

Parents – send images of completed activities to <u>Grizzlysupersleuth@gmail.com</u> for a chance to be featured on our Facebook page!

Create a setting using rocks or stones.	Cupcake/cake imposter! Decorate a cake or cupcake to look like a vegetable.	Using sticks, create a mobile (a structure that is suspended and moves freely in the air) that has the planets on it.
Paint or draw a picture of your favorite place in nature.	Using clay or play dough, create a sculpture of your favorite animal.	Using the materials listed below, build a bridge that will support 30 pennies. - toothpicks
		- 10 mini marshmallows <u>OR</u> 2 regular size marshmallows
Using a cardboard tube and a rubber band, create a marshmallow launcher. How far can you launch your marshmallow?	Using pencils, rubber bands, and a plastic spoon, create a catapult.	Imagine you could spend your summer anywhere in the world. Where is it? Draw what you imagine using sidewalk chalk outside for others to enjoy, or on a piece of paper.





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