From the Principal

Dear Garfield Families,

As you may know, at the end of this school year I will move to another elementary school as the assistant principal. The decision to leave Garfield was not an easy one, but life does not always work the way that we want or how we plan. While I am sad to leave, I know that I will be eager to hear all of the great things that will continue on. This is a great school, with amazing children, dedicated staff members, and supportive families. Once a tiger, always a tiger.

I would like to share that Kathy Stillwell will be the new principal at Garfield next year. Ms. Stillwell is currently the Director of Mathematics and Computer Science, STEM Department. Ms. Stillwell is a North Everett community member and the parent of two North Middle School students. Thank you for welcoming Ms. Stillwell to Garfield.

Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA)

Students began taking the statewide Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) last week and they will continue testing through the month of May. Our students are working hard, using their Best Effort strategies, and taking their time. You can continue to help by encouraging your child/ren to do their best. Please ensure your child/ren gets a good night’s sleep prior to testing, and that they eat a healthy breakfast. Finally, be sure your child is at school on time.

Garfield Testing Schedule

3rd grade – May 14th & 15th (English Language Arts) and May 21st & 22nd (Math)
4th grade – May 14th & 15th (English Language Arts) and May 16th & 22nd (Math)
5th grade – April 30th, & May 1st (English Language Arts) and May 9th & 23rd (Math) and May 29th (Science)

Teacher Appreciation

Teacher Appreciation Week begins on May 6th. This is a wonderful opportunity to send warm wishes to a staff member for the hard work that they do for all kids. At Garfield, we are fortunate to have a school full of dedicated teachers and staff members. They are dedicated and committed to building the skills that our students need to be academically strong and confident learners. They go above and beyond each and every day. Please take time to thank your child’s teacher for a job well done.
Summer like Weather

The sun is shining, at least for now and sunshine brings out summer wear. Here are a few reminders when getting ready for school:

- Shirts must cover the shoulders (three finger wide – no spaghetti straps) and must cover the mid-section of the body (both front and back). No midriffs, please.
- Shorts, skirts, and dresses must reach below the child’s fingertips when the arms are both extended downward. Long skirts with the open front should be saved for family outings.
- No flip-flops. They are not safe.

Class Placement

I cannot believe that it is May and we need to start thinking about creating class lists for the next school year. If you check the Tuesday folder, you will find a half sheet for how to provide us with pertinent information about your child as we begin the class placement process. Please note that we do not accept requests for individual teachers by name, gender or the level of experience. The information is due by Tuesday, May 28th.

Warm regards,
Monique Beane

April 2018 Student of the Month – “BE A PROBLEM SOLVER”

Kindegarten
Leo G., Evalyn W., Jobbo L., Matia Q., Jonathan C.

1st Grade

2nd Grade
Sadie M., Josie O., Yareli R., Maribel S., Jasmin A., Ryan D., Bohlder S.

3rd Grade
Tristan T., Blaise W., Vida C., Andy G., Starr A., Alan G., Adrielle J.

4th Grade
Benjamin L., Sebastian T., Hazel L., Evelyn R., Lindsay G., Lorenzo o., Aj A., Jaime E.

5th Grade
Zander P., Matiah Y., Aydin B., Kaiidden I., Josh W., Mac K., Muskaan U.

Evergreen Middle School Drama Club is performing Disney Frozen Jr

Thursday 5/30 @ 7pm
Friday 5/31 @7pm
Saturday 6/1 @2pm and @7pm
Summer school registration is open!

Registration materials are now online. Summer programs for high school students include opportunities to strengthen the skills and knowledge required for the district core expectations, repeat courses, extend their interests in academic areas, and take new courses. Tuition-based summer programs are offered for students through Online High School and at Cascade High School. Elementary and middle school summer programs are available for specific students who need academic support.

High school boundaries

Is your student planning to attend one of these high schools the 2020-21 school year?

- Cascade High
- Everett High
- Jackson High

If so, the high school your child will attend may change beginning fall 2020. A committee of parents, students and principals representing each of these schools has been studying current boundaries and recently recommended modifications to the superintendent. The board will review the superintendent’s recommendation during their regular board meeting May 21. Following the board’s decision, the district will communicate directly with families who will be affected by the high school boundary changes.

Spring safety reminders

Spring brings out the beautiful blooms on trees and flowers and warmer weather. It also seems to bring an increase in crime. Here are some general safety and awareness reminders to share with your family.

- Always tell family where they are going and when they will be there.
- Be alert to their surroundings – this means not wearing headphones or texting while walking.
- Walk or ride bikes in pairs and groups.
- Report anything suspicious or unusual to a trusted adult.

Graduation dates

Ceremonies for each of the four high schools are coming soon!

- Cascade High School, June 16 at 7 p.m. at Angel of the Winds Arena
- Everett High School, June 16 at 3 p.m. at Angel of the Winds Arena
- Jackson High School, June 16 at 11 a.m. at Angel of the Winds Arena
- Sequoia High School June 13, 6 p.m. at Everett Civic Auditorium