October 5

Hello Seaview Families!

**The month of October is very busy with several exciting things lined up for our students!**

We started our year out district wide with a high focus on Student Emotional Wellbeing. In the first week of school our staff spent 80% of the school day building relationships with our students. Staff quickly learned student names and led interactive games connecting students with each other, creating an inclusive classroom culture! Students learned how to use their Seesaw (K-2) and Canvas (3-6) platform tools to respond and submit their thinking/assignments. Our teachers are truly amazing, just like our students, in how quickly over just a few short weeks we are learning together with high success! Our attendance is better than ever! Students are ready and waiting to start each day in our new online classrooms. Our Specialists are leading PE, Music and Library lessons weekly. Our students are learning how to [Place a Hold on a Library Book](https://drive.google.com/drive/search?q=how%20to%20reserve%20library%20books%20on%20your%20chromebookl) using their Chromebook to pick up on Student Material Pickup days. If your child is struggling to be ready each day, please take a look at [Distance Learning: 8 Tips to Help Your Child Learn at Home](https://www.understood.org/en/school-learning/learning-at-home/homework-study-skills/online-learning-how-to-prepare-child) Please remember we are always here to help you.

**1:1 Assessments** Kindergarten WaKids State Assessments and Running Records Assessments are tests that require teachers to work with students individually. This is called a 1:1 Assessment. During a non COVID year teachers would provide the testing within the classroom. Due to our restrictions we are currently completing them online. We are asking all families to complete a [1:1 Zoom Permission](https://forms.gle/P3ZLaXfbMMYiucHK7) to allow 1:1 Assessments. If we do not have your permission we will work with you on how to assess your child.

**Need Help with Technology?** Tech support is available Monday through Friday 8 AM - 7 PM !

Visit <http://.ly/ESDFAQs> <http://bit.ly/ESDStudentTechGuide> <http://bit.ly/ESDLearningResources> for details

**Attendance Matters.** Beginning this week, there will be a change to the coding of your student’s absences. Beginning Monday, October 5th, absences from remote learning will be marked excused or unexcused and we have added engaged remote for students who may have technology issues but completed the daily independent work.

If your child is going to be absent or arrive late (for an early morning dental appointment, for example) , please email (Kellihere@edmonds.wednet.edu) or call (425-421-3517) our attendance office by 9 am with the child’s first and last name and the reason for the absence or late arrival.

**Early Release for Elementary Conferencing.** Conferences will be November 2-6 as early release days for elementary students in support of Parent/Teacher/Student conferences. Please look for additional information from the school and from your child’s teacher with specifics for how conferences will be conducted this year.

**Panorama SEL Survey for ESD Students**  Student Well-being is a priority to the Edmonds School District. We want to foster and promote healthy social-emotional skills for all our students so they can learn and thrive. In order to learn more about student experiences, we will be asking for your child’s feedback using the Panorama Social Emotional Learning Survey. Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) is a process through which individuals build awareness and skills in managing emotions, setting goals, establishing relationships, and making responsible decisions that support success in school and in life. Students in grades 3rd through 12th grade will be asked to complete the Panorama SEL online survey several times throughout the year. The survey will ask students to self-reflect on their own social and emotional skills. If you would like a copy of the questions, please contact us at 425-431-7383.

The data we get back will inform our educational practices and help us continue to identify opportunities for growth and development with our students. The survey should take approximately 20 minutes to complete. As with all screeners and assessments, student data will remain confidential and secure.

Please notify us if you would like your 3rd – 5th grade child to opt out of taking the survey by completing this [**Seaview Student Survey Opt-Out Form**](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/zDBPi9dQWaX-iFV89a5iNA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhTkqcP0QjaHR0cHM6Ly9mb3Jtcy5nbGUvQ2V0aG1xcEE2TTR5cGVSYzdXB3NjaG9vbG1CCgBHHBdtX4IU8I5SFHNlYW5hbmRuYW9taUBtYWMuY29tWAQAAAAB)

Here is a snapshot of the month with some very important dates.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Oct 2-4 Edmonds Foundation Virtual 5K

Oct 12 Indigenous Peoples Day

Oct 14 Early Release for students & Student Material Pickup

 (**please read the Friday Parent bulletin for specific grade levels,**

 **not all grades will have biweekly pickup.)**

Oct 20 SV Equity Team 6:30 Zoom meeting

Oct 28 Student Material Pickup & No school for students –

 Teacher Professional Learning Day

Please remember to regularly visit the Seaview Elementary & Edmonds School District websites for the most current information.

[Sve.edmonds.wednet.edu](https://sve.edmonds.wednet.edu/)  <https://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/>

Seaview Elementary prepares all students to become life-long learners through inquiry, collaboration, and discovery. Each student will feel a sense of belonging in our school community while learning social-emotional and academic skills to be successful in an ever-changing and diverse society.

All our best,

Principal Heather Pickar

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