

Emerson Elementary School



Falcon Flyer

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Dear Emerson Families;

With winter quickly approaching, please be sure you know how to find emergency school schedule information. You can refer to the Emergency Closure page under the Parents tab on district website for full details and other resources. School closure information is usually available by 5:30am and the information can be found/communicated via the following methods:

- www.schoolreport.org You can subscribe to receive notices at the same time those notices are sent to media outlets, or you can bookmark this site to check for a listing of regional school emergency schedule information.
- Media news reports (Media gets information from www.schoolreport.org)
- District website: www.everettsd.org
- District information line at 425-385-4636
- *Blackboard Connect** calls, emails and text messages made to school families beginning as early as 5:45am. ****Please be sure your contact information is up to date at your school.***
- Program **impact chart** outlines how various school programs and activities are impacted when school is cancelled or starts late.

There will be **NO ANNOUNCEMENT** made when schools are on a regular schedule.

Snow bus routes are also available online on the district website as well. School drop off and pick up locations may change in an emergency situation. If your child rides a bus to or from school, please become familiar with the snow route information on the web under the Parents tab.

Also, as the weather gets colder, please make sure your students are dressing appropriately for the weather. Every student goes outside for recess every day so please be sure they are dressing for the weather with a warm coat and/or layers. Also, please label your students coats or jackets with their name and if your student has misplaced any of their warm weather items, be sure you are checking the Lost and Found bin located in the cafeteria.

Wishing everyone a Warm and Happy Holiday Season! Enjoy this time with your families and we will see you in the New Year!

Sincerely,

Donna Kapustka, Principal

Calendar of Events

December 12	LI Friday-2:10pm dismissal	December 22- January 2	WINTER BREAK-NO SCHOOL
December 18	Falcon Assemblies 9:30am and 2:45pm	January 9	LI Friday-2:10pm dismissal
December 18	PTA Meeting 7pm in Library	January 15	PTA Meeting 7pm in Library
December 19	Twin Spirit Day!	January 16	LI Friday-2:10pm dismissal
December 19	LI Friday-2:10pm dismissal	January 19	NO SCHOOL- MLK Day

Emerson's Rule: Everyone has the right to learn and feel safe without interference.

State law requires that we have a Doctor *and* parent signature before *any* medications, over the counter or prescription, are allowed at school. This includes **cough drops, Tylenol, Advil**, etc. If you feel your child needs to have medicine at school and are not sure if it is ok please call the health room 425-385-6206 or the main office 425-385-6200.



Parent communication system messages

Did you miss the last recorded call from us? If you would like to hear the most recent recorded calls made to your phone, dial 1-877-737-5291 (1-877-REPLAY1) from the primary phone on which you received calls from the district. You will hear a list of the most recent recorded messages sent to your phone. Select the message that you would like to hear.



Falcons in the Library

Hello and Welcome to the Emerson Library! Please feel free to stop in and say hello. I am the new librarian, Gwen Papenhausen. Email: gpapenhausen@everettsd.org 425 385-6208

Fun and Exciting things are happening in the library every day.

In November our **Kindergarteners** enjoyed, [Sophie's Squash](#), and [The Plump and Perky Turkey](#). We continue to sign songs, dance and explore books in the library.

Grades 1-4 are currently reading the Washington State Children's Choice Award Nominees. After reading all twenty, we will vote on our favorite in the spring. We have read a new nominee: [Sophie's Squash](#). A great fall read. We were able to compare the illustrations of the book to the season we are now experiencing. We are becoming more familiar with the library, using the online catalog to locate titles, and checking out our AR and choice books.

Fourth and Fifth graders were offered a chance to be the first to read our new Washington State Sasquatch Books. Some of the new titles include, [Wonder](#), [Have a Hot Time in Hades](#), [The Grave Robber's Apprentice](#) and [The Puzzler's Mansion](#). Select students will be creating a short video book review that will be shared with the other classes.

I hope to "**caught ya**" your student, when they are in the library. These cards are passed out when students are doing what is asked and expected in the library. Our first "caught ya" auction is scheduled for the week of December 15.

Shelf Elves Club is going strong. We have 26 awesome 5th grade students who help in the library for 20 minutes, before, during lunch recess, and after school. Stop in to see the "guess the baby", posters outside the library. We are currently sending our secret shelf elf notes and pictures, and will reveal ourselves at our holiday party, Thursday, December 18 3:30-4:30.

Box Top Blow Out! Keep up the great effort; we will have another turn in March 2. Let's see if we can exceed our \$1000 goal and see the thermometer in the library explode!

