

THE HOWLER

Garibaldi Grade School | Newsletter



January 2024

Welcome back to a new calendar year! We hope your family had a relaxing and enjoyable Winter Break.

Our 90% and above attendance is looking a lot better this year! We appreciate all of your efforts and hope to see it continue throughout the school year!

Important No School Days and Reminders

January 1st, Monday | No School - New Years Holiday Observed

January 2nd, Tuesday | School Resumes

January 8th, Monday | No School - Professional Development

January 8th, Monday | School Board Meeting, 6:30pm

January 15th, Monday | No School - Martin Luther King Day Holiday



GGG Spirit Week Coin Drive Results!

Thank you families for helping your student participate in our Spirit Week Coin Drive. Our older students came together and decided on raising funds for our local Tillamook Animal Shelter. Through the fun of Spirit Week, we were able to raise over (TBD) for the Shelter and we hope to present them with our donation check during an all school assembly.

January's Characteristic is Being Organized

Each month, GGS focuses on a personal characteristic and teaches it to our students. Our focus for the month of January is being organized. Students who are organized plan and set goals and prioritize them. They are able to plan and carefully keep things neat.



At the end of the month we will be handing out three awards in each class, two for students who were demonstrating being organized and one Pride of the Pack award focused on perseverance. Please talk with your child(ren) around the conversations they are having at school on being organized.

2023-24 Statewide Assessments, 3rd-5th Grades

Every year we need to notify families of the Statewide Assessments that will be happening. Oregon law permits parents to annually opt-out of Oregon's statewide assessments in English Language Arts and/or Mathematics by submitting an annual form to the school the student attends. Please view the notice at this link: [OSAS Opt Out Form English](#) or ask for a paper form in the school office.



Every Day Matters and We're Here to Help!

Students miss school for many reasons. Some are related to transportation or basic needs, and others are connected to emotional or academic challenges. No matter what the reason, it's important to address the root cause before a student falls behind.

Identifying barriers to attendance is an important part of keeping students engaged in school, graduating on time, and thriving in all areas of their lives. Let us know how we can help, GGS wants your child to succeed and is focused on helping smooth the way to regular attendance!

Students who are present for 90% or more in the month of January will get to play Bingo!

Ms. H's Counseling Corner

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful break! In the month of December we started talking about our "red flag warnings" to help us identify and name our feelings. Our bodies give us clues to help us recognize when we are experiencing an



manage that feeling. This is when we talk about our Wise Wolf Way #5, we notice our “red flags” and then we can exit the emotional elevator on a lower floor.



January is the month that we will be reviewing all of our tools and practicing how to use them in different situations. We will also begin the next section of the Child Protection Unit. We will be using our 3 ways to stay safe and apply them to safe, unsafe, and unwanted touches. The third part to our lessons will be how to report these unsafe or unwanted touches to someone in our constellation of support. There will be an email sent out later in

the month with a link to the information contained in this unit.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at cherieh@nknsc.org, or call.

Classroom Celebrations, Volunteering, and Field Trips

Reminder that all food that is brought for classroom celebrations needs to be store bought or food prepared in an health department inspected kitchen. Please let your child's teacher know prior to bringing in treats, it makes it easier for them to schedule a time to celebrate.

Also, if you would like to volunteer during a classroom party or field trip, remember you will need to have an approved volunteer background check on file. They are good for 3 years. Some field trips there is limited number of spots for volunteers, so please make sure you get the teacher's approval before making plans to attend.

Join the GGS Parent Group!



GGG Parent Group meeting: Tues, January 9th at 6PM on Zoom.
In an effort to boost attendance and better accommodate dinner/bedtime schedules, the monthly Parent Group meeting is online! Find the link on our FaceBook page.

New members are especially welcome!

Follow us on FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/GaribaldiParentGroup>

Email: garibaldiparentgroup@gmail.com

NKN School Board Meetings

Next Meeting is Monday, January 8th, 6:30pm

This is a monthly meeting of our School Board. The meeting takes place at our District Office or through Zoom. You can access this meeting through our district website (www.nknsc.org) under "School Board" and then "Board Meetings".

