



Robert J. McGarvey Elementary School - Elk Grove Unified School District

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### Principal's Corner

Congrats to our basketball teams for their big wins at their first games! Please come out and support our double-header on Tuesday afternoon.

This time of year is full of beautiful cultural celebrations. Can't wait to learn more at our Multi-Cultural Night on January 31! ♥ Dr. Mitchell

## RECESS RODEO

On Friday, Jan. 10 A, B, and D Track students participated in a 'Recess Rodeo' to review how to play in different areas on our playground.

Please help us keep your kids safe at school by remembering **students may NOT bring balls, sports equipment, or toys to school** unless specifically requested by their teacher.

### TK & Kindergarten Registration for 2025-26 starts Mon. Jan. 13!

**TK Age Eligibility:** Child turns 4 on or before 9/1/25.

**Kinder Age Eligibility:** Child turns 5 on or before 9/1/25.

Please come into the office to pick up a registration packet starting 1/13/25, and return it (and all the supporting documentation) by 3:30 on 2/14/25. Placements will be made randomly by computer so all families have an equal opportunity for their track preference. Children registered after 2/14/25 will be placed where space is available.

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**Accountable Griffins!**

**Responsible Griffins S.O.A.R.!**

We are **S**afe, **O**pen-Minded, **A**ccountable, and **R**esilient!

This week, these students were recognized students by their teachers. Congrats!

**Kindergarten/TK**  
Oliver  
Catalina  
Angelina  
Jun

**1st Grade**  
Imani  
Aylanni  
Eli

**2nd Grade**  
Yusra  
Abby  
Lyla

**3rd Grade**  
Leo  
Azlan  
Abdullah  
Aurelia

**4th Grade**  
Mia  
Javier  
Cora

**5th Grade**  
Hope  
Caleb  
Timothy  
Rylee

**6th Grade**  
Hannah  
Haleyanne

## MCGARVEY PFO MULTICULTURAL NIGHT JANUARY 31ST

INTERESTED IN SHOWCASING YOUR FAMILY'S TRADITIONS, HERITAGE AND CULTURE? SCAN OR HOLD AND CLICK THE QR CODE TO LEARN MORE! 🍌🍌🍌



Let's explore countries and cultures together, by trying new foods, playing a festive game, creating cultural art, and see what your luck may bring you 🍀

*Thank You  
to the families  
who have  
already  
signed up!*

**Afghanistan  
China  
Costa Rica  
El Salvador  
France  
India  
Iran  
Japan  
Mexico  
Philippines  
Slovakia  
Trinidad  
Ukraine**

*There's still time to  
sign up!*

**MLK Jr.'s BIRTHDAY**

**Mon. Jan. 20  
NO SCHOOL**

BASKETBALL GAMES

Double-Header Tues. Jan. 14

BOYS

4:00 @ home vs. CRES

GIRLS

5:00 @ home vs. Beitzel

Come out and support your team!  
Popcorn & other concessions will be available!!



It's been a great start to our basketball season! Both teams had decisive wins last week at their first games last week.

Boys beat Batey Elem. 56 to 23.

Girls sloshed West Elem. 50 to 0!

Great job, Griffins!!

Important Dates

January

- 13 - TK/K Registration Begins (thru Feb. 14)
- 20 - NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- 23 - 5:30 School Site Council Meeting
- 30 - 9:15 Coffee Chat with the Principal
- 31 - Track Change Day Minimum Day (D goes off)
- 31 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 31 - Spirit Day: Heritage Day
- 31 - PFO Multi-Cultural Night

February

- 3 - Welcome Back C Track!
- 7 - Fire Drill
- 10 - NO SCHOOL Lincoln's Birthday
- 14 - Valentine's Day
- 17 - NO SCHOOL President's Day
- 21 - Track Change Day Minimum Day (A goes off)
- 21 - Griffin Gala and Griffin Store
- 21 - Spirit Day: Rainbow Day
- 24 - Welcome Back D Track!
- 24-28 - 6th Grade Camp @ Sly Park

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Want to sprinkle your student, or their buddies or teachers, or staff members with a little ♥? Grab a \$1 Heart Gram to show them they're beary special! The PFO will deliver these cute Heart Grams for D Track on Jan 31st and on Feb 14th for A,B, & C Tracks straight to their classrooms.

ORDER LINK AVAILABLE ON JANUARY 13TH

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Construction Update

Construction on our three portables is complete! ASSIST now has a permanent home in room H1. The grass area will continue to be off-limits for next several weeks as the grass takes root.

On the Kindergarten playground, the old play structure is gone! All the old fall material is gone (the bark). The new play structure is being built, and pretty soon the new rubber tile will be installed. So far, we're looking at a mid-February completion!

Cold & Flu Season

With cold and flu season here, we encourage you to stay alert and take precautions. If you're feeling unwell, please remember to stay home, and don't forget to maintain good hygiene practices like washing your hands regularly and covering your cough.

We love seeing so many Griffins riding their bikes and scooters to school!

Please remember to be safe!

Walk your bike or scooter on the sidewalk.

Wear your helmet.

You may never ride your bike or scooter on campus.

We continue to remind students about these safety rules. We will call parents to help us enforce the rules. Students who continue to be unsafe may lose the privilege of riding their wheels to school.

Doctor's Orders: Laughter

Jokes of the Week

What did one snowman say to the other snowman?

Do you smell carrots?