From the Principal

Dear Hawthorne families:

It has been an eventful January! We hope your family enjoyed the extra time together. With so much snow, our school calendar had to be updated. Please look on the EPS website for changes to the school calendar due to inclement weather. We have a lot of great things planned for February; Black History Month, H.E.R.O., a school dance, and more!

This month is Black History Month. As we celebrate, teachers may be sharing books, and reading stories or articles about influential African Americans throughout history. Teachers may also be discussing institutionalized racism, privilege, and equity. If you have questions about the specific curriculum in your classroom, we encourage you to reach out to your child’s teacher.

**Attendance HEROs**

Because we want each student to be successful at Hawthorne, we cannot stress enough how important it is for our students to be at school everyday. Hawthorne has kicked off a new attendance initiative, Here Everyday, Ready, On-time, or “H.E.R.O.” Students with perfect, or near perfect attendance will be recognized each and every month at our Pride assemblies. We will also recognize students that show exemplary behavior as outlined in our HAWKS expectations, and students that earn the Principal’s award for demonstrating that month’s 21st Century Skills. This month’s skill students have been practicing is ‘Growth Mindset’.

**Camp Volunteers**

Hawthorne needs volunteers! We are taking our 5th grade students to Camp Orkila, on Orcas Island, April 15, 16, and 17th. We need adult chaperones willing to be active participants able to supervise students during their exciting camp experience. If you have already signed up to volunteer at Hawthorne, please note that overnight chaperone/volunteers need to complete a different form. Please check to be certain you have completed the correct one. We can’t wait for you to join us at Camp Orkila!

**School Uniforms**

All students at Hawthorne received two new uniforms and one red Hawthorne sweatshirt at the beginning of the year. However, we understand that many families need replacements as students grow. We are accepting any uniform donations that your child has outgrown or if you work for an organization who can donate gently used uniforms, please send them our way. Hawthorne wants to begin a surplus of used donations for our families who need additional support.
Educational Effectiveness Survey (EES)

Please be on the lookout for the Educational Effectiveness Survey (EES). It is important that we have as many respondents as possible. The paper surveys will go home in backpacks on Wednesday, February 19th, and are due back on March 4th. An online link to the survey will be posted on our school website on February 19th as well. Please let us know if you would like assistance with the survey.

PTA Family Dance

The PTA is holding a Valentines themed family dance on the evening of February 14th at Hawthorne. There will be a concession stand, activities, and a free snow cone for each student! We are also planning Hawks Candy Grams for Friday the 14th. Look out for more information! Please note the PTA has moved from holding monthly meetings to every other month. The next meeting will be held in March, date TBD. After that, there will be another meeting in May. We still need members to join and participate in our meetings. PTA Elections are coming soon!

Natural Leaders: Empowering Families

Natural Leaders are parent leaders from multicultural families who want to learn more about the education system. Their goal is to support partnerships between families, community and schools. Natural Leaders take on a leadership role, building relationships with families in their community. They identify what helps these families be successful in school and help to implement these ideas. They collaborate with the community and school, sharing a common goal of both adults and children achieving success in school. Student academic success is tied to family engagement in school. Please consider becoming a Natural Leader and making a difference at Hawthorne. For more information, email Rachel Allen at RAllen@everettsd.org

Watch D.O.G.S.

Watch D.O.G.S. is a program that helps get male role models into our school. Volunteers may find themselves spending the day helping in classrooms, playing games with kids at lunch, patrolling hallways and any number of other activities that help our students and school be the best they can be. Please contact Ian Miller for more information. IMiller@everettsd.org

Kutz for Kids

You may have noticed the blue Kutz for Kids signage in the mail hallway and in the front office. We are excited to share that Joe Cuverson of the NAACP, and former Everett Public Schools Teacher, has gifted Hawthorne free haircut and salon styling vouchers for students in need. The vouchers are good for students to take to the participating salon. Vouchers will be given out to qualifying students on a first come, first serve basis. Please contact Rachel Allen at 425-385-4646 or RAllen@everettsd.org to see if you qualify. Thank you Dr. Willard for bringing Kutz for Kids to Hawthorne!

