Hawthorne Hawk News

HAWTHORNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

November 2023

From the Principal

Hello Hawthorne Families!

We are excited to welcome families into our school building this month for family and teacher conferences starting on November 13th. Teachers will start to schedule those conferences this week by sending letters home with suggested and available times. Our multilingual department will work with teachers and families to schedule translators, and our instructional coaches are helping to prepare materials for teachers to share. Mrs. Reyes and I love attending conferences to support students, families and teachers. If you would like us to attend, please feel free to reach out by calling the main office at (425)385-4600 or email me at jellsworth@everettsd.org.

In the month of November, we will be recognizing and celebrating our community veterans of service in the United States Armed Forces. If you or a loved one is a veteran, please consider attending our assembly on November 9th at either 8:50am or 9:10am. We would love to recognize you for your service, and our students will be performing for you. All three of my brothers in law are veterans, and I appreciate the deep sacrifices and commitment to our community. Thank you for your service.

November has a very disrupted calendar for students and staff members. Please make sure to stay up to date with our early release dates on November 3, 13-17. We also have no school days on Nov. 10, 22-24. This can lead to changes in students after school dismissal plans. If your child's "going home" plan changes, please notify our office staff as soon as possible. It is also a good idea to contact the teacher directly. Our goal is to always ensure that students make it safely to their afterschool destination. Last minute changes can create confusion for students and staff. Thank you for working with us to communicate early changes that may affect your students.

Thank you to all of the parents, teachers, and community members that came and supported our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Trunk or Treat event on October 27th. It was a huge success with over 300 children from the community participating. If you are interested in joining the PTA, please reach out to me or attend our upcoming meeting on November 20th.

Thank you, Jacob Ellsworth Principal

Jacob EllsworthPrincipal

Hawthorne Elementary School

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Nov. 3

Release Day Dismissal @ 12:20pm

Nov. 6

Social and Emotional Night 5:00-6:00pm

Nov. 9

HAWK/Veterans Day Assembly 3-5 @ 8:50am/K-2 @ 9:20am

Nov. 10

Veterans Day/ No School

Nov. 13-17

Parent/ Teacher Conferences Dismissal @ 12:20pm

Nov. 20

PTA Meeting 6:00 – 7:00pm

Nov. 21

Spirit Day: Free Dress!

Nov. 22-24

Fall Break/ No School

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Hawthorne Social Emotional Learning Night! Nov. 6 @ 5:00pm

Our amazing counselor team will be hosting a social-emotional learning night for families. There will be pizza, games and activities. This is a chance to connect the school's social and emotional learning to your child's daily home life. There will be stations set up for families to make tools to support student's social and emotional development at home. This a night for the whole family!

HAWKS/ Veterans Day Assembly! Nov. 9 @ 8:50am/9:20am

At our monthly HAWKS award assembly, we will be recognizing students who demonstrated ownership for their behavior and learning in the month of October. Parents of students being recognized will receive communication, and we encourage parents to attend. At this special HAWKS assembly, we will also be recognizing and performing for our community veterans.

Spirit Day- Free Dress! Nov. 21

For the last day before Fall Break, we will be having a spirit free dress day. Students will not be required to wear their uniform, and they can come in their best attire. Please ensure that students are dressed appropriately for learning and the weather outside.

Native American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month

November is Native American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month. What started at the turn of the century as an effort to gain a day of recognition for the significant contributions the first Americans made to the establishment and growth of the U.S., has resulted in a whole month being designated for that purpose.



Daylight Saving Time Ends



November 5, 2023, Daylight Savings Time Ends and we "fall back" one hour.

Remember to vote Nov. 7

Remember to deliver your ballot to a ballot drop box near you or put it in the mail by Nov. 7. Postage is not required for ballots.



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November Holidays - schools closed

This is a friendly reminder there is no school on November 10 for Veterans Day and for Thanksgiving break, which is November 22 - 24.

School performance report

Each school's performance report is available online on our school's website. More information is available on the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction website. At the bottom under data and research, click on "School Report Card" and select Everett from the list of districts.

Harvest of the Month

This month, the Food and Nutrition department brings you squash grown in the PNW! Be sure to give them a try this month in our roasted squash or pumpkin custard!

Did you know there are two groups of squash, winter and summer? Find out more by checking out the Harvest of the Month flyer on the district <u>website</u>.

May the gourd be with you!



Is my child too sick for school?

Is my child too sick to go to school? It is no fun being sick, but we also care about protecting students and their families from contagious diseases, so we ask you keep your student home when they are sick.

