

FRIDAY MUSINGS

12/2/2016

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." JFK

Culminating Event Grandparents and Special Friend Day

Wednesday, December 14th will be our first Culminating Event of the school year! Parents, Grandparents and Special Friends are invited to attend this one of a kind showcase of our U.S. History Thematic study.

Here is the schedule of events:

8.30-9.00 *Adults, Grandparents and Special Friends gather in the Great Room with Jeff*

9.00-9.45 *presentation round 1 in classrooms (TumTum, Mazama, Loowit, Wy'East, Klickitat and Tahoma)*

9.45-10.15 *presentation in Kalama; recess for Loowit through Tahoma (parents visit, watch Kalama Presentation, drink coffee)*

10.15-11.00 *presentation round 2 (Loowit - Tahoma only)*

11.00 *Parents, Grandparents, and Special Friends say goodbye*

2017 Art Calendars

The Tradition Continues!

The Gardner School

2017 ART Calendars

Celebrate children's art every month of the year

A holiday gift from the heart...that's ART!

Easy to wrap and easy to mail

\$15.00 each ... 2 for \$25 ... 5 for \$60

On sale now in the office....

Thanks for supporting the visual arts for kids!



Fall Annual Giving Campaign

Thank you to all of you who have donated to our Fall Annual Giving Campaign. I am hoping that we have a 100% response from our community and staff. I cannot tell you how appreciative I am for all you do for this school. This annual campaign is critical in continuing to push us along the path to become The Premier Independent School in the NorthWest. Any level of contribution you make is beneficial and appreciated!

Community Chair Project

The main purpose of this project is to raise awareness of the Gardner School in our local community, specifically focusing on our amazing art program. The chairs will be part of a gallery opening in Spring 2017 and will proceed on a 'road show' where they will be on display in local businesses. Eventually the chairs will be auctioned off at a community event in the Fall.

We are asking you to form a team of Gardner parents, students, alumni and friends that will plan a design and paint a chair. Proposals are in the Gardner foyer along with one the chairs on display.

Adirondack chair proposals are due to the office by Friday, December 16th. Questions? Contact Help us to spread the word about our amazing arts program!!!



Kids 2 Kids

This school never ceases to amaze me!

The other day, some parents told me that their child had come up with an amazing opportunity for a new charity. Our little student's idea, has now morphed into a real live, actionable cause. Talk about a #kidsfirst movement!

Next week, a donation tub will be placed in the foyer collecting money for Kids2Kids, a charity started by a Gardner student, benefitting local children this holiday season. The idea is that kids donate their own money (even if it's just 5 cents), not their parents' money, towards a cause and 100% of the funds will be used towards fulfilling a need of a child. The importance is not in how much they give, but that kids give on their own terms and can see the outcome of their efforts. We will show collection totals and let the kids know where their money went prior to Winter Break.

Know of a local child who would love a little lift this season? Email Cyndi at cyndi@cyndiparkerinteriors.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT WEEK

5 – Kinderkonzert Field Trip for Tumtum, Mazama, Kalama and Loowit; Board of Trustees Meeting 5:30-8:30pm.

6 – Mazama field trip to Full Plate Farm

7 – Monthly meeting of the PTO-8:45am in the Farmhouse.

DECEMBER

14 – Culminating Event/Grandparents & Special Friends Day (8.30am); Staff Holiday Party 2.30-4.30-**Thank you to: Denise Case, Sarah Nitsch, Jill Karmy, Dana Brenner-Kelly, Alisa Bruno and Gretchen Grey-Hatton for covering After Care so that the whole staff can celebrate!**

15 – Buddy Walk and Breakfast, Blessing Bag Assembly (Volunteers Welcome!)

19-Jan.2 – Winter Break (no school or day care)

JANUARY

3 - First Day back to school after Winter Break

16 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School or Day Care

17 - Faculty Work Day - No School. (Child Care Available)

18-20 - Open Doors Days for current families

22 - Open House for prospective families

25 - All Day Open Choice

30 - Progress Reports Released

