



Kenmore Elementary

Paw Prints

Melissa Riley, Principal

Welcome to February! This is a lovely time of year as we are at the half way mark. You will be receiving your child's report card, which provides important information about his or her progress. It is an opportunity to celebrate your child and the hard work and effort put in to make progress. More and more, teachers invite students to set personal goals across content after and students are thrilled to share their progress because it is meaningful to them.

There are many ways you can continue to support your child at home:

* I encourage you to use this opportunity to connect with your child's teacher, whether you have a conference or not, if you have questions or just want to know more about what they have been learning and what the second semester holds.

* Champion your child's efforts and encourage them to set personal goals with you. When there is a connection between home and school, students tend to be more motivated and successful.

* Help them practice effective study skills by provide a learning space where kids can work, think and practice the skills they have learned and their creativity. Make it enticing.

* Engage them in conversations all the time about many things. Regularly, students are asked to talk and justify their thinking across content areas as this is a school focus. Ask them questions, point out things in the community and ask them what they think. Then ask them to give evidence for their thinking and listen to their reasoning. You can also model reasoning for students by talking often about what you are thinking and why.



February 2019



Feb 1	Report Cards sent home via kid mail
Feb 1-8	ASB Operation Night Watch
Feb 4	Girls Intramurals, 3:30pm, gym
Feb 5	Math Olympiad, 3:30pm, library
Feb 6	Early Release Wednesday, 1:55pm
Feb 7	Girls Intramurals, 3:30pm, gym
Feb 8	Padres en Accion, 5:30pm, library
Feb 11-15	PTA Winter Box Tops Drive
Feb 11	Girls Intramurals, 3:30pm, gym
Feb 12	Kindergarten Field Trip – Kirkland Performance Center
Feb 12	Math Olympiad, 3:30pm, library
Feb 12	Social & Emotional Supports Family Event, 6:00pm
Feb 13	Early Release Day, 1:55pm
Feb 14	Popcorn Thursday
Feb 14	Girls Intramurals, 3:30pm, gym
Feb 15	ASB Spirit Day – Sports Day
Feb 15	New Shoes Performance Assembly, 2:30pm, gym
Feb 18-22	NO SCHOOL ~ Mid Winter Break
Feb 25-28	4 th Grade Wheat Week Workshops
Feb 25	Girls Intramurals, 3:30pm, gym
Feb 26	Math Olympiad, 3:30pm, gym
Feb 27	Early Release Wednesday, 1:55pm
Feb 28	2 nd Grade Field Trip – Everett Theater
Feb 28	Girls Intramurals, 3:30pm, library

* For more parent-friendly information about the Common Core Standards at your child's grade level, please see: <https://www.cgcs.org/Domain/36> for English Language Arts and <https://www.cgcs.org/Page/244> for math.

While this is not an exhaustive list, it is meant to give you some examples and resources you have at hand, or by mouth, just by communicating with your child frequently about his or her learning. Communicating well with our kids and for our kids—an extension of our love—is inevitably one of the greatest gifts we can give them as they go through school and in life.

As we continue to learn and grow as a school community, refining our practice and deepening our craft, we appreciate your constant support and are thankful for your partnership.

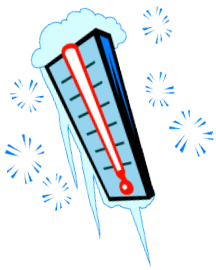
Mrs. Riley ☺



Attendance Line: 425-408-4810



Please report all late arrivals and absences.



Cold Weather Clothing

Thank you for sending your children to school with proper outdoor attire. Students need to stay dry and warm so that they can return from recess and quickly concentrate on learning. In addition, in the event of an unplanned emergency drill, students may have to stand outside for a lengthy amount of time. It is important that they are always prepared for such situations.

12:05 Dismissal on Friday, February 8th!!

We have one half day this month for elementary conferences as needed.
Please plan for your child's early dismissal on that day.

Thank you!

Photo ID Required for Early Pick Up

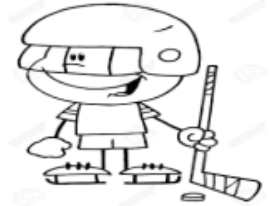
When picking up students early, please be sure to bring photo ID with you. For your child's safety, we will always check ID if we have not met you or the person picking up your child.

~HELP KEEP OUR SCHOOL AND SURROUNDING AREAS CLEAN~

Help keep our school and surrounding areas clean. Please, dispose of your trash and recycling properly. If you either park in the gravel parking area by the arboretum or visit/pass by this area on your way to or from school, please help by not leaving trash or recycling on the ground. Thank you!

WHAT'S GOING ON IN P.E.?

We started our hockey unit in physical education. Students will be exposed to the history and the basic rules of the sports of ice hockey and floor hockey. They will begin by learning how to hold the stick and move on to the skills of passing, shooting, and defending. They will be given the opportunity to practice these skills in a variety of games and activities. Students will also be given a chance to vote on the name of the new NHL team that is coming to Seattle in 2021.



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ASB Community Service Donation Drive

ASB will be initiating our first Community Service Donation Drive..."Operation Nightwatch". This organization collects essential items to support those in need who are without homes in King County. The collection drive will collect items Feb. 1st-8th. The drive accepts all new items: Adult male socks, Adult one/size/fits/all gloves, Chapstick, Hand warmer pouches, Chewy Granola Bars. Items will be collected near the buses and parent drop off in the mornings, Parent pick up area in the afternoons, and at any time in the office.



Kindergarten registration for the 2019-20 school year is now open!

Students entering kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before August 31.

Registration paperwork is available at the Kenmore Elementary office.

Please bring the following information when turning in registration paperwork:

- * Proof of residency (rental agreement, utility bill, mortgage bill, etc.)
- * Proof of birth (birth certificate or passport)
- * Child's immunization records
- * Emergency contact information

District News

Northshore Family Partnership

The Northshore Family Partnership (NFP) program, newly implemented this year in our district, operates as an Alternative Learning Experience (ALE) under WAC 392-121-182 of public education. This program of choice currently resides at Bear Creek Elementary and is designed for parents who choose to serve as their child's primary educator in partnership with our school district.

To learn about this program and identify if it's a good fit for families, NFP will be hosting two Open House opportunities at Bear Creek Elementary on January 28th and February 12th. Families will be provided a tour of the site along with general enrollment information. For additional information on NFP see <https://www1.nsd.org/schools/programs-services/northshore-family-partnership-program> or <https://www1.nsd.org/resources/news-events/fliers> or contact the Bear Creek Elementary Office @ 425-408-4100.

Highly Capable Eligibility Process

The 2018-2019 Highly Capable Eligibility Process is a district process handled by the Highly Capable Department. Should you have questions pertaining to screening, assessment, assessment scheduling, student scores, HiCap programming, etc. please direct those to the HiCap Department - hicap@nsd.org. Assessment, Step 2, of the eligibility process is underway and school assessment schedules are posted on the HiCap website as they are created.

District Orientation

A district-wide kindergarten information night is provided in March. Teachers, administrators, and curriculum specialists present parents with information about the Northshore School District's kindergarten program. The evening is intended for parents only and does not require registration to attend.

Kindergarten information night for students entering the 2019-20 school year is Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at the Northshore Performing Arts Center on the Bothell High School campus at 7:00 PM. A livestream of the event will take place with translators available in Spanish, Russian, Korean, Vietnamese and Chinese in the Black Box Theater adjacent to the main auditorium.