

Pinewood Panther School News



Pinewood Elementary
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"Better Together"

January 2022

From the Principal:

Hello Pinewood Families,

Students and staff at Pinewood Elementary had an incredibly busy and productive month in December. Our staff included lots of learning and weaved in engaging elements throughout each lesson. I have had the opportunity to be in classrooms and I can't say enough about how great it is to hear our students and see them be advocates of their own learning.

In January, our students will have the opportunity to take the iReady math diagnostic again. Grades K-2 will also take the Early Learning STAR Assessment. These tests are on the computer and adapt as students answer questions. So please encourage your student(s) to go slow and double check their work so their instructional pathways are accurate, and our staff will do the same.

In addition, our students will continue to hear and learn about our three school-wide expectations: Be respectful, Be responsible, Be safe. All Pinewood Panthers will also be resetting expectations in all areas of the school after our long winter break.

Lastly, report cards will be finalized during the last week of January and handed out in classrooms during the first week of February. Report cards will come home with your kiddos. Students have been working really hard and growing their brains each and every day.

I look forward to our new year in 2022 together. I hope you and your family had a wonderful break, full of the things you enjoy doing the most together. If you ever have questions, concerns, or joys to share please reach out to me. My door is always open.

Warmly,
Principal Mica Harasek



Upcoming Dates

Thursday, January 13th
PTSA Meeting
Zoom.US Meeting
ID:2368880934
Passcode: Pinewood

