

The Gordon Flash

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Our Mission is to assure high levels of learning for all students.

The Gordon Way: **S**afe, **T**eamwork, **A**ct Respectfully, **R**esponsible

P.E. with Mr. B

Happy Holidays! As I write this to you I am preparing to begin the dance unit. I have many fond memories, as an elementary student, learning how to dance. We were not only taught the dances but also the many social skills that go along with dancing. And, I try to pass those along to your kids. Many of the Gordon kids have been dancing with me since Kindergarten. Sometimes they are uncertain if they will enjoy dancing or not but once they start dancing, there are smiles all around!

I am looking forward to a fun filled, active, few weeks before we go on winter break. On December 12, Gordon Elementary School will be hosting WE C.A.R.E. Sports! They will be working with all the students during the day and will have a school wide assembly at 3pm. An Evening performance and workshop will follow that evening. Family Fun Night hosted by WE C.A.R.E. Sports will be held in the gym from 6 to 7:30 that evening. A reminder will be sent home with your students shortly after the Thanksgiving break. Be sure to check out their web site <http://wecaresports.com/wp/> so you can see what it is all about! I hope to see all of you on December 12th.



What's Happening This Month

November 23 & 24

Thanksgiving Break

No School

Upcoming Events

December 1

Grading Day

No School

December 2-3

KHS Sports Boosters Holiday Bazaar @ Gordon

Dec 4-7

Holiday Shoppe

December 6

Social Media Parent Night

5pm - 7pm KMS Library

RSVP to

srobinson@nkschools.org

Dec 7

Family Reading Night

6-7 pm in the library

Dec 12

WE C.A.R.E. Family Fun Night

6pm - 7:30pm

Nondiscrimination Notification The North Kitsap School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, disability, or age in its program or activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The North Kitsap School District offers classes in many career and technical education program areas (American Sign Language, Athletic Medicine, Computer Science, Culinary Arts, Digital Graphics/Photography, Environmental Science, FASCE, Health, Production Arts, Recording Arts) under its open admissions policy. For more information about CTE course offerings and admissions criteria, contact Kim Eimers (18360 Caldart Avenue NE; Poulsbo, WA 98370; 360-396-3040.) Lack of English language proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in career and technical education programs. The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Chris Willits, Assistant Superintendent 18360 Caldart Ave. NE, Poulsbo WA 98370 (360) 396-3003 cwillits@nkschools.org Lari Buijten, Assistant Director of Special Education 18360 Caldart Ave. NE, Poulsbo WA 98370 (360) 396-3072 lbuijten@nkschools.org



Winter Weather Plan

How do you know if school is delayed or cancelled?

You will get a phone call from the school district if school is delayed or cancelled. We will use our district's telephone notification system to let you know if schools are running two hours late, or if they are closed for the day. All parents and staff members will receive a telephone call at approximately 5:30am to let you know the status. **PLEASE MAKE SURE WE HAVE A WORKING PHONE NUMBER FOR YOU.** If there is NO announcement, schools are operating on a normal schedule. Detailed information can be found on district website at www.nkschools.org



Help Wanted

Project Linus is a national volunteer non-profit organization providing comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets.

Gordon students have been part of the Peninsula Chapter of Project Linus since 2007. Adult volunteers from the community come every Wednesday during lunch recesses (12:00-1:15) to work with boys and girls in grades 3-5. Volunteers patiently teach basic knitting skills and students have a great time not only learning a new skill but also giving to a worthy cause that can make a difference in a young life. Students knit 6" squares that are then sewn together into blankets by the adults. Project Linus volunteers distribute student blankets to children at Children's Hospital in Seattle in June of each year.

At this time we are in need of more volunteers to help teach our students to knit. If you are interested please contact the school counselor Jennifer Seemueller at (360)396-3810 or jseemueller@nkschools.org.



Colder & Wetter Weather is Coming!

Please make sure your child comes to school prepared for the cooler and wet weather. Recess is an important social and learning time for children and children go outside on drizzly days.

Holiday Shoppe Donation Drive Has Been Extended!

We need more stuff! Donations can be dropped off until the end of November.

Please consider donating:

- *Anything Goodwill would accept, but NO CLOTHES please.
- *Gently used items as gifts for dads, moms, sisters, brothers, grandparents, caregivers, etc.
- *Items that can fit into a child's backpack – nothing too large or overly heavy please.
- *No toys that resemble weapons, no pocket knives, etc.

Meet Your School Board

nksdboard@nkschools.org

Jim Almond

Glen Robbins

Bill Webb

Cindy Webster-Martinson

Beth Worthington

December Board Meeting

Thursday, December 14th

All meetings begin at 6 p.m. and are held in the Student Support Center, Board Room, 18360 Caldart Ave. NE Poulsbo

NKSD Mission Statement

North Kitsap School District in partnership with the community, will provide an academically challenging educational program to meet the diverse needs of all students in a safe, nurturing environment and empower them to be competent, creative, compassionate, and contributing citizens.

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