Cottage Lake Families,

Happy Lunar New Year! With the new year launch of 2020 and the Year of the Rat, I hope this provides you an opportunity to celebrate all we have in our lives, to reflect on your successes and challenges in the past, and to set new goals moving forward. We have so much to be thankful for in our school and I know personally, I have been setting goals for myself to improve both personally and professionally in 2020.

Yesterday, January 24, marks the end of our first semester for school. Teachers have been working hard for weeks to gather even more current data to measure student progress and achievement. Teachers will continue to work on report cards on Monday, so we do have no school for this reason. Please know all student report cards will be sent home via KidMail on Friday, January 31. Please check your student’s backpack for this information.

Friday, February 7 is an early release for one day of Parent-Teacher conferences. We will dismiss at 12:30 PM. Since this is only one day, the conferences are optional for most families. Teachers will be reaching out to those select families who they’d like to meet with. If you feel a conference is needed for your student, please reach out to your teacher, as well.

As a special note, please remember how important consistent, on-time attendance is for your student. Teachers begin their day with specific classroom routines and when students miss this, much of their day can seem off. I’d love for a time when we have all our students present! Students can arrive at school at 9:10 AM and school begins at 9:30 AM. Our first bell rings at 9:27 AM. If I can be a support for your child’s attendance, please do let me know.

In closing, I know many of you are wondering about how the snow last week will impact our school year calendar. I have not heard any specific details, but I will share this as soon as I know. Thank you for your patience.

Enjoy this final weekend of January and I wish you all health and happiness. Thank you for sharing your fabulous children with all of us at Cottage Lake each day.

Take Care,
Jennifer Welch, Principal

**UPCOMING TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE:**

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| Wednesday, January 29 | ● Early Release Wednesday, Dismissal @ 2:30 PM  
                   ○ PTA Spanish Class  
                   o 2:40-3:40 PM |
| Thursday, January 30  | ● PTA Enrichment  
                   o Circus Club 4:10-5:10PM |
| Friday, January 31    | ● PTA School Dance 7:00-9:00 PM |
| Monday, February 3    | ● PTA Enrichment  
                   ○ World Robotics 4:10-5:10PM |
| Tuesday, February 4   | ● PTA Enrichment  
                   o Circus Club 4:10-5:10PM  
                   o Trendy Crafters 4:10-5:10PM |
| Wednesday, February 5 | ● Early Release Wednesday, Dismissal @ 2:30PM  
                   ● PTA Spanish Class 2:40-3:40PM |
| Thursday, February 6  | ● PTA Enrichment  
                   o Circus Club 4:10-5:10PM |
| Friday, February 7    | ● |

**Additional Dates of Note:**

- February 3 - **2020-2021 Kindergarten registration begins**
- February 11 - 2020-2021 Kindergarten parent tour for new families to Cottage Lake. (This is aimed for adults.) 4:30-5:30 PM
- February 17 - **NO SCHOOL** - Presidents’ Day
- February 18-21 - **NO SCHOOL** - Mid Winter Break
- March 2-6 - [IDEA Project](#) at Cottage Lake
- March 3 - 2nd & 3rd grade + Ms. Macklin’s class Musical performance, 6:00-7:00 PM
- March 9-14 - Missoula Children’s Theater is at CL for our school play
- March 13 - Dr. Reid visit’s Cottage Lake for our Breakfast Club
- March 14 - Two performances for our school play
- March 17 - 5th Grade field trip to Olympia
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**NOTES FROM THE NURSE:**

Health and Nursing Services Northshore School District January 22, 2020

Dear Parents, You may have heard in the news about the first diagnosis of a new viral illness, Coronavirus, in Snohomish County. While some strains of Coronavirus have been around for a while, this is apparently a new strain with potentially severe consequences, especially for vulnerable populations (elderly, children, or immune compromised people). This first case was contracted by a person traveling through Wuhan City, China. While this is the first case in the USA, the CDC is expecting there will be more cases. If you have traveled to, or through China, and have subsequently become ill, please contact your medical provider immediately, telling them you have recently traveled in China. Please notify the school nurse if your child is sick and has recently travelled from China or has been in close contact with anyone under investigation for laboratory confirmed Coronavirus (2019-nCoV). Symptoms may include fever, cough and shortness of breath. If you have any questions about this important health concern contact your school nurse.

For more information:  

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**NEW ONLINE REGISTRATION:**

In a few weeks, Northshore will be launching our new online registration abilities. This district is hopeful that everyone, who can, will commit to online enrollment. However, where online access may be difficult, we will have paper enrollment forms on hand in our school’s office. To assist in the new enrollment process and provide a resource to our community, we have placed a desktop computer in our lobby that can be used by our community members free of charge.

Below are additional details that will be helpful as we prepare for launch.
● The launch on Feb 3 is for new students only. This includes Kindergartners and new students in other grades.

● The District is moving to online as the primary method of enrolling to increase convenience, efficiency, and equity. It is our goal to have all new enrollments completed online. However, as stated above, if you are unable to do so, we will provide you paper enrollment forms.

● The online enrollment module is part of ParentVUE, so families will have the benefit of choosing their preferred language in the presentation of the prompts and data gathering. However, any text responses in this tool need to be in English.

● Online enrollment will allow families to scan and upload copies of a variety of documents, including birth certificates, documents showing proof of residency, and immunization records. Synergy's data privacy policies are vetted and secure, so there should be no concern about loss of sensitive data. However, parents may bring in documentation if preferred.

When we have more detailed instructions on this new enrollment process, we will share them with you.

A note from (formerly) Ms. Brady:
Hello CLE Families,

My last name has changed due to marriage. My new last name is Hanning and my e-mail is now khanning@nsd.org. I will be sharing this with students, as well.

Thank you,
Mrs. Kelsey Hanning

JOINING THE PTA:

Be a part of the Cottage Lake Community by being a part of the PTA! Research shows that children perform better when parents are involved both at home and in school. By becoming part of Cottage Lake PTA, not only are you showing your child the importance of education, but you'll also be part of the solution in helping to make positive changes at our school!

It's easy to get involved in the PTA:

● Sign Up for Membership by visiting us online at www.CottageLakePTA.org
● Like & Follow Us on Facebook @Cottage Lake Elementary PTA (and yes, it does show a Tacoma location, but this is our PTA page) so you stay up-to-date all things PTA!