



## FRIDAY MUSINGS (THURS. EDITION)

11/11/2016

*"Be someone who makes everyone feel like a Somebody!" Unknown Author*

### MUSIC NIGHT

Music Night 2016 is almost upon us. Join us Friday, November 18th at 6.30pm. All children from Kalama through Tahoma will be on stage and all students and their families from Tumtum through Tahoma are invited to attend as we celebrate our musical talents!

### GARDNER GEAR

Don't forget to order your Gardner Gear! Last day to order is the 22nd of November. Samples will be in the foyer soon :)

**Shirts:** <https://www.customink.com/g/een0-00at-4td2>

**Hoodies:** <https://www.customink.com/g/een0-00at-7u2u>

**Hats:** <https://www.customink.com/g/een0-00at-b0zc>

### CULMINATING EVENT

Add this most important day to your calendar: **Wednesday, December 14th**, for our first Culminating Event of the school year! Grandparents and special friends are warmly invited to come along and join with us as classes share their thematic studies in many different ways! It is a wonderful opportunity to see your child's learning and also a chance to see what else is happening across the school. Activities start at 8:30am. A schedule of events will be made available as we get closer.

### GardneReach

An integral component of Gardner's program is connecting with people and projects in our own community. I am excited to announce that we are partnering with A Dog's Best Friend (one of our awesome supporters) and SHARE to put together 500 "Blessing Bags" to comfort the homeless this holiday season.

Each bag will be filled with items such as deodorant, toothbrush, soap, rain poncho, chapstick, socks, etc. In addition, there will be a "Blessing Card" in each bag written by a Gardner Student!

We will be assembling bags during the day of **December 15th**. All items will be collected by ADBF, but If you have any such toiletries, socks, gloves, beanies, or canned food you'd like to donate as well, it would be appreciated. If you have some free time that day (time TBD), we would welcome your help assembling bags! Thank you for your support!

### MISCELLANEOUS

- The Gardner School Staff is looking for a few parents to help with aftercare on **Wednesday, December 14th**. This is the day of our Holiday Staff Party, and I'd like **all** staff to be able to attend. Are there 3-4 parents willing to help us out and watch the kiddos from 2-4pm? If so, please email Jeff. Thank you :)
- A little motivational lift for your day: [video here](#)
- [Here is a great article](#) on the importance of cultivating your child's sense of humor.
- **Harvest Festival Leftovers!** If you happen to have loaned us any ladders, lights, cords etc. Please come by the Farmhouse and pick them up by next week.

### NEXT WEEK

- 15 – *Wy'East Field Trip to Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center*
- 16 – *Auction Meeting in the Farmhouse @ 8:30am. Finance Committee Meeting @ 4:00pm*
- 17 – *Marketing/Development Committee 8:45am in Farmhouse*
- 18 – *Annual Music Night! 6:30-8:00pm - Don't Miss Out!*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### NOVEMBER

21 – *Gardner School Community Celebration of Patrice's Life - 10:30 am. Evening get together at a location TBA for adults*

23-25 – *Thanksgiving Holiday-No School (NCC)*

#### DECEMBER

5 – *Kinderkonzert Field Trip for Tumtum, Mazama, Kalama and Loowit*

7 – *Monthly meeting of the PTO-8:45am in the Farmhouse. Board of Trustees Meeting 5:30-8:30pm (Tentative Date)*

14 – *Culminating Event/Grandparents & Special Friends Day*

15 – *Buddy Walk and Breakfast, Blessing Bag Assembly*

19-Jan.2 – *Winter Break*

**A HUGE thank you to those of you that served!**