Monday, January 17th
Martin Luther King Jr Day
No School

January 26th & 27th
Early Release 12:30 pm

Friday, January 28th
No School-Teacher
Professional Learning Day

WIDA Testing Window
January 31st-March 25th

Friday, February 18th
No School

February 21st
President's Day/No School

Early Release Fridays
2:05 pm



Assistant Principal Corner
Pinewood Elementary
January 2022

Dear Pinewood Families,

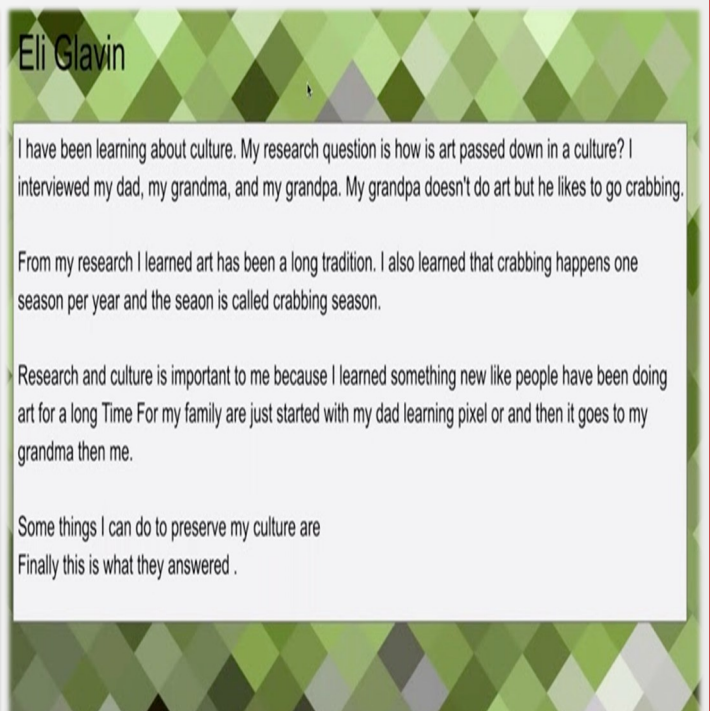
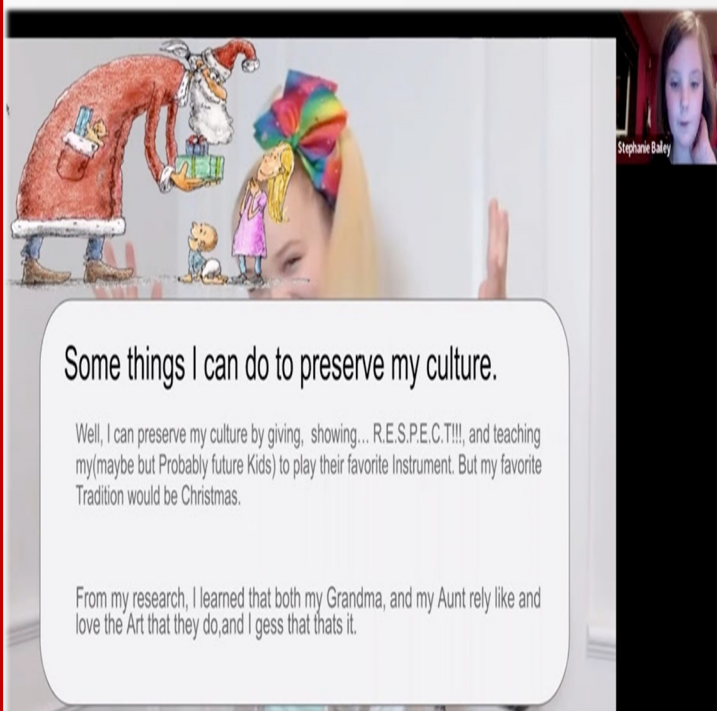
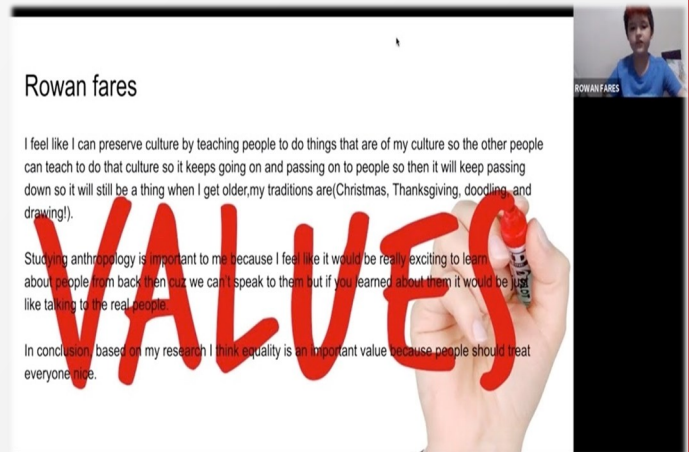
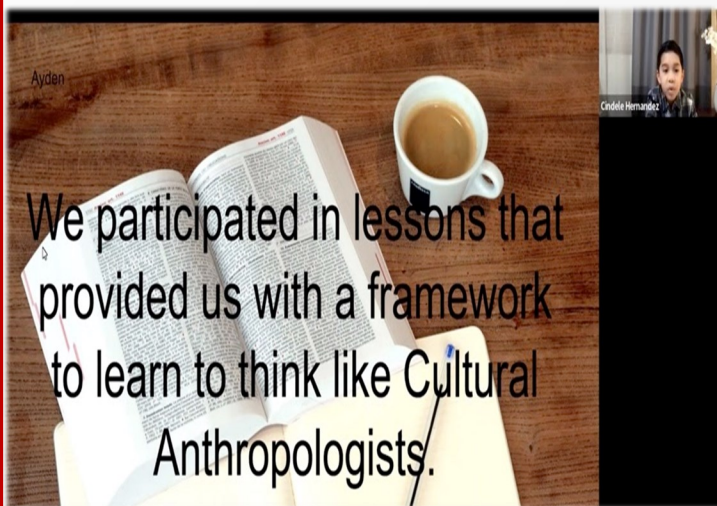
With a quick look back to 2021, we want to share with you some of the important work Mrs. Andrews' second grade dug into this past year! As Mrs. Andrews explained, her students first learned many things about local Native American cultures. They learned about music, drumming, and how time and changes in our environment can change culture. Students then went on to extend their research.

As Mrs. Andrews said, they began to think more like cultural anthropologists as they used what they learned about Native American cultures to extend their work into a study of their own cultures!

I hope you enjoy these images of our Pinewood students putting their cultural anthropology brains to work and enjoy reading some of the results of their research.

Wishing you a happy new year!

