



THE TROJAN PRIDE

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A Newsletter from Your Public School

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Penguin Patch Brings Joy



Students in TK-5th grade bought gifts for family and/or friends during Penguin Patch. Students wrapped their gifts with the assistance of the FBLA Chapter and other high school students. Proceeds from the event allowed students who were not able to bring money the opportunity to purchase for their family members. Pictured above on left: Penguin Patch Advisor Melissa Holmes helps Finleigh P. purchase her gifts while senior Kian E. gets ready to help her wrap. Above right: April B. and Grady G. get ready to purchase and wrap their gifts with high school students helping other students choose their presents in the background.

WE CLUB GOES SHOPPING!

On Wednesday, December 13, WE club members went shopping for gifts at our Walmart in Chehalis. WE club was able to raise over \$3,000 to purchase gifts for children in our community including a generous donation from Walmart for \$300. Helping Santa are from left to right: Chaisee L., Bailey C., Mrs. Magruder, Brookelyn K., Danny H., Karli P., Eli M., Ruby M., Mrs. Lennox, Madi E., Blaine H., and Kaiden S.



JANUARY PE ELL SCHOOL MENU 2024				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
01/08/24	01/09/24	01/10/24	01/11/24	01/12/24
BREAKFAST				
Breakfast Burrito Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt & Granola Fruit & Juice Milk	Cheese Omelet & Toast Fruit & Juice Milk	Fruit Churro Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!
LUNCH				
Chicken Fajitas Lettuce & Tomato Refried Beans Pears, Jello & Milk	Pizza Salad Corn Pineapple & Milk	Waffles & Sausage Hashbrowns Strawberries Juice & Milk	Chicken Burger Lettuce & Tomato Tater Tots Fresh Fruit & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAYT!!!
BREAKFAST				
01/15/24	01/16/24	01/17/24	01/18/24	01/19/24
NO SCHOOL!!!	Cereal & Cheese Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	Pancake Sausage Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	Oatmeal Protein Bar Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!
LUNCH				
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY!!!	Chicken Noodle Soup Bologna Sandwich Veggie Sticks Applesauce & Milk	Chef Salad Garlic Bread Peaches Milk	Hot Dog Fries Celery Boats Fresh Fruit & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAY!!!
BREAKFAST				
01/22/24	01/23/24	01/24/24	01/25/24	01/26/24
Breakfast Burrito Fruit & Juice Milk	Yogurt & Granola Fruit & Juice Milk	Bagel & Cream Cheese Fruit & Juice Milk	Chocolate Donut Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!
LUNCH				
Chicken Drumsticks Potatoes & Green Beans Breadstick Mixed Fruit & Milk	Pizza Salad Corn Pineapple & Milk	Teriyaki Dippers Rice Stir Fry Veggies Peaches & Milk	Cheeseburger Lettuce & Tomato Fries Fresh Fruit & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAY!!!
BREAKFAST				
01/29/24	01/30/24	01/31/24	02/01/24	02/02/24
Pancake Sausage Stick Fruit & Juice Milk	Cereal & Muffin Fruit & Juice Milk	Breakfast Pizza Fruit & Juice Milk	Ham Egg Bar & Toast Fruit & Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL!!!
LUNCH				
Pulled Pork or RIBBQ On A Bun W/Chips Coleslaw Pears & Milk	Spaghetti Salad Green Beans Mixed Fruit & Milk	Corn Dog & Fries Veggie Sticks Baked Beans Applesauce & Milk	Soft Pretzel W/Cheese Salad Fresh Fruit Dessert & Milk	HAPPY FRIDAY!!!
DAILY PRICES:				
BREAKFAST GRADES TK-12	FREE	WE WILL BE UTILIZING THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION!!! ALL STUDENT MEALS WILL BE FREE FOR THE 23-24 SCHOOL YEAR!	"THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER." MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE	
LUNCH GRADES TK-12	FREE			
ADULT BREAKFAST	\$3.00			
ADULT LUNCH	\$4.85			
MILK OR JUICE	\$0.45			
VISITING STUDENT BREAKFAST	\$1.50			
VISITING STUDENT LUNCH	\$3.00			



ELEMENTARY NEWS



"New Year, New You"

