



WHITMAN ELEMENTARY

School Year 2019-20

Monthly Newsletter

February 2020

PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Hello Whitman Families and Community-

We hope that you are having a wonderful winter and have been enjoying the recent sun as we have been! Getting outside in the sun during the day is so great for movement and activity. Please help us to hear your voice by filling out the Portland Public Successful Schools Survey! The survey is open until the end of February.

<https://www.pps.net/sss2020>

Thank you to all the families that came to our Whitman Math Night at the beginning of February. We had a fun time eating pizza and playing math games. Every family got a math kit to take home to continue the learning and fun! We hope to see you at Multicultural Night on March 5th from 5:30-6:30pm.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Murdock and Celina Garrido

2/28/20	Mismatched Day Recognition Assembly
3/4/20	Parent Circle 8:45 Last day of SUN
3/5/20	Multi-Cultural Night NO SUN After School
3/6/20	Whitman Reads Day
3/9/20	Spring SUN Reg forms go home
3/10/20	PTA Open Board mtg 6:30pm
3/20/20	Sill Hair/Hat Day Recognition Assembly 2:15pm
3/23/20-3/27/20	Spring Break

Attendance: “DoNut” Miss School

At Whitman Elementary, student attendance is our priority. We are focusing encouraging student attendance by challenging students to be at school on time every day. Grade level attendance will be evaluated each week and posted in the halls. The grade level with the highest attendance rate at the end of each month will earn Donuts on the First Friday of the following month. You can participate in your students attendance success by helping them get to school each day that school is in session

Green School:

As part of our silverware project to eliminate plastic utensils in the cafeteria during lunch, we require a constant supply of silverware. Donations for spoons and forks are always welcome, bring your donations to the main office and/or send your student a set of silverware to use during lunch. Thank you for helping Whitman be greener everyday.

Earth Day Celebration:

Save the date for our second Annual Earth Day Celebration **April 11th 9am - 12pm**. We will be planting native trees in Whitman property, beautifying our school garden, and have fun activities for all! Refreshments will be provided. Please join us and remember to dress for the weather.

Whitman SUN News:

Multicultural Movie Night

Thursday March 5th

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SHORT FILM FESTIVAL EXPLORING CULTURES ALL AROUND THE WORLD! WE WILL BE SERVING DINNER AS WELL AS PROVIDING MULTICULTURAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY. RAFFLE, GAMES, FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT, AND MORE!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT EBONI @ EBROWN@IMPACTNW.ORG 503-290-8058

Successful School Survey:

What is the first thing that comes to your mind when you hear the phrase “successful schools?” We believe that successful schools are safe, healthy and welcoming learning spaces that are inclusive for all students. But we want to hear your thoughts.

Our commitment is to continue listening about the experiences, needs, and perceptions of our students, families and personnel to be better equipped to support our school communities.

Please be honest and thoughtful, we value your feedback!

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