Assistant Principal
Marian Gonzales





Counselor Corner January 2022

Martha Porteous, School Counselor

martha_porteous@msd25.org or call 360-965-1366

From December to February I will be teaching lessons in all 2nd and 4th grade classrooms. These lessons will focus on social inclusion/ problem solving and child safety. If you have a child in 2nd or 4th grade please check their Monday envelope for a more detailed letter about these upcoming lessons.

If you have an application for Operation School Bell, please return it to Pinewood soon! I will bring our final round of applications to Operation School Bell early in the new year.

[Click here for Pinewood's counseling resources](#)

Marysville school district offers parenting support for families on the topics of engagement and mental health called The Parent Bootcamp Series. Check out the [flier for these free supports here](#).

In December a flier went home with all students advertising a free caregiver course offered through our district's community wellness/prevention specialists. Unfortunately the scannable registration link did not work. If you were interested in the course, you can use this link to register <https://forms.gle/EDwSRrJKbuVMLAfH7>

If you have any questions contact either

- community prevention/wellness coordinator, Kate Kilroy, at kate_kilroy@msvl.k12.wa.us 360-965-0043
- school counselor, Marty Porteous, at martha_porteous@msd25.org 360-965-1366



Let's talk about **ATTENDANCE!**

If your child is absent, please do one of the following:

- * **Email your teacher**
- * **Email the office**
- * **Call the attendance line @ 360-965-1301**
- * **Call the main office @360-965-1300**

Pinewood Elementary Student Leave

All family leave situations **must** be pre-approved by the principal. This would include vacations, out-of-town, funerals, family business, etc. Please send your requests in at least 1 week in advance to allow time for approval. Forms are available in the Main Office.

If your child is late, please have them go straight to the office to check in .



Pinewood Attendance

H E R O

HERE EVERYDAY READY ON TIME

Family Access in Skyward (<http://family.marysville.wa-k12.net>)

Family Access is a great way for parents and guardians to access your child's grades, view attendance, discipline, meal account activity, and update your personal information such as phone numbers or emergency contacts. In some cases, the district will post forms in Family Access that require viewing and/or a signature. Family Access is part of our student data system. Each account is private and viewable only to those who have approved credentials and a login and password. For the protection of our students, this cannot be done over the phone

- **Setting up a Family Access Account:** In order to set up an account for Family Access, you will need to have an email in your child(ren)s records in the data system. This is typically added when you enrolled your child(ren) in school but can become outdated over time. Follow these steps to get connected:
- If you have not provided an email, please contact your child(ren)s school office and provide them with parent/guardian email addresses.
- If you have an email but do not have your login information or you need to create an account, go to <https://www.ms25.org/o/district/page/skyward-family-access--38> and choose Family/Student login under the resource column.
- Click on the "forgot username or password" link and follow the steps.
- You can also connect to the Family Access App once you have an established account. Search "Family Access" on your smart phone App store.

HIV/AIDS and Growth and Development units.

Beginning in 5th grade, students receive yearly instruction in HIV/AIDS, its transmission and its prevention. In addition, Marysville School District's health curriculum includes a unit on Growth and Development. The units are designed to help students understand their changing bodies. Pinewood 5th graders will study this unit February 22nd-24th. More info coming soon.

Any parent can opt out by completing the attached form.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1819kSAckD4aBOa8OQ0Vf5kXgB0n1xEBQ/edit?usp=sharing_eil_m&rtpof=true&sd=true&ts=617811f3

Zones of Regulation

This is a video explaining Zones of Regulation as well as two coping tools students can use (breathing and affirmation) Zones of Regulation is something we want to start aligning K-12.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LRDvV5E2yke87UezXrsZ5b-6C9b3H3lc/view?usp=sharing>
<https://www.ms25.org/page/social-emotional-mental-health-supports>

Lost And Found

Lost and found items can be found in the gym. All lost & found items will be packed up the end of each month.

All goods go to the Good Will on the last day of the month.



Check the
Lost & Found
All items donated
at the end of the month

Dogs at School?

Please do not bring your dog to school when picking up your students.

Only certified service animals are permitted on District properties.



PAY ONLINE

Marysville School District's Point of Sale system has made it easy for families to pay for lunches, field trips, fines etc. without a transaction fee. This system is called Touch-Base and utilizes the same login as assigned to you for Skyward Family Access.

