

# Gilbert Park Elementary

Wednesday, January 27, 2021

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

*Dear Gilbert Park Families-*  
Happy last week of January 2021!  
We continue to work hard in school through CDL. We are also starting the important planning of returning to school. Our School Board extended CDL until Spring Break. Our hope is that we will begin returning March 29th. Please stay tuned for more information! An important parent survey will be coming out to you soon from the district. Please be looking for it on or around January 29th.



Sincerely,  
Stacie Moncrief

## UPCOMING DATES

January 29th No School - Teacher Work Day - Report Cards  
February 5th No School - Teacher Work Day  
February 8th - Report Cards Mailed Home  
February 9th - PTA Meeting 7:00-8:30  
February 12th - No School - Teacher Professional Development

## QUICK LINKS

[Our school website](#)  
[Lunch menus and bus stops](#)  
[PTA Facebook page](#)  
[Tech Support Resources](#)  
[Gilbert Park Virtual Library](#)

## GOOGLE MEETS CAMERAS

We have had issues on Google Meets this week where students are not able to see their teachers. We realize this issue is having an impact on instruction and are actively working

with Google to resolve this issue. This is a Google issue and is not isolated to DDSD. We will update as soon as we have more information from Google regarding this issue. Thank you for your patience and again we apologize for the inconvenience.

## GROW PORTLAND GARDEN UPDATES

Hello! It's Madeline here, your Garden Educator. I hope you all had a safe and happy New Year. Winter is in full swing and while our gardens are resting we are getting busy planning for spring planting! If you missed it last month, check out this [garden update video](#) to see what's going on in the gardens this time of year.

January's theme is birds and our virtual garden lessons this month focus on migration, beak adaptations, and ways that birds help the garden. Did you know that birds help spread wildflower seeds in our gardens? Or that hummingbirds flap their wings in a figure-eight motion? You can learn more by checking out our lesson videos anytime on the [Grow Portland YouTube channel](#).

Kindergarten and 1st grade classes received bags of birdseed and bird guides to go along with this month's lessons. Putting out birdseed is a great way to help our feathered friends in winter! Another way to get outside and help the birds is by participating in Audubon's [Great Backyard Bird Count](#) on February 12-15. You can practice your bird watching skills and help bird researchers learn more about how our birds are doing!

You can find more resources and learn how to get involved with your school garden at [GrowPortland.org](#).

Warmly,  
Madeline  
[mmiller@growportland.org](mailto:mmiller@growportland.org)

## SLEEP IS IMPORTANT VIDEOS

Are you having trouble getting your child to go to sleep at night? Here is a video you could show your child to help them understand the importance of sleep:

[Sleep is Important English Video](#)

[Sleep is Important Spanish Video](#)

## TITLE IA ANNUAL MEETING & INFORMATION

Every year we hold a Title IA informational meeting to share with parents and students about our school's Title IA program. This year we have created a video and survey to serve as our annual meeting.

This informational video covers:

- What is Title IA
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Assessment and Monitoring
- Parents Rights

Click this link to access the video. Once you select Gilbert Park it will take you to the video. Thank you for taking a few minutes to learn about our Title IA program!

[Title I Information Videos](#)

## FAMILY OUTREACH EVENT

### DDSD Family Cafe

via Zoom on February 4 from 6:00-6:45.

Here is the [Zoom link](#)

**Why:** Provide a safe and trusting learning space to strengthen and empower ourselves as a community by partnering with one another to enhance each child's educational experience.

**What:** Special events to learn together and share innovative ways to support our children's educational success.

**How:** Monthly grab and go learning opportunities

**February Topic** is "We Can Be Successful in Distance Learning".

## CATCH UP ON SCHOOL VACCINES

School exclusion day is February 17th - Students without up-to-date shots won't be allowed on campus for classes, sports, or other activities DON'T WAIT!

Student Health Centers are serving all

Multnomah County K-12 youth with or without insurance. There is never an out-of-pocket cost.

Call to Schedule: 503-988-3554

1034 SE 130th Ave

## BIRTHDAYS

### January 28st - February 3rd Student Birthdays

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Teacher</i>
Gedi	2nd	1/30	Schill
Monica	1st	1/29	Huntley
Braden	3rd	1/28	Joers
Maylani	K	2/2	Davis
Jayden	3rd	2/3	Spencer
Katie	4th	2/3	Burton
Abdi	5th	2/2	Topolski

### February Staff Birthdays:

Marlyss Lenocker - 14th

Jennifer Gray - 15th

Barb Corbin - 21st

Stacie Moncrief - 22nd

Kaelie Tate - 23rd

Denise McIntyre 27th