

# THE PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

## JANUARY NEWSLETTER



### Welcome to 2016!

Welcome to 2016! We are ready to get back at it on Monday, January 4th. I hope you had a beautiful Christmas and relaxing time with your families. The end of 2nd quarter is January 14th. There is a lot going on in January, so please take the time to read through this email.



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## SAVE THE DATE: JANUARY

## 2016

### HOLIDAYS AND EVENTS:

- 01: New Year's Day
- 04: Back to School
- 08: Friday School Begins
- 12: Grande Innovation Academy Info Meeting
- 14: Orchard Planting Day
- 20: Grande Innovation Academy Info Meeting
- 22: Parent Teacher Conferences
- 25: Grande Innovation Academy Info Meeting
- 28: KUDOS – National School Choice Week

JANUARY 2016						
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

During the December 17th Parent Reception I announced the re-chartering of the school. The new name is: Grande Innovation Academy (GIA). We'll be offering K-8th grade next year.

There are 4 more school informational school meetings scheduled:

- January 12, 2016 8:00 am
- January 20, 2016 4:15 pm
- January 25, 2016 7:30 am
- February 1, 2016 5:30 pm



## SOCIAL MEDIA



GIA is all over social media: FB, Twitter, YouTube and Pinterest. Please share away!

Our website is slowly evolving, but one new highlight is that ALL FB posts are streaming on the website. You no longer need a Facebook account to see the announcements. Just log onto:

[www.grandeinnovationacademy.com](http://www.grandeinnovationacademy.com)

GIA is working hard to ensure that you receive announcements and updates in the manner that works best for you.

Twitter: [https://twitter.com/GIA\\_CasaGrande](https://twitter.com/GIA_CasaGrande)

Pinterest: <https://www.pinterest.com/grandeinnov0610/>

Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/Grande-Innovation-Academy-916440178388797/timeline?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/Grande-Innovation-Academy-916440178388797/timeline?ref=page_internal)

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKFZoWydhcNWyXOhQW61x4A>

# GARDEN UPDATES



## FRIDAY SCHOOL begins January 8<sup>th</sup> (No more after school tutoring).

If you received a letter for Friday School please return it to the front office on Monday.

Friday School Procedures: The tutors will be in the office waiting for you to drop-off your scholar. Once they arrive they'll go to a classroom to work. After their time is up the tutors will walk them to the office to be picked up. (Remember...the front doors will be locked.) If parents aren't on time the scholars will be taken to Friday Care.

## ENROLLMENT PAPERWORK

**Enrollment Paperwork** (from every scholar who is returning next year) is due by February 4th. If you have any questions please stop in or call.



## Canned Food Drive NFL Style! January 11<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>



Here's how it will work:

Your child's classroom will be choosing a TEAM and your scholar can bring in canned (or packaged) food or food labels that represents that team's colors.

FOR EXAMPLE: Green Bay classroom...anything green or gold (yellow) works. Green beans, corn, mac--n-cheese, etc.

**LET'S REFILL THE FOOD BANK SHELVES!**

## FRUIT TREE ORCHARD PLANTING DAY

**JANUARY 14, 2016**

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!**

**We won a fruit tree orchard grant and will be planting 30 trees!**

This is also wear a t-shirt with uniform pants/shorts for a **\$1.00**. The t-shirt color is brown or black...because it's the color of dirt...and all scholars will be planting.



## PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

January 22, 2016

Teachers will be contacting you for a time if they feel a conference is necessary. You may also request a conference by emailing the teacher.

## NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

January 25-28, 2016



Celebrate school choice during our KUDOS event January 28th @ 7:30 a.m. Be sure your scholar has a scarf for the dance that morning! All week you'll notice our staff wearing bright yellow scarves to celebrate National School Choice week!

## MARKET ON THE MOVE

January 23, 2016

TOPA is volunteering. SO please mark your calendars and come out to volunteer. We need about 60 volunteers. It's located at the old outlet mall. (Formerly City Gate) It begins at 8:00 a.m., but volunteers need to be there by 7:00-7:30 a.m. It's a great way to give back to the community and to hang out with your school family!



## INNOVATIVE PARENTS COUNCIL (IPC)

A **NEW** opportunity for Grand Innovation Academy parents to become more involved. There are meetings set-up for March, April, and May. Any parent, guardian, grandparents, etc. can attend to get more school info and help us plan events!

We are working hard to ensure a smooth transition from TOPA to GIA. This parent group will be an integral part of that transition. We welcome all of you to join us for these meetings.

The meetings have been planned for the first Monday of the month. Times will alternate between mornings (7:30 a.m.) or in the evening (5:30 p.m.) in order to accommodate busy schedules.

Thank you for your support as we move into our 2nd semester of the school year! **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**