The login page may be found at: <http://payments.ms25.org/>

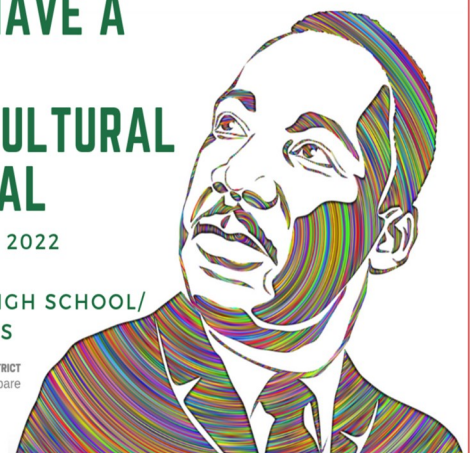
If you need help with your login, please feel free to contact our office.



SAVE THE DATE

MSD I HAVE A DREAM MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

JANUARY 15, 2022
11 AM - 2 PM
@ LEGACY HIGH SCHOOL/
MTC CAMPUS



Health Room News and Information

HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

Our schools are opened this fall with 100% in-person teaching and learning and we are excited to welcome each of our students back to school! In order to make sure that we can provide in-person instruction, we must follow the requirements set out by Governor Inslee and the Washington State Health Department. These requirements include a variety of protections related to masking, social distancing, isolation, and quarantine rules. Most notably, students and staff will be required to wear masks while indoors to start the year. Please be assured we will continue to monitor the guidance from OSPI and the [WA State Department of Health](#) and will notify families and staff of any changes.

[COVID-19 Health and Safety Handbook](#)

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

- Fever/Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath/Difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle/Body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste/smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion/Runny nose
- Nausea/vomiting & diarrhea



REMINDER for staff and families: If you or your child is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or generally not feeling well, stay home, report the absence, and complete the COVID Health and Symptom Reporting form at <https://bit.ly/MSDHealthReportingForm2021>

The health room is in desperate need of children's pants and sweatshirts. If you have any used clothing you would like to donate, please drop them off at the office. If your child has borrowed clothing, please have them return them.

Thank you kindly,
Mrs. Nemra



If you need a **COVID test**, they are available at the MSD Office at 4220 80th St NE.

Testing is no longer available at Pinewood.

Pinewood's Values:

- Kindness
- Learning
- Passion
- Respect
- Teamwork



Pinewood's Vision Statement:

Pinewood embraces having a growth mindset and taking risks to learn from our successes, challenges, and mistakes. We believe anything is possible and look for solutions with an adventurous spirit through strong teamwork.

Pinewood's Mission Statement:

The Pinewood Elementary staff guides and inspires each student to grow into knowledgeable, responsible, compassionate, and resilient individuals.

Quality Service Standards:

Pinewood has adopted and adheres to our District's [Quality Service Standards](#).

[Quality Service Standards](#).



Report It!

SafeSchools Alert reporting system lets students, staff & parents confidentially report safety concerns, including bullying, weapons & threats of violence.

Email: 1248@alert1.us

Text or Phone: 360 799-5414

Online: <http://1248.alert1.us>

For Emergencies call 911

Non-Discrimination Statement: Marysville School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to address questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Civil Rights Coordinator - Gregg Kuehn, Risk Management Supervisor, gregg_kuehn@msd25.org, 360-965-0110; Title IX Officer – Tracy Souza, Executive Director of Human Resources, tracy_souza@msd25.org, 360-965-0071; Section 504 Coordinator, Andrea Wyatt, Director of Categorical Programs, andrea_wyatt@msd25.org, 360-965-0053; ADA Coordinator – Brad Roden, Director of Secondary Special Education, brad_roden@msd25.org, 360-965-0175. Address: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA 98270. Website: www.msd25.org Marysville School District is a drug- and tobacco-free workplace. You can report discrimination and discriminatory harassment to any school staff member or to the district's Civil Rights Coordinator, listed above. You also have the right to file a complaint. Note: Policies that address this issue are policy 3210 "Non-Discrimination" & 5010 – "Non-Discrimination and Affirmative Action." These Policies are available online at www.msd25.org, at your school, or at the District Office: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA, 360-965-0000.