High 5 And Student Of The Month Assemblies

Date	Event
Jan 18	High 5
Feb 1	Student of the Month

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January

Elem Dress Up Days

Feb 15 - Royalty Day
 April 18 - Animal Day
 June 13 - Vacation Day

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



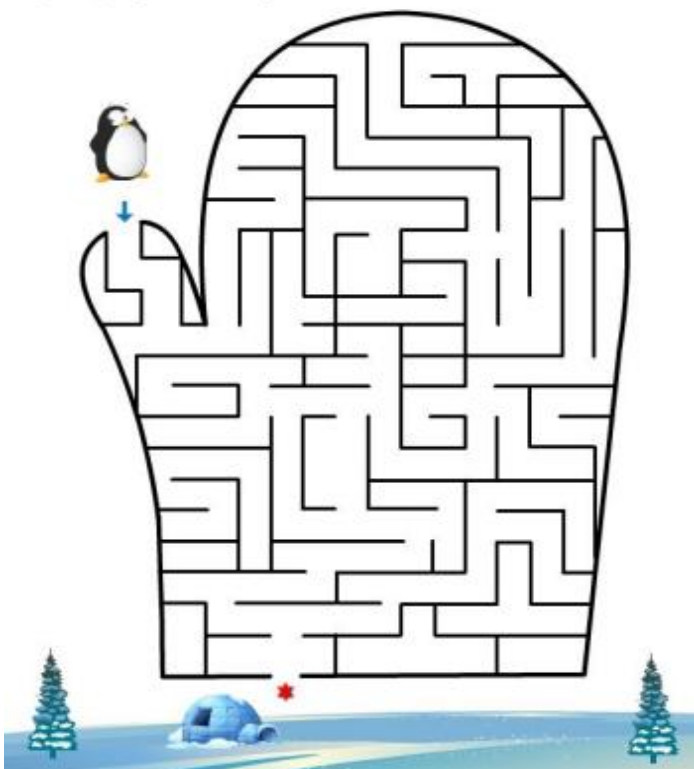
From left to right: Boston N, Carter B, Barron K, Aubrey K, Ryatt H

PARENTS/GUARDIANS PLEASE !!



If your child(ren) are **NOT FEELING WELL** or are obviously sick, **PLEASE** keep them home. We have had numerous children come into the office who have been sent to school sick. Please assess your child each morning and call the office if they will not be attending. Thank you for your cooperation.

Help the penguin find the igloo.



WINTER WORD SEARCH



BOOTS
 COAT
 COCOA
 COLD
 FROZEN
 HAT
 ICE
 SCARF
 SLED
 SNOW



Come and Show Your Support for the Boys and Girls Basketball and Wrestling Teams!!

See the School calendar for dates and times.



Booster Boards

\$20 - Renew

\$30 - Brand new

Please make all checks to Pe Ell Booster Club

Contact or find Suzanne Nelson or Vandl Greenwood to pay your fees or order a board

Wrestling

The wrestling team has had two matches so far. We have been growing since last year with only having four players last season and having eleven this year. They will be having some big matches during Winter break.



Middle School Girls Basketball

The Middle School girls' basketball had a good season with lots of enthusiasm and positivity wrapping up with a record of 3-6.



Attention!!!

Children under 6th grade **MUST** be accompanied by a parent and are not to play in the gym lobby during sporting events.

HS / MS NEWS

“Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way when you criticize them, you are a mile away from them and you have their shoes.” – Jack Handey

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS SHOW OFF THEIR HOLIDAY SPIRIT!

PE ELL ASB BUSY

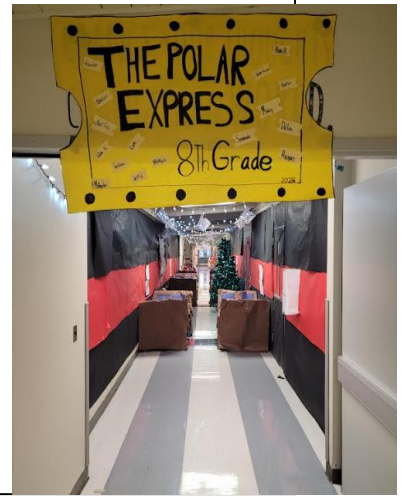
The PE ELL ASB has been very busy in hosting many fun things such as Winter Olympics. Also the ASB got in the holiday spirit with Deck the Halls, dress up days and a holiday assembly on the last day before Winter break. Winners of Deck the Hall were the Freshman with their Aloha Christmas theme. Good job Freshman!



Middle School Deck the Halls

On the first week of December, the Pe Ell Middle School decorated sections of the hallway to fit a chosen Christmas Theme. On the right is the start of the hallway and the winners are:

First place: 8th grade
Second place: 6th grade
Third place: 7th grade



Senior Corner

SCHOLARSHIPS: Starting this month, the seniors will be receiving information via email about our local scholarships. We will go over the best way to fill out the scholarships, writing their scholarship letters, and how to put them together. All local scholarships are listed on our website. Filling out scholarships is a long, and sometimes complicated process. Parents, please make sure you are communicating with your child and guiding them through this process. If you have any questions regarding scholarships, please email Mrs. Robinson.

