

Good morning Gateway,

Here's the news for Friday, January 11th:

Girls Basketball starts this coming Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. If you are a 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grader trying out, please see Mrs. Gitnes in the office during your lunch to see if you are on the roster. Those not on the roster on first day of sports will not be eligible to try-out.

Attention 6<sup>th</sup> graders: There will be a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade BHIP meeting on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at lunch in room 305~Mrs. Lawson's classroom.

Are you cold? There are a lot of people who don't have warm things to wear for the winter season. Donate gently used or new clothes to your first period class. The following clothes will be donated to the food bank at Gold Creek: coats, gloves, sweaters, hats, pants, sweatshirts, winter boots, and blankets. The drive will end on January 18<sup>th</sup>, so donate soon!

Author Yoon Ha Lee will visit Gateway on January 14<sup>th</sup>. His new book, Dragon Pearl, is an action adventure fantasy that includes Korean mythology. Stop by the library to pick up an order form to preview the book and purchase an autographed copy.

Did you read a great book over Winter Break? Make sure to turn in your Books over Break slip to your English teacher this week so your class can be entered to win a hot cocoa treat party.

Attention 8th graders! Beginning today, you can submit themes for the 8th Grade Celebration at the front office. Some past themes include Red Carpet, Masquerade, Black and White. You have until Thursday, January 17th to share your ideas. Let's hear them!

Martin Luther King said, "We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." He believed that all people deserved to be treated fairly and included.

As part of our focus on ACCEPTANCE in January, you have the opportunity to demonstrate the ideals of acceptance through song, rap, dance, or poetry reading at the Jan. 18 MLK assembly. Today is the last day to sign-up for the Monday, Jan. 14 auditions. All Performance Contest information can be found on the wall right across from the office. We would love to see you demonstrate your talents. Sign-up today!

Remember Gateway, guard your character!