Inclement Weather Communication Plan



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Inclement Weather Communication Plan (Revised 12/4/2023)

Neah-Kah-Nie Staff, Students, and Parents,

In case of inclement weather and/or a power outage, here is the school district's Delayed Start Communication Plan.

Monday-Friday

5:00 a.m. Road checks by First Student and NKN School Superintendent

5:45 a.m. First Student and superintendent will discuss road conditions to determine if a school delay or school closure is necessary. If the decision is to cancel or delay school, the superintendent will notify staff.

6:00 a.m. Public notice of school cancellation or delay by the school district will be available on the school district's Facebook and website pages (nknsd.org), FlashAlert, and School Messenger.

In the case of inclement weather or a power outage, the school district will make timely and safe decisions based on current conditions. In case of a power outage, the school district will communicate with Tillamook PUD staff to determine next steps.

If there is a two hour delay, elementary staff will report to work at 9:30; school will begin at 10:00. At the secondary level, staff will report to work at 10:00 and school will begin at 10:45.

Parents, if there is a two hour delay, your child will need to be at the bus stop two hours later than the regular bus pick up time, for example, if your child is normally picked up at 8:10 a.m., with a two hour delay, your child will be picked up at 10:10 a.m.

Breakfast will not be provided on a delayed start day.

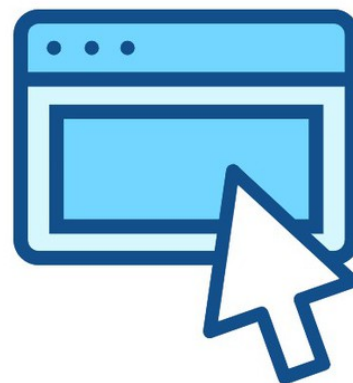
Sincerely,

Dr. Tyler Reed, Superintendent
Neah-Kah-Nie School District

GGG information online

How to Find GGS Information Online!

Besides our monthly Howler Newsletter, you can find school information online! Our district has an informative website at www.nknsd.org and Garibaldi Grade School has a page with all sorts of great information for our families. You can find this monthly newsletter, student handbook and even a parent page with information on busing, school lunches, wellness and more!



Reminder: Sign up for FlashAlert!

As we move into the stormy weather months, you can receive FlashAlert messages from NKN School District updating you on any delays or closures. To do this you go to

<https://www.flashalert.net/>, *manage your messenger subscription*, and make sure you are signed up for Neah-Kah-Nie School District.

Be a Substitute at Garibaldi Grade School!

Sign up to be an Instructional Assistant (classified) or Teacher (certified) substitute at any of our schools. Neah-Kah-Nie School District has contracted with ESS for our substitute services. To become a substitute for the District please go to [ESS.com](https://www.ess.com), click on the Job Seeker tab and type in Neah-Kah-Nie School District to begin the application process. If you have questions about the application process, or becoming a substitute, please contact 866-208-7454 x1 or email: applicationswest@ess.com.

Vision Screenings - January 23rd

On **Tuesday January 23rd, 2024 Vision Screenings** will be offered by the Lions Club for all students. These screenings occur each year as part of required Oregon school based health screenings. A







follow up letter will be sent home within a few weeks of the screening **ONLY** if there are unexpected results or if your student needs a follow up screening with an eye doctor. We appreciate this opportunity offered by the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation.



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PLEASE KEEP STUDENTS WITH SYMPTOMS OUT OF SCHOOL

This list is school instructions, not medical advice. Please contact your health care provider with health concerns.

SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	THE STUDENT MAY RETURN AFTER... *The list below tells the shortest time to stay home. A student may need to stay home longer for some illnesses.
 Fever: temperature of 100.4°F (38°C) or greater	*Fever-free for 24 hours without taking fever-reducing medicine.
 New cough illness	* Symptoms improving for 24 hours (no cough or cough is well-controlled).
 New difficulty breathing	* Symptoms improving for 24 hours (breathing comfortably). <i>Urgent medical care may be needed.</i>
 Diarrhea: 3 loose or watery stools in a day OR not able to control bowel movements	*Symptom-free for 48 hours OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
 Vomiting: one or more episode that is unexplained	*Symptom-free for 48 hours OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
 Headache with stiff neck and fever	*Symptom-free OR with orders from doctor to school nurse. Follow fever instructions above. <i>Urgent medical care may be needed.</i>
Skin rash or open sores	*Symptom free , which means rash is gone OR sores are dry or can be completely covered by a bandage OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Red eyes with colored drainage	*Symptom-free , which means redness and drainage are gone OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Jaundice: new yellow color in eyes or skin	*After the school has orders from doctor or local public health authority to school nurse.
Acting differently without a reason: unusually sleepy, grumpy, or confused.	*Symptom-free , which means return to normal behavior OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Major health event , like an illness lasting 2 or more weeks OR a hospital stay, OR health condition requires more care than school staff can safely provide.	*After the school has orders from doctor to school nurse AND after measures are in place for the student's safety. Please work with school staff to address special health-care needs so the student may attend safely.



AT NEAH-KAH-NIE HIGH SCHOOL

HOURS:

Tuesdays	8:30 am – 12:00 pm / 1:00 – 4:30 pm (Closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00 pm)
Wednesdays	8:30 am – 12:30 pm / 1:30 – 4:30 pm (Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm)
Thursdays <small>Counseling appointments only</small>	8:30 am – 12:00 pm / 1:00 – 4:30 pm (Closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00 pm)

JANUARY 2024

GARIBALDI GRADE SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HAPPY NEW YEAR 1	Breakfast Bar 2 Chicken Quesadilla Deli Sandwich	Cream Cheese Bagel 3 Teriyaki Beef Bento Deli Sandwich	Scrambled Eggs & English Muffin 4 Chicken Burger Tuna Salad	Oatmeal Rounds 5 Meatball Sub Little Dipper Bento
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NO SCHOOL 8	Pancakes 9 Nachos Deli Sub	Breakfast Sandwich 10 Tater Tot Casserole Chef's Salad	Banana Bread 11 Tillamook Cheese Burger Cobb Chop Salad	Biscuits & Gravy 12 Chicken Strip Basket Deli Sandwich
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY NO SCHOOL 15	Cream Cheese Bagel 16 Enchiladas Chef's Salad	Pancake on a Stick 17 Shepard's Pie Deli Sandwich	Breakfast Bar 18 Pulled Pork Sandwich Chef's Salad	Cinnamon Rolls 19 Breakfast for Lunch
Waffles 22 Corn Dog & Fries Deli Sandwich	Scrambled Eggs & Biscuits 23 Taco Tuesday Chef's Salad	Blueberry Muffin 24 Spaghetti Deli Sub	Breakfast Burrito 25 Sloppy Joe Chicken Taco Salad	Oatmeal Rounds 26 Pizza Sticks Little Dipper Bento
French Toast 29 Cheesy Breadsticks with Marinara Deli Sandwich	Yogurt Parfait 30 Burrito Deli Sandwich	Biscuits & Gravy 31 Orange Chicken over Rice Deli Sandwich		

A variety of fresh fruits and vegetables are available daily on our offering bar. All of our bread and pasta items are whole wheat or whole grain. Every day choices of 1% and fat-free milk are offered. Whole grain cereal is an option at breakfast. Menu items are subject to change if needed.
 "This institute is an equal opportunity provider"

FREE school breakfast and Lunch!

All Students are able to receive free school breakfast and lunch. No paperwork or forms are needed. A huge 'Thank You' to our staff, budget committee, and school board for making this happen!

Students have two lunch entrée options and a full fruit and vegetable bar to choose from daily. Just a reminder, if your child brings a lunch from home or wants a second milk, milk will cost .55 cents. As always, let us know if you have any questions.

BIG NEWS!!!

BEGINNING NOV. 14, ALL STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE **FREE** SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

A HUGE 'THANK YOU' TO OUR STAFF, BUDGET COMMITTEE, AND SCHOOL BOARD FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN!

NO PAPERWORK OR FORMS NEEDED! JUST GET A SCHOOL MEAL AND ENJOY AT NO COST!

FREE DAILY MEALS





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