



HALL HAPPENINGS

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Heidi Lasher, Principal

Mark your calendar for these IMPORTANT DATES

January 28	Movie Night, 6:00pm
January 29	NO SCHOOL, Teacher Inservice
February 3	PTC Meeting, 6:30
February 15	No School, Presidents' Day

A word from the principal

January is always a busy month. We are back in school, expectation have been reviewed and classroom teachers are busy teaching the standards.

Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS):

At the end of December, all students were assessed for a mid-year check of their reading skills. The results of these assessments, along with other classroom assessments are used to adjust reading instruction. All students will continue to have 90 minutes of reading instruction in the classroom. In addition, all students that need additional reading support participate in a 45- minute reading intervention group.

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School Closure Information

In case of possible inclement weather, please listen to a local radio stations, or watch local TV channels for information. Listen and look for Gresham Barlow School District information. If Gresham Barlow is not mentioned under Multnomah County schools, school will be open and on the regular schedule. If we have a 2-hour late start, buses will run 2 hours later than normal, school will begin at 10:35am. Please note: If there is a late start on any Wednesday, the day will also begin at 10:35am and dismiss at 3:05pm. You may view School Closure information on the district website at www.gresham.k12.or.us.

Hall is Using the Attendance Autodialer System.

The safety of our students is our first priority. We are in the third month of implementing our automated attendance calling system through SchoolMessenger. This system automatically notifies parents by phone and/or email when their student has

been marked unexcused absent from school. Morning absence calls are made soon after the start of school. Parents, to make this process smoother, please remember the following:

- Call in your student's absence by 9:00am. This will ensure you do not receive unnecessary notifications. If you do receive a call, please notify the school immediately of the reason for your student's absence.
- Update your phone number and email address as needed. If you have any questions, please call our school office at 503-661-6330

From your Hall Attendance Team

We hope you and your family are well. This is the time of year when winter takes a toll on school attendance. Rain and cold weather can keep parents from getting their children to school. So can the colds, fevers and earaches that often come with the winter months. There's not much we can do about the weather, but there are two key steps every family can take to help avoid absences this year.

Develop back up plans for getting your children to school in winter weather. That could mean checking with other families who have a car that can manage in the snow or form a "walking buddy" to walk your children to school with other parents. If you're stuck, call the school. We can connect you with other parents or staff members who can help. Our office number is 503-661-6330.

Keeping your children healthy. Dress them warmly for the cold weather and make sure they have hats and gloves. Encourage them to wash their hands regularly. If your children do get sick, talk to a doctor or the school nurse about whether they should come to school and when it is okay for them to return. Children with fevers of 101 or higher should stay at home until the fever is gone.

Above all, let us know how we can help. We want your children and all our students to succeed. And that means attending school every day possible.



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Gresham-Barlow School District recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups. It is the policy of this district and the board of education that there will be no discrimination or harassment of individuals or groups in any educational programs, activities or employment. Gresham-Barlow provides equal access to individuals with disabilities.