# **Garfield Tiger News**

GARFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## From the Principal

#### Hello Garfield Families,

Happy New Year! I think we can all agree it feels good to put 2020 behind us. This is a time of new beginnings, renewed hope and fresh energy! I am certain 2021 will be filled with promise and I am excited about the days ahead.

We have our Tiger Pride assemblies celebrating our students of the month as well as attendance and i-Ready award winners! This is always a special treat and I hope you are able to join us for this celebration of all of our amazing Tigers. We will also have our monthly curbside events on January 12 and 13. Please note if you are unable to come during the 4:00 - 5:00 pm window on those days you can come any time between 8:30 am – 4:00 pm to pick up your student's materials. These are important materials selected to support each student's remote learning experience. Also, this month we have our Martin Luther King Jr. assembly on January 15 at 9:45 am. This is always a special event here at Garfield and I hope you are able to join us for this online assembly.

The winter i-Ready diagnostic assessment will be coming later this month. Everett Public Schools is offering a special i-Ready family webinar, Supporting Student Learning at Home, on January 6 at 6:00 pm.

This webinar is designed to help parents:

- Learn how the i-Ready diagnostic is used to create a personalized pathway of instruction for each student.
- Provide ideas for motivating learners, monitoring progress, and supporting children when they need assistance.
- Give tips and resources to support families in preparing for the next i-Ready diagnostic assessment.

With the renewed energy a New Year brings, let's work together to ensure you and your student(s) feel supported and have all that is necessary for achieving success. Please reach out if you have any questions or need any additional support. And thank you for all that you do to support your student(s) and our teachers here at Garfield Elementary. We are grateful for you!

Warm Wishes,

Mrs. Kathleen Stilwell

### Kathleen Stilwell

Principal

**Garfield Elementary School** 2215 Pine Street, Everett, WA 98201

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#### Attendance Line

425-385-4705

GAEattendance@everettsd.org

Tiger Pride Assembly K – 9:15 AM

#### Jan. 8

Tiger Pride Assemblies

- 4<sup>Th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 10:00 am
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade 11:00 am
- 1st Grade 1:00 pm

Learning Improvement Friday 2:15 pm dismissal

#### Jan. 12-13

Curbside pick-up 4-5pm

#### Jan. 14

Meet with the Principal 6:30 pm

#### Jan. 15

MLK Jr. Assembly 9:45 am Learning Improvement Friday 2:15 pm dismissal

#### Jan. 18

No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

#### Jan. 22

Learning Improvement Friday 2:15 pm dismissal

#### Jan. 29

Learning Improvement Friday 2:15 pm dismissal

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#### **Principal**

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Parents please email your student's absences using the attendance email address below:

GAEattendance@everettsd.org

If you are unable to email, please call the Attendance line at 425-385-4705

### NOVEMBER 2020 - BE RESPECTFUL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Kindergarten: Logan G., Opal S., Michael L., Abygail R., Olivia F., Snizhana L.

First Grade: Hadley L., Parker W., Danaliliana G., Addie H., Alexia F., Leilany M., Lyla S.

Second Grade: Carter C., Ellis L., Star M., Leo G., Evelyn Z., Isaiah R., Tate H.

Third Grade: Ilyana L., Alan S., Josephine Q., Enniel S.

Fourth Grade: Josefina R., AJ G., Sierra D., Kainalu N., Maybelle G., Cecilia D.

Fifth Grade: Courtney L., Bailey M., Tallon D., Fernanda C., Andrey L.

### **January is School Board Appreciation Month**

The month of January marks the annual observance of School Board Recognition - a time to salute the work of school board members and celebrate public education. You can learn more about board members online. You can also watch past school board meetings on the district's YouTube channel.

### **Upcoming "Let's Connect" opportunities**

There are three "Let's Connect" opportunities in January, with more information on how to register coming soon.

- January 21, Budgeting Process and Finances
- January 25 and 28, Strategic Plan



### What to do if power goes out during remote learning

If you lose power or internet at home, please do the following, if possible:

- Contact your teacher or school to report the outage
- Continue to work on previously assigned learning activities

Participate in on-demand activities if possible



It is difficult when things happen that are out of our control, and we thank you in advance for your patience and flexibility.



### Delayed start or closed schools

If weather and road conditions call for closing school buildings, all learning will be cancelled, including remote learning. Remote learning must be cancelled because students who may be learning in the building may not have their devices at home, and teachers who have been working in the building may not have the equipment or resources to teach from home.

If we must cancel school or delay the start of school, we will use our parent communication system to call in the morning, typically around 5:00 a.m., with a brief message about the reason for closure or delay. We will also use local media and post the message on our website. If there is no announcement about Everett Public Schools, school is on the regular schedule. Click for more information and resources on school closures or delays.

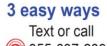
In cases of inclement weather or other emergencies, please:

- check your email or phone for district messages
- listen for media announcements
- view the district's website at www.everettsd.org
- watch district <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> or <u>Instagram</u> accounts

### Safety tip line

Do you or your student have a concern about someone experiencing bullying or harassment? **Report it!** You can talk directly with your school's office or 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.







### Social & emotional health

The outbreak of COVID-19 may be stressful for people and communities. Fear and anxiety about a disease can be overwhelming and cause strong emotions in adults and children.

Everyone reacts differently to stressful situations. The emotional impact of an emergency on a person can depend on the person's characteristics and experiences, the social and economic circumstances of the person and their community, and the availability of local resources. People can become more distressed if they see repeated images or hear repeated reports about the outbreak in the media.



Children react, in part, on what they see from the adults around them. When parents and caregivers deal with the COVID-19 calmly and confidently, they can provide the best support for their children. Parents can be more reassuring to others around them, especially children, if they are better prepared. Please visit the district's social & emotional health webpage for more information.



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425-385-4000 www.everettsd.org Everett Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

Compliance Officer: Mary O'Brien 425-385-4106 MO'brien@everettsd.or PO Box 2098

**Title IX/Civil Rights** 

Section 504 Coordinator: Dave Peters 425-385-4063 DPeters@everettsd.org PO Box 2098 Everett, WA 98213 **ADA Coordinator:** Randi Seaberg

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