SPRING/SUMMER 2019

Events

Last Day of Class: June 5th and June 6th

End of Year Celebration: Sunday, June 9 at 3 PM Jay Gee's Fun Center, Methuen. M**A**

Registration 2019-2020 Is now open

First day of school: Sept. 18 and 19 2019

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Christos Anesti! GGT Parents!

Congratulations to all students, teachers, and family members of GGT on our second successful school year! With your continued support, GGT will grow and expand for the benefit of all our children. Looking forward to the 2019-2020 school year!

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Your quaterly guide to the school News and informations and Events

First Grade Primer

GGT's new post graduate program

Exciting news! GGT is proud to announce the creation of its post-graduate program **THELO! (Teen Hellenic Educational & Language Organization)** for students ages 12-15! Students will explore our Greek language, culture, and heritage through a thematic curriculum, and participate in weekly, cooperative learning activities, and classroom discussions in Greek that are relevant to teens while bonding with their peers through group-based projects. They will continue to ac-

quire and expand writing, reading, comprehension, and conversational skills through fun, interactive classroom activities and small group instruction, and will enjoy guest speakers and field trips that reflect Hellenic ideals including art, music, science, theater, and athletics. Students will maintain and establish new friendships through this unique learning approach. Beginning in the fall of 2019, classes will be held on **Thursdays from 4:30 – 6:30 at 1580 Massachusetts Avenue, Lexington,**



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MA. Friends of GGT families are welcome to participate. To register for this exciting new program, please visit:

https://www.ggtutoring.com/ages-12-15-graduate-program

Registration Reminder for 2019: Please register your children as soon as possible for the school year 2019-2020. **To register now visit:** https://www.ggtutoring.com/registration

End of the Year Celebration

End of the Year Celebration will be held on **SUNDAY, JUNE 9 AT 3 PM** at **Jay Gee's Fun Center, Methuen. MA** http://jaygees.com

Cost is \$20 per child and includes pizza, rides, Go-Karts, bumper boats, mini golf, batting cage, bumper, cars and an opportunity to congratulate our graduates **Polixeni Ververis** and **Sofia Vrakas** !



Special Announcements

• We would like to thank board member **Maria-Elena Biskini-Lourotou** for all of her efforts and commitment to GGT during the past several years and wish her and her family our very best as they begin a new adventure in Texas! We will miss but never forget the entire Lourotos family!

• GGT is pleased to announce the addition of two new teachers to support our growing school! We welcome **Kyria Marilena Tsigarida** and **Kyria Eleni Vastis** to our GGT faculty!

• Last day of classes are June 5th and June 6th

Reflection

As we approach the close of the 2018-2019 school year, let's take a moment to reflect on all of the activities and accomplishments our students have achieved with the support of their teachers and families.

February: Students learned about the Three Hierarchs

March: A very busy month with extra activities including lessons on Kathera Deftera (children also sampled foods appropriate for fasting). Our first Apokreatiko Dinner Dance was held and it was a huge success thanks to the hard work of our board members and support from GGT families and its community! The preparation for the 25th of March kept everyone busy with rehearsals of the program, students' lines, and songs. Students participated in dance lessons and performed at the end of the program. We thank Nektaria Bougas, Thalia Cocconi, and Mina Papoulidis for offering their time to teach and rehearse with the children! Extra curricula activities included designing invitations for the 25th of March celebration, a project that was developed and led by **Nitsa Wollen**, our educational consultant, thank you, Nitsa! A big thank you to Michele Bonos for photographing all of the children and capturing their beautiful faces during the March 25th celebration! We thank Tanya Stamoulis for taking on another first activity at GGT, the production of "I'm Proud to Be Greek." Students conveyed their messages on video tape and it was shown at the 25th of March celebration. It was a touching and proud moment for our students! Click here to view the video: https://www.facebook.com/ggtutoring/videos/250966475858700/

April: What an amazing showing of students, teachers, family members, and friends of GGT as we marched in the Greek Independence Day Parade in Boston. We thank **Michael Ververis** for coordinating the box truck (a first and one of a kind display in the parade!) that streamed beautiful pictures of our students and teachers throughout the parade! We kicked off our Lending Library with the help of **Angie Saratsopoulou**, thank you, Angie!

May: Students learned about Protomayia and made stefania for their homes! Students and families showed their appreciation for their teachers during National Teach Appreciation Week with flowers and notes of thanks! We thank, and love our dedicated and awesome teachers! **Kyria Marika** and **Kyria Dimitra** conducted a simple assessment of basic skills with our kindergarteners which will serve to further develop and expand our K and K1 one programs for next year.

Finally, a special thanks to all board members, **Tanya, Effie, Nitsa, Maria Elena, Christina, Stacy, Tina & Pam,** for their tireless efforts and commitment to GGT. And, to our amazing teachers, we thank **Kyria Popi Moustakas, Kyria Eleni Kosmidis, Kyria Dimitra Grompou** and **Kyria Marika Groussis**for their dedication to teaching and guiding all of the students of GGT - We thank you! Wishing you a happy and safe summer! See you in the fall!

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