Garfield Tiger News

GARFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Hello Garfield Families,

We have students at Garfield once again! It has been an absolute delight to be able to open for phase 3 and bring our youngest learners back to Garfield. We have not had students on campus and in our classrooms since we closed on March 13. Wow!

This past month our Tiger Pride theme was Be Safe. How fitting as we have had to all learn new procedures and protocols to adhere to the guidelines from our Snohomish Health District and the State of Washington OSPI. I have been so impressed and so grateful with how students, staff and families have adjusted to all these new processes and done such a great job being safe! Keep up the great work! We will continue to be able to phase in students in the hybrid model this month. On March 1, our second and third graders will return and on March 15 our fourth and fifth graders will return.

On our asynchronous, independent learning days each Wednesday please make sure your child is engaged in the class meeting and class assignments for the day. School attendance is taken all 5 days each week whether online or in-person. And remember, if you show you grow! Kelso reminds us of that each month at our Tiger Pride assemblies!

With students returning for in-person learning the Tiger Pride Assemblies have moved to Wednesday mornings and will be grades K-2 at 9:15 am and grades 3-5 at 9:45 am. Hope you are able to join us for our celebration this month! We are also changing to one curbside pick-up day each month. Our remote only students should attend the curbside events. Students in hybrid in-person learning do not need to attend. All materials will be sent home through their classroom teacher.

We will end this month with Parent-Teacher conferences the week of March 29 – April 2. These conferences will be held via phone or zoom video conference. There will be no in-person conferences. Look for scheduling information from your child's teacher in the next few weeks. This is an important time to connect with your student's teacher and support them in achieving success this school year. We appreciate your partnership! Looking forward to finishing this school year strong.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathleen Stilwell

Principal

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Garfield Elementary School 2215 Pine Street, Everett. WA 98201

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Attendance Line

425-385-4705

GAEattendance@everettsd.org

March 1 & 2

2nd & 3rd Grade Hybrid Group 1A

March 3

EPSF Benefit Breakfast Tiger Pride Assemblies

- K-2 9:15
- 3-5 9:45

Learning Improvement Wednesday 2:15 Dismissal Curbside pick-up *4-5pm*

March 4 & 5

2nd & 3rd Grade Hybrid Group 2B

March 10

Learning Improvement Wednesday 2:15 Dismissal

March 15 & 16

4th & 5th Grade Hybrid Group 1A

March 17

Learning Improvement Wednesday 2:15 Dismissal

March 18 & 19

4th & 5th Grade Hybrid Group 2B

March 24

Virtual Picture Day Early Release, 1:00 pm dismissal

March 29-April 2

Parent Teacher Conferences Early Release, 1 pm

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Attendance Matters

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

JANUARY 2021 - BE KIND STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Kindergarten: Hermione G., Grace Y., Elias A., Jrose M., Stella W.

First Grade: Zachary F., Malcolm M., Alyssa S., Henry B., Aaliyah M., Leonidas C., Uma V.

Second Grade: Calvin A., Mansirat B., Anthony P., Lily S., Baylea N., Daniel G.

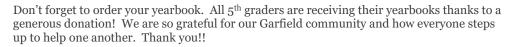
Third Grade: Liam L., Ali'ilani S., Anna L., Wyatt R., Miles E.

Fourth Grade: Jack D., Stella M., Katerese N., Hollis P., Kennedy C., Jaheel D., Ray F., Maribel S., Kalan G.

Fifth Grade: Natalie C., Ian P., Blake Z., Ryan A., Carlos D., Rowan A., Natalie B.

Virtual Picture Day!

The yearbook committee is working hard to ensure we have a wonderful yearbook this year. Please look for the flyer with detailed information regarding our virtual picture day on March 24.





Kindergarten registration begins this month

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2021? Registration begins on March 1, 2021. During school building closure, you can complete enrollment forms for kindergarten <u>online</u>! A <u>step-by-step parent walkthrough video</u> is also available as a resource.







