

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024 7:30 AM - 9:30 AM RIBBON CUTTING WILL BE AT 9:00 AM

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST STUDENTS, PARENTS, & COMMUNITY LEADERS ARE INVITED



Come and see our beautiful new building, complete with new administrative offices, bathrooms, nurse station, gathering foyer, gymnasium, state-of-the-art kitchen, and so much more. Cascade Union Elementary School District students will enjoy the new building for years to come. Our taxpayers are awesome and we want to thank the community for the support it has provided to our district.

# PARENT NEWSLETTER



# January 2024

#### Principal's Message

Meadow Lane Families.

Happy New Year! I hope you spent the Winter Break enjoying the company of family, friends and good food!

It's an exciting time to come back to school. Our new gym and administrative offices are now open for staff and students. Breakfast and lunch will be served from the new kitchen and in the multipurpose room. Also, construction is still underway in some areas on campus so there will still be fencing in the areas that are off limits to staff, students and parents. Thank you for your patience and please help us to have a successful opening.

In the classrooms, staff and students will be focusing on mastering the standards and this month's character trait: Respect. Please see the attached parent flyer for ways you can support this important trait at home.

Let's have a great month! As always please reach out if you have questions or concerns.

Kindly,

Karen Maki Principal



#### **School Information**

Begins at 8:00 am

Dismissal: TK/K at 1:45 pm, Minimum at 12:45 pm Dismissal: 1st-5th at 2:00 pm, Minimum at 1:00 pm

#### **School Holidays & Breaks**

1/15 Martin Luther King Holiday

2/19-23 February Break4/1-5 Spring Break

5/27 Memorial Day Holiday6/6 Last Day of School

#### Please Arrive on Time to School

If your student arrives after 8:00 am, please have them check in at the office for a pass to class. The office is able to then mark them present and avoids autodialer calls stating your student is absent. Thank you for your cooperation, it is important to have accurate attendance for student safety. If your child is going to be **absent please call** the school office at (530) 378-7030.



1/9 School Resumes on Tuesday

1/9 Parent Booster Meeting 6:00pm

1/12 Grand Opening-Pancake Breakfast

1/15 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday NO SCHOOL

1/19 Coffee with The Principal, 8:00 AM (Date changed from 1/12)

1/30 100th Day of School

# JANUARY SCHOOL NEWS



#### **Monthly Character Trait**



This month's trait is "RESPECT". This month we're challenging students to reflect on their experiences and take responsibility for how they choose to learn and grow from these experiences . See more information on the attached Family Newsletter from Capturing Kids Hearts. The 3 steps include activities to help families celebrate their accomplishments, identify new areas to improve, and consider new ways to serve others.

**December Activities** 

December was a busy but FUN month here at Meadow Lane! All of our students went to the movie theater and watched The Grinch, each student received a popcorn and a small drink. Mrs. Saltsman created a Gingerbread House in the library and read the book titled "Gingerbread Baby". Spirit week was so fun, everyone's outfits were so clever and creative. Students loved finding "Eagles" the Elf who was visiting from the North Pole.





#### Booster Club "Welcome to Whoville"



Our Parent Booster Club did such a fantastic job organizing and preparing for this event! The turnout was amazing. The selfies with "Mr. Grinch" was a huge hit. The Minute to Win It games were so fun and enjoyed by all. Pizza, hot chocolate and a sweet treat were yummy after all the fun. Each class created a beautiful themed basket and donated it to the raffle. Basket themes included baking, reading, arts and crafts, board games, family fun and so many more. The containers for each basket were stuffed with raffle tickets because everyone as hoping to win one.

#### **Christmas Concert TK-2nd Grades**





Meadow Lane's Music teacher, Mr. Martinez worked with our students to learn Christmas songs and movements in preparation for this holiday concert. Grades TK through 2nd performed at Anderson Middle School for their families. All three concerts were adorable and our youngest students were so much fun to watch. Thank you Mr. Martinez for a wonderful Christmas Concert.









# JANUARY SCHOOL NEWS

#### **Coffee with The Principal**



Coffee with the Principal was moved to Friday, January 19th at 8:00 am. Please join Mrs. Maki in our new foyer for coffee and donuts. She is excited to share the "Good Things" happening at Meadow Lane, espe-

cially opening our new building.