SENIOR PROJECTS: We will kick into gear starting in January on senior projects. We will be working on our research/poster development, and will start the process of writing our paper. Presentations will be in May, but there are many deadlines students will need to meet along the way.

FAFSA (Financial Aid) - We will be working with students filling out the FAFSA application. **REMEMBER:** ALL STUDENTS THAT PLAN OR EVEN THINK THEY WILL BE ATTENDING COLLEGE NEED TO APPLY FOR FAFSA.

JOB SHADOWS: Parents, please be talking with your child about job shadows. It is impossible to pass the senior project without their 3 required (12 hours) job shadows. Remember the teachers and staff will assist seniors in this process if they need help. Their job shadow information is the base of their paper and presentation. The rough draft of the paper is due at the beginning of April, and all job shadows should be completed by then in order to have a complete paper.

If parents have any questions about the information listed above, please do not hesitate to call Mrs. Robinson at the school.

HIGH SCHOOL & CLUB NEWS



Knowledge Bowl

On November 20 and December 7, Pe Ell's Knowledge Bowl Team competed in Toledo.

Pe Ell A Team: 1st Place (Second Bracket)

Pe Ell B Team: 4th place (Third Bracket)

In the second tournament:

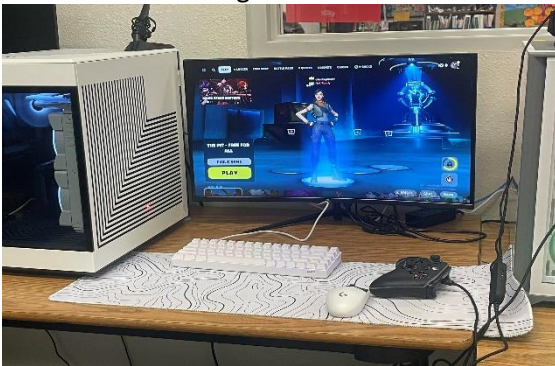
Pe Ell placed 4th place (Champion bBacket)

Team Members: Silas, Logan, Liam, Blaine, Calan, Carter, Cowyn, Wyatt, and Odin.



Trojans Esports

Here's an update on the Trojans Esports Club. The Esports Club meets Friday from 10am to 2pm and every day after school unless said otherwise. More information about tournaments and competitions will be provided at meetings. The winter season has started with Valorant and Super Smash Bros as the games.



YEARBOOK

Buy your yearbook right now for the lowest price of \$30!! They will go up in price at the end of the semester. Buy your yearbook **NOW!!**



WAFBLA

The Pe Ell FBLA Chapter members are currently working on selecting and starting their events. FBLA is also doing concessions for all Basketball games. For community service, the FBLA team helped with the Penguin Patch. The Pe Ell FBLA chapter meets on Thursdays during lunch.



Club

The WE Club will be doing 2 major fundraisers to raise money to purchase Christmas gifts for kids in our community. The 1st fundraiser we will start in November is a dance-a-thon. For their donations, each WE Club Member will have to dance from 12:30-3:30 PM the last day of school before Christmas Break. Each member of WE Club will need to raise \$50 in pledges for our gift giving. We will also start the "YOU'VE BEEN FLOCKED" fundraiser after Thanksgiving. If you are lucky enough to get "Flocked", please donate to the club for Christmas Gifts, and then nominate another person in our community to participate.

REMEMBER: ALL PROCEEDS FROM OUR FUNDRAISERS WILL GO TOWARDS BUYING CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR KIDS IN OUR COMMUNITY. This club is a great way for our students to learn the value of "Paying it Forward", and the experience of giving.

So all donations are welcomed. Thanks, Mrs. Robinson & Mrs. Lennox - WE Club Advisors



Modernization Plans

Pe Ell School is planning to utilize multiple funding sources to achieve a comprehensive major modernization of the school facilities. Anticipated scope is to include, but not be limited to, upgrades to classroom learning environments and technology, safety and security, building envelope, building infrastructure, heating and cooling, lighting, interior finishes, restrooms, kitchen, fixtures, and equipment. Site upgrades outside of the buildings are also being considered.

Small District Schools Modernization Grants

The school district has been awarded a Rural Modernization Grant I – Funded through construction as well as a second Rural Modernization Grant, currently funded through planning, with construction funding anticipated by July 2025. Both Grants have been awarded by OSPI.

School Construction Assistance Program (SCAP) funds

The school district is also now eligible to receive School Construction Assistance Program (SCAP) funds that are accessible via use of the Rural Modernization Grant funds as the required local share.

