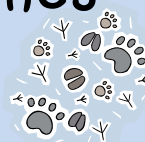


January Habit of Mind:  
Managing Impulsivity-Thinks before  
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Dear Families,

Happy New Year to all, as we return to Shadow Lake following the winter holidays, it is always fun to see the smiling faces of the boys and girls. They energize us with their enthusiasm for learning and life.

Parents frequently ask "How can I support my children at home with their academic learnings?" For our students at Shadow Lake I have a few concrete suggestions to foster your student's academic progress.

1. Participate in our PTA sponsored at-home reading program- PAWS. Students read at least 20 minutes a day for 20 minutes. After the child reads a 20 minute session, the child marks off a paw print. After the 20<sup>th</sup> day, please have the student and parent sign the log, and the student turns in the log to the Shadow Lake office. The student will receive an award for completing a month's reading requirements.
2. Math competency opens the door to a productive future. We believe that every student can succeed in learning math with both procedural and conceptual understanding. This is best achieved when parents and educators work together to build relevance, foster engagement, and develop confident learners who use math as a tool for lifelong learning. Follow this link: <https://sites.google.com/site/tsdparentschoolpartnership/home/elementary/math> and then scroll down the page or use the links to the right, to access resources and tips that will help you build on the work our teachers and students are doing in the classroom.
3. Please encourage your children to write in journals. Mrs. Hofferber attended a state training for writing and one of the primary suggestions at the state level for students to improve their writing is to add elaboration and detail to their works. Ask you student to write about a "small moment" in their day and to thoughtfully bring their writing to life by creating images through vivid word choices and extensions of their thoughts and ideas through elaboration.

Respectfully,

*Christina Everett*

## Mark Your Calendars!

1/13	Early Release: 1:10 Dismissal PMK Attends, No school for AMK
1/14	Missoula Children's Theater Performance: Tortoise vs. the Hare, 11:00 AM
1/16	No School: MLK Day
1/25	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert, 7 PM, TMS
1/27	No School, Semester Break Day
2/10	Early Release: 1:10 Dismissal AMK Attends, No school for PMK
2/13	PTA Meeting, 1 PM
2/20-2/24	No School-Mid Winter Break
3/1	District Choir Festival, 7 PM
3/12-3/16	Kindergarten and Preschool Registration Week
3/12	PTA General Meeting, 6:30 PM
3/15	Progress Reports Go Home
3/16	No School-Waiver Day
3/26-3/28	Camp Casey Session 1 (Lindstrom/Williams)
3/28-3/30	Camp Casey Session 2 (Mitchell/Heighton/White)
3/30	Early Release: 1:10 Dismissal PMK Attends, No school for AMK
4/2-4/6	No School-Spring Break

## Kindergarten and Preschool Registration Week:

The Shadow Lake office will be open for Kindergarten and Preschool Registration from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. the week of March 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>. Parents are asked to bring their child's **original birth certificate, record of immunizations, and emergency contact names and numbers.** If there are young families in your neighborhood with an upcoming kindergartener, please spread the word.

### ENERGY TIP:

Turn off lights when you are not in the room, unplug items like cell phone chargers when not in use!

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## Success Story: Shadow Lake Elementary School

Shadow Lake began participating in the King County Green Schools Program in May 2008. In December 2009, we achieved our Level One Green Schools Program Award which focused on Waste Reduction and Energy Conservation. We continued our hard work to attain the Level Two Distinction with an Energy Conservation focus in May 2011. Our goal this year will be to complete the trio of awards by completing Level Three with a focus on Water Conservation. As a school we all continue to REDUCE WASTE, RECYCLE, REUSE, and CONSERVE ENERGY!

So what does the Shadow Lake Green Team do for the school? Well, each day our team members appear at the doors of classrooms throughout the Shadow Lake campus to seize the small, blue recycling bins. If the bins are only partially full, the Green Team moves to the large blue recycling bins in each hallway and fills the smaller bins for maximum efficiency and benefit to our school. We sort out any garbage we find in the bins. Next, the members congregate at a determined meeting site to join Mrs. Chase and Mrs. White for the trek to monster outdoor recycling bin. Here, our precious collections find their home to await their weekly King County pick up. Once deposited, our members return the small blue bins to their home classrooms. If needed, our team members might gently remind classrooms about which items are recyclable and which belong in the garbage. Outside of a typical day, we have created games, posters, bin labels and shared classroom presentations to help members of our school community better understand the benefits of proper recycling. The Shadow Lake Green Team plays an important role in keeping Shadow Lake the beautiful school that it is!

**Read-a-thon:** Shadow Lake is hosting its third annual "Get 5 for \$5.00 Challenge" Read-a-Thon. Kicking off on February 13<sup>th</sup>, this fundraising event is designed to help kids learn to help their school! Kids will be asked to get sponsors for a week of intense reading from 2/27-3/2, *if every child can get just 5 sponsors for \$5.00 each our school can raise more than \$10,000.* 100% of the profits from this fundraiser will be channeled back into the school so help your student by supporting this event! Watch kid mail and packet information coming home for more details or contact Michelle Behrendt at [m.behrendt@msn.com](mailto:m.behrendt@msn.com)



## Medication at School:

Please remember that students are not permitted to carry any medication at school, this includes prescription as well as over the counter medications. This includes items such as cough drops, Lactaid tablets or Tums. Please contact one of our school nurse's if you have any questions.