#### 100th Day of School

Tuesday, January 30th will be our 100th Day of School. Many classrooms will celebrate this day in a fun and creative way. Watch ParentSquare Posts from teachers for more information.

#### **Lost & Found**

We have almost two racks full of Lost & Found items that have been left at school, Please stop by the office to find your students' lost clothing items. Lost & Found should be relocated to the new office early next week.

#### **Attendance & Sick Students**

Student attendance plays an important role in your child's academic success. Please do your best to schedule appointments at the beginning or end of the school day to avoid missing the entire day. If your child is sick the office must be notified for it to be considered excused.

#### Join the Parent Booster Club

Please mark your calendar. They meet the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm in room #4. They have fundraisers and events planned for he next few months. They would be love to have extra help planning and executing these . Please plan to attend the next meeting .

## December's RESPONSIBILITY

#### **Character Award Recipients**

Congratulations to the students listed below who were chosen to receive the December
Character Award by their teachers.

Abigail Clark Allie Browand Aurora Gibson Bentley Johnson Bentley Steven Boyd Kirch **Brexlee Rogers** Connor O'Hara Donovan Gallegos Hailey Clark Harleigh White Isabella Puga Jack Dixon **James Poen Iustin Garcia** Karalei Broome Kaspyn Michaels Katelyn Pollan Kylee Blackwood Lorenzo Lopez

Lydia Kelley Lynia Soukkeo Makai Spangrude-Clemens Nevaeh Salazar Nicholas DePoister Nulie Her Roselynn Kesner Rubyanna Balderrama Samanatha Sherrill Scarlett Duckett Scarlett Stahle Scarlett Williams Sebastian Matthews Serberus Kluis Tavin Papstein **Watson Lankins** Xyla Ceaser

## **Meadow Lane Elementary School**



## Construction Update It's Completed! We've Moved In!

We are so excited to announce that construction of Meadow Lane's new Administrative Offices and Multi-purpose Gymnasium is now complete! We appreciate all of our students, families, and staff's patience as we experienced these growing pains on campus. The new office, cafeteria and gymnasium opened on Tuesday, January 9th.

Final touches and detail work was completed during the last month. We enjoyed watching the construction projects progress. Office furniture and cabinets were delivered mid December, assembled and arranged. Our technology department relocated office staff phones, computers, copier, etc. during break so the office would be ready to assist students, families and staff when we opened. The first week of January Comer Communications installed cables throughout the building for

WiFi service, the drop down screen in the gymnasium and many other smaller details to make sure the office could function. The new building was officially turned over to Cascade Union Elementary School District on December 22, 2023. The trailer that served as the construction office for 18 months was removed on January 5th. It was exciting to see it drive off leaving only our beautiful new building.

Our Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Celebration will be held on Friday, January 12th beginning at 7:30 am. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be at 9:00 AM. Parents and community leaders are invited to attend a pancake breakfast, tour the new building complete with new administrative offices, bathrooms, nurse station, gathering foyer, gymnasium, state-of-the-art kitchen, and so much more. Please see the Grand Opening Event flyer for more information.



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## Honor You, Honor Me

Give honor and value to ourselves and others.



This month, we're focusing on respect, which comes in many forms: respect for life, for property, for parents, for elders, for nature, and for the beliefs and rights of others. Respect includes being courteous and polite, as well as respecting yourself by avoiding self-criticism. We can model respect for our children regarding how we speak to and treat them. Respect is not only an important character trait, but it can also be a source of real joy! Respect implies a certain appreciation, which makes us more aware of other people's needs and feelings.

### ENGAGE: Honor Each Other

As a family, create an Honor Board where family members and friends can write affirmations to the person of honor. (Make sure each family member gets to be the honoree.) The Honor Board can be made of construction paper, poster board, or a blank piece of paper. Once the board is complete, encourage the family member to display it so they can see it often and remember the great things others see in them.

## 2 EMPOWER: Practice Forgiveness

Everyone makes mistakes. Ask each family member to share a story about a time they made a mistake (at school, work, home, etc.) and discuss what lessons they learned. Share this quote: "Mistakes don't define us, but how we respond to mistakes will." Ask, "How can we show honor for each other, even when we make a mistake or disagree?" Process each person's response and thank everyone for their willingness to share. Challenge each other to respond to mistakes this week with love and respect.