\$1.9M Bond Measure

The Pe Ell School Board of Directors set aside time in their August, September, October, and November regular meetings for discussion and public input about running a bond measure that will become active when the current bond expires. The District School Board approved a ballot measure on November 30 for a \$1.9M bond measure in support of the modernization for items not covered by either the Rural Modernization Grants or SCAP funds. The bond will also allow timber dollars to continue flow into debt service for future facility improvements and to lower taxes.

Bond items include:

- Track replacement and football field improvements and irrigation.
- Temporary classrooms for displaced classes during construction activities (portables).
- Other site upgrades including school and youth ball fields.
- Overall project planning and unforeseen building costs.

Timelines

The Bond is planned to run on the February 2024 Ballot.

Design for the major modernization is planned to begin the Winter of 2024, with Bid and Construction anticipated to begin in Summer 2025.

For more information, visit our Facility Improvement web page.

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District Administration

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Bobby McCalden, Business Manager
Brandon Pontius, TK-8 Principal
Keith Shepherd, HS Dean of Students/AD
Julie Castro, Secretary
Lisa Miller, District Secretary

JANUARY CALENDAR

Jan 2	SCHOOL RESUMES	
Jan 3	HS GBB/BBB @ Mossyrock	4:00
Jan 4	HS GBB vs Naselle	5:45
Jan 5	HS BBB @ Naselle	5:45
Jan 6	HS Wrestling @ North Beach	10:00 am
Jan 7	Booster Club Meeting – Library	6:00
Jan 8	HS GBB/BBB @ WSD	5:45
	MS BBB @ Ocosta	5:45
Jan 9	HS GBB/BBB vs CAA	4:30
Jan 10	James Donaldson Assembly—MS/HS	10:30
	Sports Pictures	2:00
	HS Wrestling @ Ilwaco	5:00
	MS BBB vs N Beach	5:45
Jan 11	Knowledge Bowl – Toledo	
Jan 12	MS BBB @ Raymond	5:45
Jan 13	HS GBB/BBB vs Ocosta	1:00
Jan 15	Martin Luther King Day – NO SCHOOL	
Jan 16	HS GBB/BBB vs Valley	4:30
Jan 17	HS Wrestling @ Concrete	5:00
	MS BBB vs Naselle	5:45
Jan 18	MS BBB @ Valley	5:45
Jan 19	Weather Make-up Day if Needed	
	HS GBB/BBB vs TRC	5:45
Jan 20	HS Wrestling @ Raymond	10:00
Jan 23	HS BBB vs Firm Foundation	5:45
Jan 24	HS Wrestling @ Onalaska	5:00
Jan 25	MS BBB vs S. Bend	5:45
Jan 26	HS GBB/BBB vs Mossyrock	4:00
Jan 27	HS Wrestling @ Ilwaco	10:00 am
Jan 29	HS GBB @ Naselle	5:45
	MS BBB @ Ilwaco	5:45
Jan 30	HS BBB vs Naselle (Senior night)	5:45
Jan 31	Safety City – Kindergarten	
	MS BBB vs Ocosta	5:45
Feb 1	HS GBB/BBB @ CAA	4:00
Feb 3	HS Wrestling	TBD

* Events are subject to change – please check Website for updates

STUFF TO KNOW

SNOW BUS ROUTES

If snow routes are called, bus routes will be modified to the following:

Mrs. Arrington

No McCormick Cr. Rd., Jones Rd., Railroad St., Wells Rd. or 1st St. and S. 1st St. (Can meet the bus at the corner of 1st St./Railroad or First St./Jones Rd.)

Mrs. Phelps

No Katula (Can meet bus at Highway 6/Mauerman wide spot by underpass) No Kobe Rd. (Can meet bus at Dryad Firehall)

Mrs. Risley

No Chandler Rd, No Toepelt Rd. (Can meet the bus at Elk Creek/Chandler or Toepelt Rd./Elk Creek or Dryad Firehall) No Pe Ell McDonald Rd. past Mauerman.

Mrs. Engel

No Beam Rd. (Can meet bus at Highway 6/Mauerman wide spot by underpass)

**Bus changes will be posted to Notify Me through the school website.
We encourage parents to sign up for notifications!**

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SAVE THOSE PULL TABS!

Grades K-5 will be collecting pull tabs. The class that brings in the most pull tabs will receive a reward. This money goes to support the Ronald McDonald House. Thanks for supporting this cause. We have had people from our community who have been able to utilize the Ronald McDonald House. Pull tabs will be due in March, date TBD.

