## **GNR Room Parents 2020-2021**

If you are interested in volunteering to be Head/Assistant Room parent for your child(ren)'s classroom for the 2020-2021 school year, please go to <a href="www.gnrpto.org">www.gnrpto.org</a> and click on the "Volunteer" tab, followed by the "Room Parent". All activities will be virtual until further notice.

As room parent, your main responsibility will be to coordinate special activities throughout the year with your child's teacher. These may include the following events:

## **VIRTUAL ONLY**

- October Halloween
- November -- Thanksgiving
- December (usually before winter break) Winter Celebration

2021 - TBD at a later date

- February -- Valentine's Day and/or 100th Day of School
- March -- Dr. Seuss Day
- May Poster of Appreciation for Teacher Appreciation Week (and you may plan a surprise

for the teacher)

Please coordinate directly with your child's teacher regarding which events he/she may need your assistance with. There may be additional events, depending on your grade. Please do not wait for the teacher to contact you. Some teachers may not even realize that they get wonderful parent volunteers to help them with celebrations.

Once room parent sign-ups are completed, we encourage the head room parent to reach out to his/her fellow head room parents and/or assistants as soon as possible. If there is no head room parent listed, please coordinate among yourselves to decide who will take the lead, or just work together as a group.

It is also suggested that you send a welcome letter to the parents to let them know that you will be the room parent. Let them know that you will be coordinating events for the school year, and collecting craft and/or teacher gift money (if you choose to do so) throughout the year. This letter can be sent via email. Please remember that our school has a NO FOOD policy for in-class celebrations. Classroom events should be craft and/or game focused. Dr. Seuss Day will involve book themed door or bulletin board/wall decorating. Please contact the teacher to determine how he or she wants to handle each event. After that conversation, please reach out to the other parents in your class for contribution of items and/or to volunteer to attend the celebration.

Thank you for volunteering

-GNR PTO