Keeping ill students at home and encouraging frequent hand washing protects us all. While we regret any inconvenience this may cause, following these guidelines will result in fewer absences and less illnesses overall.



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Please visit the <u>district's website</u> to learn more. If you still have questions about whether your student is healthy enough to come to school, contact the school nurse or your child's health care provider.

Receive information the way you prefer

This is a friendly reminder that parents and guardians can select their preferred method of communication so they will not get the same message in multiple formats unless they choose to. Below are some steps to take:

- Download the district's mobile app. One of the many features is to select your
 delivery preferences. Once you have signed into your account, click on your profile
 tile and then "Edit Delivery Preferences" at the top.
 - Click on the icon for app, text, phone or email to turn off that mode. Green
 indicates the mode is turned on. Some modes are locked, as indicated with
 the lock in the upper corner of the icon.
- Keep your contact information current by updating the "Annual Student Update
 Form 2023-2024" in Home Access Center or by letting your school office know
 anytime there is a change.
- Please visit the communications department webpage for a list of timely and relevant information to strengthen connections among families, staff and community.

Play and Learn



Play and Learn is a free program for children from birth thru age five and their parents or caregivers to have fun playing together, creating art, listening to stories and singing songs! Sessions are held five days a week from 10:30 a.m. to noon at four locations.

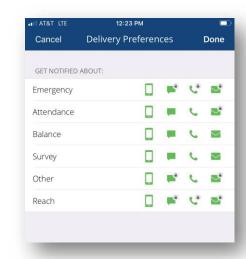
Click to learn more and see calendar.

There is still time to enroll your preschooler!

There is space available in our Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP)! This incredible program is for 3- and 4-year-old children from families with limited income and are enrolled in our schools. Learn more at www.everettsd.org/ECEAP.

Is your family prepared?









<u>Snohomish County Emergency Management</u> has helpful online resources to help you create and practice emergency response plans with your family and neighborhood in preparation for bad weather.

Important FAFSA/WASFA changes



Big changes are coming to financial aid applications this year! The 2024-25 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) will not be available until December 2023. The WASFA (Washington Application for State Financial Aid) will also be delayed until the FAFSA opens.

Applications usually open October 1 of a student's senior year, so this is a major shift in the college planning process. The good news is that this delay is due to positive changes. The FAFSA form will be shorter and less complex, more students will be eligible for federal Pell Grants, and the average

Pell award will be larger. Stay tuned for more information and find resources from the Washington Student Achievement Council.

Online safety tips

- Keep the computer in a busy area of your home.
- Use an app to keep an eye on your child's online activity on their device.
- Talking about cyberbullying; ask if someone they know has been a victim. Ask if they have been victimized.
- Set up email and social media accounts with your children. Know their screen names and passwords and explain the reasons for not including any personal information in profiles.

Know who is in the "buddy lists." Get to know the cyberfriends just as you do those who visit your home. Parents and guardians may find the following resources helpful to begin a conversation about the dangers of engaging in cyberbullying and how to stay safe online:

- Stop Bullying Now
- Ms. Parry's Guide to Correct Online Etiquette
- Common Sense Media

Find out what Everett Public Schools students learn about digital citizenship on the district website.

Veterans Day free concert

The United States Army Field Band is performing a free concert at the Everett Civic Auditorium on November 11 at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. The maximum number of free tickets per transaction is four.

Please visit GoFan to get your tickets today or scan the QR code.





Modest Free Market



Modest Family Solutions is an organization that is working to create a more just and equitable food system. They provide produce to families and communities in need across western Washington sourcing product from local growers, with an emphasis on supporting and building a BIPOC food value chain.

Emerson Elementary School 8720 7th Ave SE Everett, WA 98208

Produce available the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month from 9 to 11 a.m. Cultural, home-grown, fresh foods. Stay in your car and pick up in the drive thru loop or come to the walk-up area.

Have a safety concern related to schools? Report it!

You can call, text or email your concern.

If there is reason for concern about safety on a designated walkway to school, call 9-1-1 immediately for authorized, quick help. We have strong partnerships with local law enforcement who share our interest in safe schools and neighborhoods. Student safety is a priority for all of us. Working together, we can help make our neighborhoods and schools nurturing places for students to safely learn and grow.



News around the district

Like knowing what's happening in the district? Follow us on social media! Visit our <u>social media directory</u> for a list of schools, club or teacher accounts.

Want eflyers of student and family opportunities? Go to <u>Peachjar</u> and register a free account to receive eflyers emailed directly to you! And don't forget to check out the <u>district's news</u> <u>releases</u>.





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