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The Sunnyland SCOOP

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March 2018

A Note From the Principal

Happy March!

With the arrival of March, we know that spring cannot be far behind! Sometimes in the dark of winter it can be a challenge to remember that we will once again have more light and warmer temperatures. I, for one, am glad that time is approaching!

I'm incredibly grateful for the support of our community for Bellingham Public Schools as evidenced by the passing of our bond measure in February. Sunnyland will be one of three elementary schools rebuilt in the next few years. Our school has served us well for more than sixty years. It is exciting to begin to think about what our future building might be! The order of schools to be built has not yet been determined. The principals of Alderwood and Parkview and myself are involved in a process with the executive team in looking at several different criteria to see what makes the most sense. Whether we are first or last, our larger community will have three new schools soon which will benefit many students.

I know safety of our students and staff is on all our minds right now. The bond measure also includes increased safety and security measures for all schools. These improvements include lockdown shades for classrooms, radio communication, PA/intercom service for all school areas, access control for more secured entrances at schools without this feature, door locking systems, cameras for deterring exterior vandalism, and cameras in some common interior areas such as hallways.

At Sunnyland we already have access control at our front doors. I appreciate your patience and understanding as we began to use this feature in the fall. We also have been asking adults coming during the school day to check in and put on a badge. This serves two purposes. The first is if there was ever an emergency such as an earthquake we have an accurate record of who was in the building. The second purpose is to allow all of us to easily identify someone who has not checked in at the office. All adults have been trained to talk to anyone they see walking around school during school hours who is not wearing a badge. Thank you for your cooperation with these procedures. Find out more about our district's emergency and safety measures here: [Bellingham Public Schools Emergency and Safety Information](#).

Despite the tragic events that have happened, our schools are still among the safest places for our students to be. Our efforts as a community to be connected to each other remains a key strategy in keeping all of us safe. Thank you for your awareness and efforts!

Principal Lynn

Upcoming Dates

- March 8th—
PTA Movie
Night & Meet-
ing 5-7:30 pm
- March 9th—
NO SCHOOL
- March 20th—
Class Picture
Day
- March 22nd—
Coffee & Con-
versation 8:10-
8:45 am
- March 28th -
March 30th—
5th grades to
Mt School
- April 2nd thru
6th—Spring
Break NO
SCHOOL

SHUKSAN COMMUNITY FAMILY NIGHT

Shuksan Middle School is revamping the Community Family Night and is proud to bring you a carnival-like event with the hopes of bringing families together. This FREE event is being held on **Thursday, March 8th from 5:00 – 8:45.**

This will be a night full of fun and learning; with dinner on us! Come play dodgeball against the Bellingham Police Department and the Bellingham Fire Department. Snap a family photo at our Photo Booth and Selfie Station, props and all! Visit the Natural High Carnival where you can try the Drunk Goggles, see the Pig Lungs, and test your luck at the Wheel of Knowledge. Learn about resilience, device safety, healthy relationships. Or maybe you want to replenish your spirit and refresh yourself at the Self-Care Station...*ahh!*

Bring the family, invite your neighbor, have grandma tag along! Join us and let's make this a night to remember!

Hope to see you all soon at Shuksan Middle School!



Head Start Preschool

accepts applications all year long.

Families of 3 and 4 year olds can apply at

<https://www.oppco.org/hs-eceap-ehs-initial-app/>.

Any questions? Email the site director, Krissy Corbin at krissy_corbin@oppco.org

Kindergarten Registration for Fall 2018 is Now Open

Registration for kindergarten begins today March 1. Please register as soon as possible.

[Click here for information.](#)

We offer a full-time kindergarten program at no cost to district families. Students attend kindergarten on the regular elementary school schedule from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Children must be 5 years old before Sept. 1 to attend kindergarten.

Our school's kindergarten open house is scheduled for May 24th from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

To find out more about registration and required immunizations, please visit bellingshamschools.org/kindergarten.



March Harvest of the Month is Grains

The March Harvest of the Month will be grains and will be served on **Wednesday, March 28** in school cafeterias.

School lunch that day will include a pasta salad.

Cooking & Gardening with Common Threads



Hello and happy March! This month, we are completing our Garden Stir Fry cooking lesson and moving back into gardening season! If you're interested in getting involved with garden lessons please contact me: blair@commonthreadsfarm.org

If your student enjoys gardening and cooking, check out Common Threads' Spring and Summer break camps. Need-based scholarships are available! Visit <https://commonthreadsfarm.org> for more info!



Don't forget to check it!