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Friday Update

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Dear Families,

Wow! What happened to that week? I have to think back quite some time to remember a storm that created such crazy conditions. I do hope that you were able to "enjoy" things a bit and that you found time to read some good books, watch some movies, and have some nice meals with family and friends.

Here is the latest, though not too much to report:

Make Up/Additional Days: At this time, I have not heard anything specific regarding if and when these days will be made up. Obviously, there are very few options left. I will do my best to keep you posted.

Conferences: The goal will be for teachers to reach out to families to reschedule any conferences that were missed over the last week. The hope is that ALL conferences will be finished prior to the end of the first semester.

Facebook Ads/Advertising Campaign: Several people have asked me about recent ads that have popped up on facebook and perhaps other social media platforms. Alameda, along with Hosford Middle School and Lincoln High School are participating in a pilot program working with an outside consultant. The goal of this is to try and increase enrollment at neighborhood schools throughout Portland Public Schools. We are not suggesting people transfer into Alameda, but simply consider Alameda if they live within our capture area. To be honest, this was not something I volunteered for and I do recognize that there are, as with most everything, a wide range of opinions regarding this type of project. I hope this information helps answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to [email me](#) if you want to talk more about this topic.

Draft Calendar for Next Year: For those of you who are interested in a peek at the draft calendar for the 2024-2025 School Year, you can [CLICK HERE to take a look](#). The calendar was presented to the school board but it has yet to be approved. One significant change will be monthly early releases for all K-5 schools to allow for professional development. No details on exactly what time the day will end. More to come for sure.

Anxiety Presentation: We are working with our speaker to identify a new date for the presentation. More details to come.

Teacher Work Day: There is no school on Monday, January 29th. This is a teacher work day and will allow time to complete second quarter report cards.

Principal's Coffee: Please join the next coffee scheduled for Friday, February 2nd, starting at approximately 8:50 AM.

Song Birds Concert: Our very own Alameda Choir will be performing on Wednesday, February 7th at 7:00 PM. The choir, under the direction of Ralph Nelson, is free for all 4th and 5th graders who wish to join. This is made possible by dollars raised during our fall Move for the Arts event.

I hope everyone has a nice weekend and that we continue to thaw out! See you on Monday!

Regards,
[Matt Goldstein](#)

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