

THE HOWLER

Garibaldi Grade School | Newsletter



May 2024

GGs has lots of exciting field trips and activities coming up. Be sure to check your students backpacks and Thursday Folders to make sure you are not missing any important announcements!

And an important reminder, if you would like to volunteer for a field trip, you will need a district volunteer application approved and on file. Any questions, contact the office.

Important Upcoming Dates

May 6th, Monday - No School, In Service Day

May 7-10th, Tues-Fri - Scholastic Book Fair

May 22nd, Wednesday - 5th Grade Transition Night at Middle School from 5-6pm

May 23rd, Thursday - Spring Concert, 6:00pm in the GGS gym

May 27, Monday, No School Memorial Day



Spring Music Concert

Thursday, May 23rd at 6:00pm (5:45pm classrooms open)

Students have been working hard on perfecting their performances for the spring concert. Please join us in the GGS gym and enjoy our preschool-5th grade music performances and what they have been learning about in music with Mr. Simpson.



GGG Kindergarten Round-Up

Thursday, May 9th from 8:30am-10am

Do you have an incoming Kindergarten for the 2024-25 school year? Please join us to find out more about GGS's Kindergarten program. Come find out what to expect next year, learn about curriculum and meet teachers/staff. Your child will also have the opportunity to visit a kindergarten classroom and go on a short bus ride!

5th Grade Transition to Middle School

The month of May is full of getting our current 5th graders prepared to head on to our middle school next year. On Wednesday, May 22nd, from 5-6pm incoming 6th graders and their families are invited to "NKN Middle School Transition Night" up at the middle school in Rockaway. Families and students will learn all about what middle school will be like and how to successfully make the transition. Students and parents will come away feeling prepared, ready and excited about starting 6th grade. Then on Wednesday, May 29th, the 5th grade students will go as a group and visit the school themselves.





GGG's Book Fair is May 7-10!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming next week, May 7-10. The Book Fair will be held in the GGS Library, during students' regular library days. Families may also purchase books on the Scholastic Store online from April 15-May 19. Please visit the website for Garibaldi Grade School's Online Scholastic Book Fair: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/garibaldigradeschool>

May's Characteristic is Integrity

Each month, GGS focuses on a personal characteristic and teaches it to our students.

Our focus for the month May is Integrity. Students demonstrate integrity by doing the right thing when no one is looking, taking pride in their work and makes the right decision regardless of what others are doing.

At the end of the month we will be handing out three awards in each class, two for students who were demonstrating Integrity 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 how they show Integrity.

Counselor's Corner- Ms. H.

Excitement is in the air as we approach the end of another school year! We have finished up our unit on bully prevention and we are now discovering the ways to be a good friend. We are talking about the ways we can use our "Tools" to help others feel cared for and included, as well as how to use them when we have a disagreement. The 10 tips below are the topics that I will cover in my classroom lessons.



During May we will also focus on career exploration. As the students participate in my lessons, I'm hoping that it will spark curiosity in the world of work and some of the different job opportunities that are available. It will be a time where the students will do some self exploration to learn more about themselves and their unique capabilities and how those might align with certain careers. We will end the month revisiting our safety rules and ways to stay safe.

If you have any questions, or need more information please feel free to contact me, cherieh@nknsd.org.



Let's end the year with strong school attendance! Much of your child's learning today is built upon what they learned the day before! So when students miss school for any reason, excused or unexcused, this creates a gap and impacts their ability to participate in learning. This learning gap becomes significant when a student misses 10% or more of school.



GGs wants your child to succeed and is focused on helping smooth the way to regular attendance. Share your challenges so the staff can help. We have many resources and staff to assist you, from our counselors, community resource coordinators, district nurse, you are not alone! ***Students who are present for 90% or more in the month of May will get to have a bubble & chalk recess!***



Field Day Volunteers Wanted!

It's that time of the year once again! Mrs. Baertlein is looking for awesome parent volunteers to help with the end of year field day on June 7th, from 12-2pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the office or click here to sign up: [Field Day Volunteer Sign-Up](#)

Art Literacy: Zines and the Art of Creating Self-published Books

In April students expressed their experiences, emotions and expertise through the art of Zine creation inspired by artist and conservationist Maddi Bacon. Maddi utilizes experiences working in the National Parks Services and with Conservation Corps to inspire their creation of zines and comic books. Maddi's recent project, Mount Steel: a Glacier Story is a part of the Terminus collaborative project sponsored by Olympic National Park.

Students began the lesson exploring the history and significance of Zines from the Harlem Renaissance in the 1920s through current day. Next students participate in a topic generating activity that explores the use of adjectives, nouns and verbs in a fun mad-lib style way to create unique, and often silly, project titles.

The lesson culminates with students learning how to create an 8-page book through strategic folds and cuts using one single sheet of paper. Using fineliner markers, watercolor brush pens, and a variety of other Zine-friendly mediums students share their voice and perspectives with peers through these fun, tiny book creations.

The Art Literacy Program is presented by Sitka Center for Art & Ecology, a non-profit organization. Through workshops, residencies and events the Sitka Center provides time and space for place-based reflection, inquiry and creation at the intersection of art and ecology. Sitka is currently seeking volunteers to help during monthly art literacy lessons in our classrooms. For more information, please contact Leeauna Perry at leeaunaperry@sitkacenter.org.



SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY

Neah-Kah-Nie to Honor the School Lunch Heroes Serving Healthy Meals

Celebrating School Lunch Hero Day on May 3, 2024

Garibaldi, Rockaway, Nehalem— Between preparing delicious food, adhering to strict nutrition standards, navigating student food allergies, and offering service with a smile, NKN nutrition professionals have a lot on their plate. To celebrate their hard work and commitment, Neah-Kah-Nie schools will celebrate School Lunch Hero Day on May 3. This day, celebrated annually since 2013, was designated by The School Nutrition Association and Jarrett Krosoczka, author of the “Lunch Lady” graphic novel series. School Lunch Hero Day provides an opportunity for parents, students, school staff and communities to thank those who provide healthy meals to nearly 30 million of America’s students each school day.

All across the school district, school nutrition professionals will be honored and recognized by students, school staff, parents, and the community.

“School nutrition employees must balance many roles and follow numerous federal, state and local regulations to ensure safe and healthy meals are available in schools. School Lunch Hero Day provides the opportunity for the community to thank these hardworking heroes for their dedication to fueling our students for success,” said Kris Troutman, Food Service Director.

Federal nutrition standards ensure that school cafeterias always offer low-fat or fat-free milk, fruits, vegetables, whole grains and lean protein. School meals also meet limits on calories, sodium and unhealthy fats. The importance and nutritional value of school meals are well documented. For many children, school lunch is the most important and nutrient-rich meal of their day.

Get the details about School Lunch Hero Day at www.schoollunchheroday.com. To learn more about the school nutrition program, visit NKNSD.org

The School Nutrition Association (SNA) is a national, non-profit professional organization representing 50,000 school nutrition professionals across the country. Founded in 1946, SNA and its members are dedicated to making healthy school meals and nutrition education available to all students. To find out more about today’s school meals, visit www.schoolnutrition.org/SchoolMeals.

MAY 2024

GARIBALDI GRADE SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Professional Development NO SCHOOL 6	 Breakfast Sandwich 7 Chicken Quesadilla Deli Sandwich	Blueberry Muffin 1 Tater Tot Casserole Chef's Salad	Biscuit & Sausage 2 Tillamook Cheese Burger Deli Sandwich	Pancakes 3 Chicken Strips over Rice Deli Sandwich
Breakfast Bar 13 Cheesy Breadsticks & Marinara Deli Sandwich	Scrambled Eggs & English Muffin 14 Taco Salad PB & J	Strawberry Smoothie 15 Chicken Alfredo Deli Sandwich	Breakfast Burrito 16 Hamburger Gravy & Mashed Potatoes Deli Sandwich	Oatmeal Rounds 17 Chicken Cheesy Broccoli Bake Cheese Quesadilla
Waffles 20 Corn Dogs Deli Sandwich	Breakfast Bagel 21 Taco Tuesday Chef's Salad	Breakfast Pizza 22 Spaghetti Deli Sub	Yogurt Parfait 23 Pulled Pork Sandwich Cobb Salad	Cinnamon Rolls 24 Breakfast For Lunch
Memorial Day No School 27	French Toast 28 Burritos Deli Sandwich	Breakfast Bar 29 Orange Chicken & Rice Chef's Salad	Biscuit & Sausage 30 Sloppy Joe & Tots Chicken Salad	Pancakes 31 Pepperoni Pizza Sticks Little Dipper Bento

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. Gluten free options are available. Every day choices of 1% and fat-free milk are offered. Whole grain cereal is an option for breakfast. Menu items are subject to change if needed.

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NKN Local Wellness Program

WHY DO WE HAVE A LOCAL WELLNESS PROGRAM?

Our Wellness Policy focuses on the whole student by assisting in the development and education of their physical, emotional, intellectual, social and nutritional health and wellbeing.

WHAT HAS NKN BEEN DOING TO PROMOTE STUDENT WELLNESS?

- Daily Physical Activity
- FREE nutritious meals every day
- District School Nurse
- Full time counselors at all buildings
- Annual Health Fair
- Health and Wellness Center



For more information visit the Neah-Kah-Nie Wellness webpage:

- Triennial assessment results
- NKN Local Wellness Board Policy
- Oregon requirements for Local School Wellness Policy
- Contact details

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School Presents...

The 3rd Annual Summer Enrichment Program

Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School is excited to offer a FREE 1 week summer enrichment program for our students entering grades 6-8. Students will have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of activities including: art, athletics, nature survival skills, team-building, field trips, and more. Transportation and lunch will be provided at no cost to participants.

Dates: Monday, August 21st - Friday August 25th.

Times: 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Register online using this [link](#) or contact the Middle School Office at 503-355-2990. Email angied@nknsd.org if you have any questions. Space is limited, so reserve your spot now.



MAY
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Annual Jump Rope Workshop!

Come JUMP with the Tsunami Skippers!

On Saturday May 18th at Seaside High School from 9am-11am we will be teaching single rope tricks, long ropes, double dutch and have prizes and contests! This is a great way to learn the requirements to be a team member in the coming season or just come have fun with our 2024 team! Registration is at 8:30am and we will start at 9am. A rope is included in the \$25 registration fee! See you in May!!

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