Remember to continue to read and expose your children to books. It opens up a whole new world to them.

Children are made readers on the laps of their parents." — Emilie Buchwald

This is to notify you that a case of lice has been identified at school. This case has been referred to the child's parent for immediate attention and appropriate treatment. Lice are tiny reddish-brown (or clear in color when they first hatch) bugs. Nits are tiny clear, white, yellow, brown or gray, dandruff appearing eggs on the hair shaft. The eggs will cling to the hair rather than flake off like dandruff. Evidence of lice can usually be seen first at the base of the neck or over the ears.

Lice are spread through head to head contact or when personal items are shared (combs, hats, scarves). It takes about 1 week for nits or eggs to hatch. If you believe your child has evidence of lice, we strongly advise you to contact your health care provider, pharmacist, the Snohomish County Health District or school for directions and available resources.

Please notify the school as soon as possible if your child has been infested, 425-385-6200.

Thank you!



Everett Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are: Affirmative Action Officer, Carol Stolz, 3715 Oakes Ave., Everett, WA 98201, 425-385-4106; Title IX Officer and 504 Coordinator, Randi Seaberg, 3715 Oakes Ave., Everett, WA 98201, 425-385-4104; ADA Coordinator, Kristine McDowell, 4730 Colby Ave, Everett, WA 98203 425-385-5250. (Email address for each is FirstInitialLastName@everettsd.org)

DECEMBER MIND AND MUSCLE

From Mr. Niegemann in the Gym

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8 Write the first 3 scores for a tennis game. 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____	9 Predict how many baskets you will make from the foul line in one minute. Prediction: _____ Actual _____	10 Work on your V-sit and reach flexibility tests. Why is it unsafe to bounce while stretching?	11 Read food labels. Find out how many calories you consumed for dessert and do that many jumping jacks.	12 Play catch with a football, then learn how to do your "snap" (number) signals 1-10 in Spanish or French. ("Ready, set, uno, dos.")	13 Perform 25 push-ups. If someone paid you \$1.50 for each one, how much would you make?	14 Jog and count the number of windows and doors in your house. Develop an emergency exit plan in case of fire.
15 Predict how many steps it will take to walk one block. Prediction _____ Actual _____	16 Practice kicking a soccer ball across a large field. Can you reach the other side faster with long kicks or short quick kicks close to your foot?	17 Create a Frisbee golf course in your yard. Develop a scorecard and challenge your family to a game.	18 Dance to the oldies and make up a dance riddle. "Like an old game that stretches hands and FEET. A heavy-set singer sets it to a BEAT." (Chubby Checker, "The Twist")	19 The average heart beats 100,000 times a day. Take your pulse three times today. Morning _____ Afternoon _____ Evening _____	20 Work on spinning three different kinds of balls. What provides the spin?	21 Predict how many minutes and seconds it will take to RUN around the block. Prediction _____ Actual _____
22 Create a new dance and give it a name that sounds like the actual dance movements.	23 Practice throwing a ball off a wall at an angle and try to predict where it will rebound.	24 Count your calories for 1 day. _____ calories consumed.	25 Create a 3-person balance where two people are off the floor.	26 Play a game of sit-up tic-tac-toe with a partner. Find paper and pencil. Alternate sit-ups and mark the grid.	27 Without looking at a map, write down all of the fifty states you know. Do a push-up for each one you don't know.	28 Read a sports story in the newspaper. Then go and play that sport.
30 Print the alphabet while in a push-up position.	31 Invent a new racquet sport that can be played indoors with a flat hand and a rolled up sock.					

District needs certificated and classified substitutes!

We still need more substitutes for this school year. For individuals who do not hold the appropriate teacher certification, but otherwise meet the district's employment qualifications, the district will request that the state issue emergency substitute certificates.

- Substitute teachers:** Are you interested in becoming a substitute teacher for Everett Public Schools and have a four-year degree and successful experience working with youth? If so, we want to hear from you. Please [apply online](#) for the **emergency substitute teacher** posting (#14-*10). Include a letter of interest, resume, two confidential reference forms, one being from a district employee, and three letters of recommendation. The district will provide training in classroom management, teaching strategies and other practical tips.
- Paraeducator substitutes:** The district also needs paraeducator substitutes. Paraeducators help with student supervision, instruction, and health room activities. If you are interested in becoming a paraeducator substitute, please [apply online for posting #14-*4](#).

If you have questions, contact Carol Stolz at cstolz@everettsd.org.