

The Grizzly Growl



Letter from the Principal, Mr. Cullum

Dear Parents, Guardians and Volunteers:

This is a busy week at Mary Purcell Elementary. We have the Reptile Man here for an assembly and evening event for families, Monday, November 5th at 6:30 PM in the gym. We have our Veterans Day assembly and parade on Thursday, November 8th. Families are invited to walk with their children during the parade, down Metcalf Street, which is scheduled to start at 10:00 am in front of Central Elementary School. We also have conferences this week, so we have early release on Wednesday and Thursday and no school for students on Friday, November 9th and Monday, November 12th. Please be sure you have a conference time scheduled with your child's teacher. Conferences are a chance to discuss your child's progress at school and their academic goals and ask any questions you might have regarding school.

Thank you,

Mike Cullum
Principal

Dates To Remember

November

Nov 5: Reptile Man in gym @ 6:30

Nov 6: Remember to Vote!

Nov 7 & 8th: Conferences

3 HR Early Release Elementary (NO LATE START - School hours 9 - 12:30)

Nov 8: Veterans Day Parade 10 AM on Metcalf

Nov 8: Booster Club 6:30 PM

Nov 9: No Elementary School

Nov 12: No School

VETERANS DAY

Nov 15th: Picture Retake Day

Nov 14: School Board Mtg @ SSB 7PM

Nov 13-16: Book Fair

Nov 16: Book Fair & Family STEAM Night 6PM

Nov 21: NO LATE START, 3 Hr Early Release (12:30)

Nov 22 & 23~ NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

Nov 26 Drama Rehearsal starts 3:30-5:30

Reptile Man tonight!

- 6:30 in the MP Gym
- Admission: \$1.00 per person
- Photos with Reptiles available



Fall Book Fair Hours:

Tuesday, November 13th
Preview Day

Wednesday, November 14th
9:20-9:45, 3:30-4:00
Grades K-3 10:00-11:30
Grades 4-6 1:30-3:30

Thursday, November 15th
8:20-8:45, 9:00-11:30, 1:30-4:00

Friday, November 16th
8:20-8:45
Family Night
5:30-7:30



Winter Ride Info: Come join the Winter Ride Ski and Snowboard bus to Mt. Baker. Have fun with your friends and enjoy the amazing skiing and snowboarding at our local mountain. This is 8 weeks of pure fun, so get signed up for Winter Ride this year. 5th graders ride free. Come to the meeting to find out how.

To find out more, come to the informational meeting on Tuesday, November 13 at 6:00

Attendance: Attendance and arriving to school on time is vital to your student's success. Tardies and frequent absences, or early pickups significantly impact your child's education. Early pickups and tardies also disrupt the educational environment of students in his/her class.

Students leaving during school hours prior to 3:30 need to be signed out in the office by an adult. This will also count as a tardy on their attendance record.

State Law requires that we contact you when your child is absent. If we do not hear from you by 10am on the day your child is absent, our automated calling system will give you a call to inform you that your child has an unexcused absence. Please call the office to clear up any absences.

If it is a pre-arranged absence you may send in a note or email in advance. If it is an extended absence for 3 days or more, we have pre arranged forms in the office. Your child's teacher and school principal will sign off on these and it also gives the teacher time to prepare any work to be sent home.

Students with 5-6 unexcused absences or 5 within a month are required to have a conference with our counselor Anne Sidbury and Vice Principal Paula Torgeson. The only exception is if there is a doctor's note or pre arranged form on file in the office.

Phone: 360-855-3555 Email: kberg@swsd101.org

Illness: Remember the best line of defense to guard you and your family from illness is to practice good hand washing.

Please keep children with fevers home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever, or do not have signs of a fever without using fever-reducing medicine. If your child is throwing up, please keep them home for 24 hours after the last time they throw up. If your child has a rash please contact our school nurse. Nurse Anita 360-855-3674

Congratulations to all the October Students of the Month!

~Respect~

Abdias Chavez

Briana Moran

Kadence Crouter

Yennifer Perez Tenorio

Arianna Walden

Bryan Blanke

Lacey Guptil

Audrey Barragan

Carly Garzina

Maddy Chatt

Ava Ford

Ivy Adamson

Madilyn Mellich

Axton Mora

Jesus Espinoza Marquez

Oliver Hershaw

Betzy Espinoza Marquez

Jesus Hernandez Lopez

Skylnn Bowman