



THE EAGLE EXTRA

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Every Student Prepared for Success

December 15, 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 18

All School Sing-a-
Long 10:00am

December 19 -

January 3

Winter Break

January 4

School Resumes

January 18

MLK, Jr. Day-
No School

January 19

PTC Meeting, 6:30pm
@ EOES

Dear East Orient Parents and Friends,

The holiday season is here, and we're all excited to have some time with our families and loved ones. We are all starting to feel the buzz of the upcoming holidays and the anticipation of family celebrations.

As you all know, we've had our fair share of excitement over the last week or so. It's great to see our school rebound quickly from an unexpected flood last week. Our staff thanks you for all your understanding and support while we prepared our school for students.

This year the East Orient Leadership class is participating in a "Blessing Bag" project. Our classes have been collecting specific items to put into bags for those less fortunate. We've seen an incredible response from our students and parents, and it's going to be truly great to present these to families or individuals in need.

We will be having our annual holiday sing-a-long this coming Friday at 10am in the gym. It's going to be a wonderful opportunity for the school to get together and kick off our holiday celebrations.

I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a VERY Happy 2016!!

Sincerely,

James Milliken

Gresham-Barlow Education Foundation Funds District-wide E-library

The students in the Gresham-Barlow School District have a new reading resource that allows them to read in school, at home or on the bus.

The Gresham-Barlow Education Foundation began funding an e-library two years ago using funds donated during the annual Phone-a-Thon. A \$20,000 donation allowed the District to purchase the MackinVia platform and reading material. Last year, the Education Foundation funded \$10,000 to enhance the e-library with more books and resource materials.

The MackinVia platform allows every student in the District access to a wide variety of books and website resources. Each student has a virtual backpack that they can fill with e-books from the library. They can read the books on any school computer, at home or, using a smartphone, on the bus. Teachers can also assign a book to an entire classroom.

MackinVia allows the students to highlight passages and make notes about what they are reading. Even when the book is checked back into the e-library, the student's notes are retained for their use in research papers or book reports.

Students at Powell Valley Elementary who read two e-books are invited to "vote" on new e-book selections for their library.

The Gresham-Barlow Education Foundation provides funding to District classrooms that puts the tools of exploration, imagination and career readiness into student's hands and allows them learning opportunities that aren't always possible through normal school funding.



Attention East Orient Families,
We will be holding our annual
Holiday Sing-a-Long Assembly on
Friday, December 18th at
10:00am*. Please feel free to
join in the festive fun!!

*Please note the time for the assembly.
Some information may have gone out earlier
from classrooms that stated the time
differently.



East Orient School's Life skill for
Dec. 7-18:

**Patience: To wait calmly for
someone or something**