#### EXCEL: Honor Those Who Serve

Celebrate members of your community who lead through service to others. Write "Thank You" notes to someone that has helped or served your family. Consider people in your community like veterans, teachers, nurses/doctors, ministers, bus drivers, police officers, firefighters, mail carriers, etc. Deliver these notes with a special treat.

#### **Conversation Starters**

- What is the biggest lesson you learned last year?
- What is something you want LESS of in the next year? Why?
- What is something you want MORE of this next year? Why?
- What makes you feel respected? Disrespected? Why?



**Did You Know?** 

Missing more than 10% (2 days per month) of school can put students behind academically.

Being late to school, or leaving early, can contribute to poor overall attendance.

Students who attend regularly feel better about school and themselves. Check the School Calendar and Class Schedule

With 180 days of school in a school year, there are many other days available for trips, vacations and appointments.

Check the class schedule to determine the best time for appointments that can't be scheduled on non-school days.

If missing school can't be avoided, call the school office well in advance to discuss independent study.

#### What Else You Can Do?

For health concerns: Contact your family physician, the school, or county health office for resources.

For parenting tips: Contact your principal or school counselor for parenting resources offered by the school or community.

Set attendance goals and celebrate success! Involve students in goal-setting and planning how to celebrate.





# BREAKFAST

Cascade Union Elementary School District All breakfasts include the following components: 2 Oz. Grains, 1 Cup Fruit & 1 Cup Milk. \*Optional breakfast is cereal, crackers, fruit & milk.

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All lunches include the following components: 1 Cup Milk, 1-2 Oz. Meat/Meat Alt., 1-2 Oz Grains, Fruit & vegetables

EGG & CHEESE CROISSANT CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH FRUIT, BIRTHDAY TREAT VEGGIES & RANCH BAKED BEANS CORN DOG PANCAKES PANCAKES SALAD FRUIT FRUIT FRUIT PIZZA FRUT BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST LUNCH LUNCH LUNCH LOADED POPCORN CHICKEN BOWL MASHED POTATOES & FRUIT FRUIT & YOGURT PARFAIT Thursday EGGS & TOAST MAC & CHEESE GREEN BEANS EGGS & TOAST FRESH FRUIT MEATLOAF SUN CHIPS FRUIT FRUIT FRUT BREAKFAST: REAKFAST: REAKFAST LUNCH LUNCH LUNCH 8 CHICKEN, RICE & BEAN BURRITO ORANGE CHICKEN & RICE BOWL rer Break-STRING CHEESE & FRUIT STRING CHEESE & FRUIT STRING CHEESE & FRUIT STRING CHEESE & FRUIT HOMEMADE MUFFIN HOMEMADE MUFFIN HOMEMADE MUFFIN Wednesday HOMEMADE MUFFIN SPAGHETTI & ROLL EGG MCMUFFIN HASHBROWNS CARROTS BROCCOLI FRUIT FRUIT SALAD FROT FROT BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: LUNCH LUNCH: LUNCH LUNCH ဓ္က CHICKEN, RICE & BEAN BURRITO SAUSAGE, EGG & CHEESE BISCUIT FRENCH TOAST & SAUSAGE REFRIED BEANS, SALSA CHICKEN QUESADILLA CHILL & CORNBREAD POTATO WEDGES BISCUIT & GRAVY BISCUIT & GRAVY **Desday** EGGS & TOAST HASHBROWN CARROTS FRUIT FRUIT FRUIT FRUT FRUIT FROT BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: LUNCH LUNCH LUNCH LUNCH SAUSAGE, EGG & CHEESE BISCUIT SAUSAGE, EGG & CHEESE BISCUIT FRENCH TOAST & SAUSAGE BEAN & CHEESE BURRITO CARROTS & FRUIT Monday SCHOOL SCHOOL HASHBROWN HOMEMADE 2 FRUIT FRUIT FROT BREAKFAST: BREAKFAST: LUNCH LUNCH

Menus are subject to change This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Happy Birthday to everyone with a birthday in January! y provider. Birthday treat comes with hot lunch only.