Parent—Teacher Conferences Coming Up

Parent—Teacher Conferences are coming up soon. Teachers will be sending out invitations to families soon—be sure to respond to set your appointment time.

November 19th—PreK—12th grade DISMISS at NOON  Conferences 1:00-6:00
November 20th—Conferences 8:00 am—8:00 pm

October Math Problem Winner

Congratulations Winner
Wyatt Fleskes!

Family MOVIE NIGHT

Friday Nov. 9th 6:30 pm
Commons Gym

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THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND
• To volunteer you must first pass a background check, forms are available outside the main office
• All who enter the building must sign in at the main office and wear a badge during their stay
• Be Safe, Respectful, and Responsible while you are on campus

5 Characteristics of GRIT
• Courage
• Conscientiousness: Achievement Oriented vs Dependable
• Long-Term Goals and Endurance: Follow Through
• Resilience: Optimism, Confidence, and Creativity
• Excellence vs Perfection
In the field of human relations nothing is so important as safety, for safety applies with equal force to the individual, to the family, to the employer, to the country. Safety in its widest sense, concerns the happiness, contentment and freedom of everyone. There is no mystery in safety. The important thing is to think a situation through and then apply common sense.

- Bill Jeffers, 1945
Gaston High School has new T-shirts available for sale for $18. If you are interested in purchasing one (or more) contact Carolyn Lowery at loweryc@gastonk12.org or the Jr/Sr High office.

Gaston Elementary All-Stars

Gaston All-Stars is a partnership with the News-Times where they recognize three students every few weeks in the newspaper. Their photo and a sentence or two as to why that student shines is included in the article. For October, Gaston Elementary teachers selected these three students for their All-Star qualities. Congratulations!

Dylan Allen
Dylan is kind, hard working, and funny.
His peers love working with him, and he is a pleasure to teach.

Sofie Fox
Sofie is studying high school orchestra and keeping up with 5th grade math!

Deztanee Sandoval
Deztanee is an all-star for her commitment to her education.
She works hard in and out of class, and is always prepared and ready to learn.
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**Wednesday's are 2:30 Dismissal**

**Call Before 2:00pm with going home changes**
Fun Run Results
Mrs. McMaster’s Kindergarten class won the pizza party, raising $1,875
Mrs. Hiersche’s 6th graders came in second raising $1,849
Lilly Slater was the top seller raising $1,019.50
Walker Olson came in second raising $500
Total raised $11,165—Awesome Job!!

November’s Problem of the Month
Your uncle Steve gave you a pet turkey. It weighs 22 pounds and you think he only gave it to you so he could eat it on Thanksgiving.
Each day he gives it enough food to gain 5 pounds. You want to keep your pet turkey off the dinner plate so each night you make it exercise so much that it loses 8 pounds.
Does your turkey gain or lose weight each day?
How much weight does it gain or lose?
How many days will it be until your turkey weighs ten pounds?

Mrs. Ruiz’s 5th graders are witnessing science come to life as they learn about matter.
If you would like to have an event or information published in the newsletter, please send the information to Mystie Taber at taberm@gastonk12.org by the 20th of the month for the following newsletter.

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### ParentVue

Parents if you would like to be set up with ParentVue, email Mystie Taber at taberm@gastonk12.org.

ParentVue is a great way to check on your student’s grades, assignments, and attendance in between grading periods. Once you sign up, you have access until your student graduates high school.

### Save the Date!

**Dec. 6th**: is our 4th-12th Grade Instrumental Concert 7:00 pm Auditorium

**Dec. 13th**: will be the K-5th Grade Elementary Concert 6:30 pm Auditorium

### Enchanted Forest Book Fair

**During Parent Conferences in the new library**

#### Gaston Food Pantry Assessment of Need

A 2015 Gaston graduate and current senior at Willamette is trying to start a food pantry in Gaston. To assess the need, community members are being asked to complete a short online survey located on the GSD Home page.

### Family Geography Night

All families are welcome to join GSD for our first Family Geography Night.

**Wednesday, November 14 at 5:30-6:30 pm in the Commons Building.**

There will be activities, crafts, prizes, and lots of Geography learning! The cost is FREE for everyone.

### Do you want to play sports for Gaston?

If you are interested in playing sports, go to the Gaston School District website, under Elementary, then Parents you will find the link to Gaston Youth Sports.

Basketball, Softball, Baseball, etc. are all run by parents involved in the Gaston Youth Sports. Sign ups are online through their website.