

**Important Dates**

**Nov. 25-26**

Conference Prep/Conferences- No School for Students

**Nov. 27**

No School for Students

**Nov. 28-29**

Thanksgiving Holiday- No School for Students

**Dec. 23-Jan. 3**

Winter Break

**Jan. 6**

No School for Students-Planning

 Day for Teachers

**Jan. 7**

School Resumes

**This month at Sweetbriar your child is…**

Learning about: Life Sciences through the ELA curriculum

Practicing: Empathy with the Social Emotional Curriculum

**Fall Conferences**

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held the evening of Mon., Nov. 25 and the day/evening on Tues., Nov. 26. Invitations with specific date and time were sent home to families last week. Please call or email your child’s teacher if you do not have one. We look forward to seeing you!

**Lost and Found**

Please check your children’s closets for missing coats, sweaters, and jackets, maybe even a hat or lunch box too! We have lots of items in the Lost and Found area, located in the foyers of the back recess doors. We also have tables set up in the cafeteria from now through the conference days filled with lost items. Feel free to come by and take a look after checking into the office.

**Run for the Arts**

Run for the Arts was a successful day of exercise and donations! See the back of this newsletters for details. Thanks to our wonderful volunteers who took time out of their busy day to help- out, we couldn’t do it without you! T-shirts for students that raised $20.00 or more were sent home with students this week.

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**Attendance**

Please make sure to call the school when your student is absence from school. We need to hear from an adult and our phones can take messages 24 hours a day. Call 503-666-9441 and choose option #1 for the attendance line, thank you.

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***PALS Corner***

Thanks to all our families who supported our Wreath Fundraiser that was held earlier this month. We sold over 150 locally grown evergreen Oregon wreaths to Sweetbriar families and friends! Pick up will be after November 21st, details to follow.

Our next PALS meeting will not be until January 13th (we will not be meeting in December) @ 6:30 pm at the school. We will be finalizing the details for our family fun Bingo Night happening January 24th. Please join us!

**Winter Food Drive**

In keeping with our school wide theme of gratitude, students have been sharing things they’re grateful for. It is common for students to list food as something they are thankful for and yet we know that many families struggle to consistently provide three meals a day when school is not in session. Each year Sweetbriar students and PALS (our parent group) work together to provide local families with a food box to help families get through the holiday break. This year’s Food Drive will be from November 25 – December 11. If you are able, please send non-perishable items (canned food, boxed foods, rice, noodles, pancake mixes, etc.) with your child to school so that they can donate to the classroom food box and help support a family in need. There will also be donation boxes available at conference time, so families can donate then.

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 What’s the Buzz………..

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***Sweetbriar Vision****: Foster confident, compassionate, lifelong learners*

*that solve problems, think critically and contribute positively to our*

*school and the community.*