

Sellwood Weekly News

11-25-2015



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This Week

From Your Administration

11/26 - No School

Greetings Sellwood Families,

11/27 - No School

Well, it certainly feels like winter has arrived. It has been really cold at recess, and we are trying to get out as often as possible. Some students have not come to school prepared for the colder and wetter weather. Please let us know if we can help you in any way if coats are any kind of a problem. We will be happy to help if there is any need in this area.

Next Week

12/3 - Band Winter Concert, 7 pm

Our PEAK musical, THE SOUND OF MUSIC, was great fun, and we are all proud of our cast and crew. Thank you to Director Mark Steering, Stage Manager Jessica Johnson, and of course our resident saint Rose Mary Price for another great production. These productions demand a lot of time and energy, so we thank everyone involved, and also the PTA for our new stage microphones. They have made a huge difference in the acoustics.

Plan Ahead

12/10 - Marimba Winter Concert, 7 pm

Finally, the situation with the sewer work is getting louder and more dangerous. We are losing space out front each day, and it is especially important to be safe out there. It looks like 15th will be completely closed the week of 11/30 through at least 12/4. It is confirmed that all buses will pick

12/15 - Westmoreland Pizzicato Fundraiser

12/16 - Late Opening, 11:05

am

12/18 - All School
Celebration, 2:45
pm

12/21 - 1/1 - No
School

1/18 - No School

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language\)](#)

up and drop off on SE Umatilla between 15th and 16th.
This will affect vehicle traffic as well. Please don't park or
stop in the bus zones or tie up the parking lot
entrance/exit. We are doing our best to keep things calm
and safe. We deeply appreciate your support and pre-
planning when coming to school. It can get quite hectic at
drop off and pick up time, especially when the buses arrive.

Have a safe holiday weekend and thank you again for all
you do for our students and our school.

Marylyn and Brian

PPS EMERGENCY COMMS PROTOCOLS

The onset of winter weather, intensified attention on
earthquake preparedness, and the tragedy of the Umpqua
Community College shooting this fall are good reasons to
review with families how PPS prepares for and
communicates about emergencies. Please read the
protocols on the PPS Get Urgent News webpage, several
are new: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/about-us/6178.htm>

Send in Yearbook Photos

The yearbook needs photos! We have a goal to have as
many students as possible in the yearbook more than
once. It's a lofty goal. If you have taken any clear, quality
photos of Sellwood students on field trips, at athletic
events, or at concerts or performances, please share them:

1. Go to www.hjeshare.com and type in the school code:
sellwood2016
2. Include some basic information and upload 10 photos at
a time
3. You can also include names so we can caption the
photos correctly

Thanks for your time!
Lisa Souther (and the yearbook staff)

AVID Update

Students will be notified as early as Wednesday, November
25th about their acceptance into the AVID program. The
interviews went very well!



**PTA Fundraiser to Support
Sellwood's Band Program**

Thursday, December 3rd from 4pm until close, Mike's Drive-In will donate **25%** of their sales to Sellwood's Band Program. Please print and show [this flyer](#) (or show it on your phone) when ordering. Please join us to support your school band!

Holiday Giving Project for Families in Need

This holiday season, Sellwood Middle School will be helping about 20 families within the school community who are in need of assistance. Through the generous donations of our school community and neighbors, we will be providing these families with food for the holiday dinner and gift certificates.

The school-wide drive will begin Wednesday, December 2nd. Donations will be collected during 1st period until Wednesday, December 9th. Students will be encouraged to bring in a monetary donation.

Checks can be made out to Sellwood Middle School PTA. Your donations are greatly appreciated and needed. If you have questions, please contact School Counselor Jason Breaker at jbreaker@pps.net or parent Kristin Sherwood at kristinsherwood@comcast.net. Thank you for your support.



The Foundation is thankful to all the families who have donated to our organization this school year. If you would like to contribute as well, visit www.allhandsraised.org. Click the "donate now" button and choose Sellwood as your school of choice. You can becoming a Monthly Sustaining Donor or give a one time donation.

Questions? Contact Stacey
Lovett lovetstacey@hotmail.com

PEAK

The PEAK Fall Session will end on November 25th. The Winter Session will begin the week of November 30th and go until February 26, 2016.

The Fall Play, THE SOUND OF MUSIC, was a grand success. The Sellwood students and Staff enjoyed the 3:00pm Performance. The 7:00pm Performance was well attended and everyone was humming a song from the play as they exited the Big Gym. Thanks, Mark and Jessica and all the PEAK students in the Cast. The next play will be THE JUNGLE BOOK. Auditions in February 16,2016.

There are openings in: PEAK Chess, PEAK Homework Club, National Geographic Bee, PEAK Computer Class and try outs for the Sping PEAK Play will be on February 18, 2016. The green Winter PEAK Booklets are in the office and on the PEAK Door-Room 214. You can also download the PEAK Registration Form at the Sellwood School Site with the link to PEAK.

The Computer Class will be on Mondays during the Winter Term.

There are three more Cooking Classes-11/25/2015; 12/2/2015; and 12/9/2015.

There may be a Craft Sewing Class in the Winter Session that would have a limited number of Classes. Still working on the time and day.

If you have any comments or questions contact Rose Mary Price, Sellwood PEAK Coordinator.rprice@pps.net.

PIL Athletics

Wrestling:

We have a new coordinator! I'm pleased to introduce Robert Stearns, who also works up at Pioneer (a PPS school). You can contact Robert with questions or concerns at rstearns@pps.net. Forms and fees were due November 9. Please turn any late forms or fees to the office only (not to your coach at practice). Forms are available on the website (below). The last day to join the team is December 8. The commitment is three practices a week (M, Tu, Th from 4:00-5:45) and roughly one meet a week. To join wrestling you must turn in:

1. registration form
2. emergency contact form
3. physical (every other year, contact the coordinator to see if it's still on file)
4. insurance form (on the website, unique to wrestling)
5. fee

Basketball:

November practice schedules are out and teams are set! The seventh grade girls team will practice Mondays and Thursdays from 6:00-7:30. This team is coached by our own Kasey Bond! Our sixth grade team will be coached by a seasoned vet of the game, Yolanda McCowan, and they will practice Tuesday and Wednesday from 6:00-7:30. Practice times will change for December through February as we work around game schedules.

Cross country:

There are a few great races for middle grades students in the next few months! Please check the CCA website for that information.

www.ClevelandClusterAthletics.weebly.com

COMMUNITY NEWS

ENews copy must be submitted to Catherine Cleveland by email at: crcleveland@pobox.com ENews goes out on Wednesday. Items must be submitted by the prior Monday at 5 pm to be included.

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