



SEAVIEWSHARKWATCH

Seaview is a community school that nurtures children encourages responsible citizenship and inspires lifelong learning in an environment of mutual respect.

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Dear Seaview Families-

We are nearly at the time for Spring Break. I hope we all will enjoy a bit of time to rest and recharge. Spring Break is the week of April 2nd-6th. Then, it is back to work to finish this year strong! We have much to do, and as always, your involvement is needed.

Thank you, to those families who attended conferences, our Music Concerts, and our recent Drama: Golly Gee Whiz, performed by our own drama club. I believe that it is vital that your students see you in the building. This cements their belief that their education is important. We will continue to work hard to provide opportunities for you to join us at events both during the day and after school. I sincerely thank you for taking the time to be involved and present in your child's education. This is a team effort, and you are an important member of the team!

As we work our way to the end of the school year, we once again will be involved in testing and assessing your student's academic growth. Students have been working diligently to obtain knowledge this year. In addition, they have been learning how to take new assessments. Much of the future in measuring student growth will take place on computers. Your students (3rd-6th) will be using Chromebooks to take the **Smarter Balanced Assessment**. Let me tell you, they have been so excited to be able to use technology to show what they know! You can help your student make the most of our Spring Testing Window by asking questions about their studies, setting an early bedtime, and encouraging plenty of exercise and fresh air. Even as we turn more to technology, it is paramount that children have time to explore and play outside, to exercise their bodies, and to learn to solve real world problems. Limiting video game and TV time is also a great help to a "testing frame of mind". We extend our thanks in advance for the help you can give us. A detailed schedule will be included at the end of the Sharkwatch for your reference.

Give your children these messages about the SBA:

The SBA measures what they have been learning in school.

You expect them to do their best, but they should NOT get stressed out about it!

They will do well if they read each question carefully and think about what it is asking before they answer. They should answer every question, even if they are not sure about it.

The testing is just another way of gathering information about their learning, so teachers can help them learn better

The only other state assessment that will be given in the spring of 2018 for elementary students is the MSP Science for students in Grade 5.

For more information about the Smarter Balanced tests and the Common Core standards, as well as to try out a practice SBA test yourself, please visit www.k12.wa.us/smarter or <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/>.

In March we practiced our **Shelter in Place Drill**. This is a precaution aimed to keep all students, staff and volunteers safe while remaining indoors. Once again, our student conduct was exemplary and we returned to our classrooms for a de-brief within 10 minutes. Our District Safety/Emergency Preparedness Specialist, Layne Erdman works directly with all schools to make sure that measures are in place and reviewed regularly.

Please feel free to email Layne Erdman at erdmanl@edmonds.wednet.edu with questions or suggestions about Safety/Emergency Preparedness.

In April, our **Leader In Me Habit will be Habit 7 Sharpen the Saw**. We will be instructing and using strategies focusing on how "Balance Feels Best". Some examples are: I take care of my body by eating right, exercising and getting sleep. I spend time with family and friends. I learn in lots of ways and lots of places, not just at school. I find meaningful ways to help others. We will be celebrating students at an all school assembly on April 16th!

Thank you for your active participation through the Interim Principal process. I now have the honor and privilege to continue as the Seaview Elementary Principal. I am sure you know this is an exciting time for all of us. I truly look forward to continuing this journey with you!

Please always feel free to contact me with your questions, concerns, ideas. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Warmly,
Heather Pickar, Principal

Sharpen the Saw Family Night

April 10th from 5:30pm - 6:50pm

Seaview Gym, Playground and Art Room

Come and learn about the Leader in Me Habit #7: Sharpen the Saw with your kids! This night will be a fun and active evening where we'll get ideas for taking care of our Mind, Body and Heart. Come prepared to MOVE (comfortable clothes and tennis shoes if possible).

Please RSVP to Mrs. Fortin at fortinc@edmonds.wednet.edu by April 9th. The event will include a light healthy snack. PTA meeting will follow just afterward at 7:00pm.

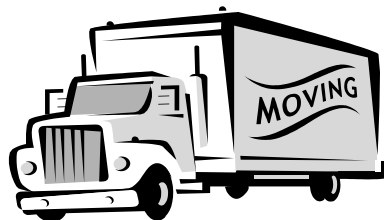
Attention 5th Grade Parents: Now is the time to plan ahead for the vaccinations that your child will need before he or she begins 6th grade next fall. One dose of the Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) vaccine is required before the first day of 6th grade for all 11 year olds. We encourage you to obtain the vaccination this school year and report it to the school office at Seaview Elementary. The information will be entered into the school database, which means you will then avoid getting a reminder letter over the summer months.

Rebekah Scharf, RN

Seaview Nurse

Seaview Volunteer Luncheon
Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 11:30 am - 12:15 pm
Seaview Elementary Library
SAVE THE DATE!!

SEAVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



*To help us develop next year's class lists, please return this form if your student(s) **WILL NOT** be returning to Seaview for the 2018-2019 school year. This does not include 6th grade students. Thank you.*

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- My student(s) **will not** be returning to Seaview next year.
 - Attending another school in the Edmonds School District
School name _____
 - Attending a school outside of the Edmonds School District
School name/location _____

Student(s) name

Current Grade

Parent Signature

**PLEASE RETURN FORM TO THE OFFICE ASAP
ONLY IF YOU ARE MOVING**

APRIL
2nd - 6th SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL

9	New Parent Tour – 8:00am	16	Equity Committee Mtg – 2:30pm
10	LIM Family Night- 5:30-7:00pm	19	Volunteer Luncheon – 11:30am-12:15pm
10	PTA Meeting-7:00 p.m.-library	20	PTA Skate Party – 5:00pm-7:00pm
16	7 Habits Assembly – 1:35pm	24	LIM Coffee Chat – 8:00am
		27	Early Release – 11:00am

• **Seaview Elementary** **Spring 2018 Online Testing Schedule**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Mar 26	27	28	29	30
April 2 Spring Break	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13 Online Test System down today
16	17	18	19	20
23	24 3-6 ELA practice	25	26 3-6 ELA training test	27 Early Release
April 30	May 1	2	3 Online Test System down today	4
7	8 3-6 Math Practice	9	10 3-6 math training test	11 Early Release
14 3-6 ELA Training test (review tools)	15 3-6 ELA (CAT) test	16 Ramadan begins	17 ELA (PT) test	18
21 3-6 Math Training test (review tools)	22 3-6 Math (CAT)	23 3-6 Math PT	24 OPEN HOUSE/ LEADERSHIP NIGHT	25 Early Release
28 Holiday	29 5th Grade Science WCAS	30 MAKE UPS	31 MAKE UPS	June 1
4 MAKEUPS ->	5	6	7	8