

February 15, 2019



Panther Cub Press



Our Panther Way! Be Safe, Be Responsible & Be Respectful & #SHARETHELOVE

Upcoming Events

No School— Presidents Day	2/18
Student of the Month Assembly	2/21
Pizza with the Principal	2/25
Spirit Week	2/25- 2/28
Mid-Winter Break	2/28- 3/1

Dear Families and Students,

We made it through the heart of the snowstorm. It's good to see students back and gung-ho for learning as we return to normal! White Pass Schools just got internet service back yesterday afternoon, and we are working out the kinks in the system. Our phones are still out as of this writing (10am Friday), but we are working on those too. So far the forecast for next week looks all right, but let's all keep watch, and watch the skies too.

My family had no power for about 24 hours, and we made it into a pioneer adventure with our girls. Thankfully we have a warm wood stove, headlamps, and candles. We enjoyed showing our kiddos how to cook on the wood stove, and reading stories together by lamplight, and playing outside. I hope that all off our school's community was able to turn our snow-related troubles into an adventure. I really like that we have a strong, survival-style, make the best of things mindset here in East Lewis County. And in Packwood, it was really heartening to see neighbors checking on neighbors, and helping with shoveling, downed trees, and all that the snow brought. Working together, we all got by.

Even with the snow still on the ground, this time of year is also when I start thinking of spring. We have a little shrub here called Indian plum or osoberry, which is the first thing to get its leaves back in the spring. It's got really bright, laser green leaves, and it's right around now that the first growth starts. So while it might be delayed a little bit due to our recent weather, I'll be watching carefully for those first green leaves.

Kind regards,

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Parents,

If you did not get a call from our Robo call system during the school closures, please make sure that you have your phone number up to date with the office. If you need to make changes you can contact Christy at (360) 497-7300 ext 2000, or Tamara at (360) 497-5816 ext 3002.

Thank you!



Elementary Spirit Week

The week of February 25th

show your school spirit by dressing up on the following days:

Monday- Wacky Hair Day

Tuesday- Mismatch/Tacky Outfit Day

Wednesday- Dr. Seuss Day

Mid Winter Break

February 28th-March 1st

No School

Love & Logic~~

“If parents want to give their children a gift, the best thing they can do is to teach their children to love challenges, be intrigued by mistakes, enjoy effort, and keep on learning. That way, their children don’t have to be slaves of praise. They will have a lifelong way to build and repair their own confidence.”

— Carol S. Dweck

Snow Make Up Days are to be determined.

Look for updates in our weekly newsletter or check on our website: <https://www.whitepass.k12.wa.us>

This will also be updated on the White Pass School District App.