Everett Public Schools is hiring substitute paraeducators

Do you enjoy supporting children learn and grow? Are you a volunteer or have a student attending Everett Public Schools? Do you look forward to spending time with others? Are you seeking extra income?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please apply to become a substitute paraeducator. We offer a competitive wage, flexible schedule, training and much more. For more information, please call the Substitute Services Office at 425-385-4111 or email at subservices@everettsd.org. To apply, please visit our website at www.everettsd.org/jobs and click "employment."

Daylight saving time begins March 14



Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 14 at 2 a.m. On Saturday night, set your clocks forward one hour (i.e., losing one hour) to "spring ahead." There will be more light in the evening.

Also called Spring Ahead, Summer Time and Daylight Saving Time.



New for fall, 2021 is the dual-language Spanish immersion program at Emerson Elementary School. Families with children entering kindergarten will have the option to choose the dual language strand. This program gives elementary students an opportunity to complete the Everett Public Schools curriculum in a nontraditional and exciting way by immersing them in Spanish language and culture from kindergarten through twelfth grade. Students in the program will become proficient in both Spanish and English while learning the same curriculum content as their peers outside the program.

Priority will be given to students within the Emerson Elementary School attendance area. If a high number of students apply, a lottery will be conducted to select students. If the class is not filled from those in the Emerson attendance area, an additional lottery from beyond the school attendance area will be conducted.

Education Support Professionals Week

March 8-12 help us recognize the important work education support staff does for schools and students every day. We encourage you to take a moment and say thank you to office staff, crossing guards, paraeducators, maintenance staff, food and nutrition services professionals, bus drivers and many other education support staff who help schools and the district function smoothly.



23rd annual student art shows Everett

Public Schools, in partnership with Everett Public Schools Foundation, is pleased to display the work of student artists with virtual art shows. The art shows will be posted to school websites under announcements.



Ways to stay in touch

On the communications department webpage, you can sign up for <u>InTouch</u> announcements and school board meeting agenda highlights delivered to your email box twice monthly. You can also follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.











Mobile app

Families can <u>download the district mobile app</u> to easily access student information, grades, attendance, lunch balances, borrowed library books, calendars and more! Translate notifications and app functions into the language you prefer.

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Free meals continue through the end of the school year!



Breakfast and lunch will be available at no charge for students learning on-site. Five-day meal kits will continue to be available for pick up each Wednesday for all kids, both remote learners and on-site learners. Meals include; fruit, veggies, whole grains, lean protein and milk. This program is available for all kids age 1-18, no qualification necessary. Follow @eps_cafe on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for the most up to date information.



Safety tip line

3 easy ways

Text or call 855-637-2095



1350@alert1.us



https://everett-wa.safeschoolsalert.com



If there is 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.

Remember to register to vote

By registering to vote, either in person or online, you can exercise a basic democratic right.

- 1. In person -- You may register to vote or change your registration at Snohomish County Elections, 3000 Rockefeller Ave, Everett, 1st Floor, Admin Bldg. West.
- 2. Online -- If you have a valid Washington state driver's license, you may register with the <u>Secretary of State</u> quickly and easily online. You may also download a voter registration form in several languages from that site.

To learn details about elections, visit the Snohomish County Elections website.

Update emergency contacts

Please call your school if your phone number or emergency contact information changes at any time during the school year. This is the contact information used by the Everett Public Schools automated phone system in emergencies and to share important school information with families.

Do not miss out!

Our school is using Peachjar to send flyers home electronically.



Just go to the home page of our school website and click on the Peachjar Eflyer button to check it out. You do not need to login to receive or view school eflyers.

No action is required on your part. You should have already received a welcome email from Peachjar that includes a username and password. This is provided so you can manage your account and flyer delivery preferences. Don't worry if you've forgotten your password, you can reset it at any time.

This system is used exclusively for the distribution of school-approved flyers. Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose.



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Title IX/Civil Rights Compliance Officer: Mary O'Brien 425-385-4106 MO'brien@everettsd.or PO Box 2098 Everett, WA 98213

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Dave Peters 425-385-4063 DPeters@everettsd.org PO Box 2098 Everett, WA 98213

ADA Coordinator:

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