Sincerely,

Tanya Brinck, Assistant Principal
Paige Nguyen, Principal

**Upcoming events and important dates:**

**February**
- 1-29: Black History Month
- 3: ELPA21 assessments begin for English Learners
- 7: Progress reports go home
- 11: PTA Meeting 6:30
- 14: PTA Candy Grams
- 14: PTA Family Dance
- 17-18: Mid Winter Break
- 19: EES survey home in backpacks

**March**
- 4: EES family surveys due back
- 16: PTA Meeting 6:30
- 26-Gr. 1-5 Music Concert at Civic Center
- 30-April 3rd: Conference week

**April/May**
- April 29th-June: Smarter Balanced Assessment testing

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**Everett School Board Welcomes Two New Members**

This November voters elected two new members to the Everett School District Board. April Berg will fill position 2, the seat vacated by the retirement of longtime school board director Carol Andrews. Berg lives in Mill Creek and is a planning commissioner for the city. She has six children, two university graduates, two in university, one at Henry M. Jackson High School and one at Heatherwood Middle School.

Andrew J. Nicholls will fill position 1, the seat held by Jamyang Dorjee Nhangkar who was appointed to the board in September 2018. Nicholls is a research social worker with the VA Puget Sound Medical Center and has two children who will soon be entering school in the district’s north end.

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**Lunch payments are easy with the app**

Want to see your student’s lunch balance and pay a balance from your phone? If you’re logged into the district’s mobile app, you can find and pay your student’s lunch balance under your student’s info. An icon inside the app also gives a shortcut to deposit funds for your student’s lunch account. To make a payment, look for the green chef’s hat icon.

The latest school news and information in Everett Public Schools is available on smartphones and mobile devices with a mobile app. The free mobile app is available in the online iTunes® and Google Play® app stores. Once you’ve downloaded the app, log in to “student info” with your LMS password to see student-specific information for each of your children.
Parent safety tip

Six ways your student can protect their online identities:

1. Share carefully – don’t give out any personal information to unknown sites or strangers
2. Go private – keep privacy settings high and limit location services when possible
3. Log out – especially after using shared computers
4. Mix up passwords – use different passwords for different apps and websites
5. Avoid clickbait – avoid quizzes and random questionnaires
6. Choose wisely – pick an appropriate username

Learn more about online safety, digital wellness, cell phones and learning with technology with age-specific tips and tools on www.commonsensemedia.org.

Kindergarten registration begins in March

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2019? Registration begins on March 2, 2020, at all district elementary schools.

Did you know?

Every year OSPI publishes a report card for each district and each school within the district. This year OSPI is using a new application to do this and will require a little more effort to find the data available for Everett Public Schools. You can access the 2017-18 data on the OSPI website.

To review the data for the school district or a school start typing in the name and a drop box will appear with choices. Click on your choice to view the report card.

I want to see data for a school or school district

School or District Name:

start typing Go

clear

See all schools and districts

Optionally you can click on See all schools and districts and navigate the to the district or school you want to select.

Do you have a student in special education?

Did you know there is a Special Education PTSA in the district? The Special Education PTSA serves students, families, and educators involved in Special Education. They encourage students, families, educators and community members to work collaboratively to provide programs and activities recognizing each student’s potential and enhancing the educational opportunities of children receiving and/or seeking special services in our district. Connect with the SEPTSA on their Facebook page.
Harvest of the month

This month, the Food and Nutrition Department brings you beans! Be sure to give them a try this month in our homemade hummus, black bean burger or vegetarian chili!

Did you know that there are over 40,000 different varieties of beans and are an excellent source of protein and fiber? Find out more by checking out the Harvest of the Month flyer on our website at https://www.everettsd.org

I’ve bean thinking about you...

2020 capital projects bond - community open house meetings

Everett Public Schools is placing a $317.4 million bond on the April 2020 ballot. This measure will provide crucial funding to build permanent classroom space to accommodate growth, improve safety and security and make necessary school improvements.

Upcoming Community Open House meetings are scheduled, and we encourage everyone to attend one:

What the 2020 capital projects bond will fund at our school?

Please see the attached flyer for a list of school specific projects.