Gardner Elementary Board Report, March 2025

Team Member of the Month



Mrs. Katie Lee's nomination:

"Mrs. Lee is the kind of teammate everyone hopes to have. She is always willing to step in wherever she's needed, whether that means covering a class last minute, helping a student who needs extra support, or just offering a listening ear after a long day. She does all of this with a positive attitude and a genuine care for both students and staff. She is the coworker and friend that everyone needs.

Her flexibility and dependability make a huge difference in our school. No matter what the challenge is, Mrs. Lee handles it with grace and professionalism. She makes our team stronger by always being there to support us, and she does it without expecting recognition, though she absolutely deserves it!

We are so lucky to have Mrs. Lee!"

Recent Events

- Our SHOW Service group led by Mrs. Tamil Shufelt earned over \$700 with their rummage sale. Funds will be used for outside equipment for recess time.
- Congratulations to Watson Bloebaum who won this year's spelling bee.
- Our Gardner Parent Book Club met on March 3 to discuss *Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt. We will meet again on April 5.
- Thank you to Monroe County Electric who visited on March 4 to share a Live Line demonstration about electricity safety.
- Our current POP session focuses on the contributions that each student makes in his or her class. We also ended our meeting with a zany pass the laugh session to help us start the day after some giggles.
- Read Across America week let us travel in books to all 50 states and multiple countries.
- We enjoyed Bright Breakfast on Monday after time changed to give us something to look forward to. All students were offered a free breakfast boost.
- 91 percent of our students and 8 percent of parents have completed the 5Essentials Survey.
- We have started IAR test practice so that students feel prepared with content and online navigation.

Looking Forward

- March 21. Kids Heart Challenge
- March 29. Mr Brake, our music teacher, will be traveling with students to ILMEA competition.
 - Week of March 31. IAR Testing