



POINT DEFIANCE ELEMENTARY

HOME OF THE POLAR BEARS

Olga Lay, Principal

Feb. 3, 2012

January - Dates to Remember:
2/6 NO SCHOOL

2/6, 2/7, 2/8	Book Club 3:30-4:45
2/9, 2/10, 2/11/2/12	1 st & 2 nd Gr. Math Club
2/9, 16, 23, 1, 8, 15	4&5 th Grade Hip Hop
Ends March 15	3:30-4:30

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Each week teachers select a student to be honored for Student of The Week from their classroom. They receive a special award and certificate from the teacher. Student names are read on the intercom in the morning. Congrats to the following students who were nominated for Student of the Week: Jacob Evans, Alexandrya Shaw, Daniel Lopez-Traeger, Talia Davis, Kona Sampaga, Ahriana Barrientos, Jacob Vance, Tovyt Koltunov, Jacob Colby, Serenity Lewis-French, Kaitlyn McVey, Jenell Little, Malachi Zapata, Aidan Curry, Jayden Sacks, Anna McBeath, Hannah Davis, Cameron Lemagie



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LUNCH OPTIONS



2/6 - NO SCHOOL



2/7 Chicken Patty on Wheat Bun or Beef or Vegi Taco or or Ham Salad or Tuna Salad Sandwich or Yogurt, Cheese stick, Roll



2/8 Cheesy Nachos or Vegi Taco or Taco Salad or Turkey & Swiss Sandwich or Yogurt, roll, cheese stick



2/9 Whole Wheat Spaghetti or PB&J Sandwich or Yogurt, roll, Cheese stick



2/3 - cheese Pizza or Chicken Caesar Salad or Submarine Sandwich or Yogurt, Cheese, Roll

2/6 NO SCHOOL STAFF INSERVICE DAY

Pierce County Dental Society

Children's Dental Health Day
at the Puyallup South Hill Mall

Sat., Feb. 4th, 2012

10:00-2:00pm

Free Activities

Dental goodie bags

Dental Health Education

Dental screenings

Face painting

Fluoride applications



PTA FAMILY VALENTINE'S PARTY

February 10, 2012

6:30-8:30pm in the Gym



Secretary of State
SAM REED

News Release

The office of Secretary of State invites students in grades 4 and 5 to enter the 2012 Kids Art Contest. The winning art will be featured in the 2012 General Election Washington Voters Pamphlet. The winning artist will also receive a surprise visit from the Secretary of State Sam Reed at his/her school. The theme for this year is "If I Could Vote". You can pick up a registration form in the office or for more information go to: julianne.behar@sos.wa.gov

COUNSELOR CORNER

by Jill Smith, Our School Counselor

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Here are some ideas to help your child focus
By Great Schools Staff(greatschools.com)

Many young kids have trouble sitting still and staying focused. Here are some ways to help your child stay focused:
Get the ya-yas out first. Moving the body motivates the brain. Try having your child walk or bike to school, play outside after school, do chores around the house, or play on a sports team. Make sure your child has had a chance to run, walk, or jump around *before* sitting down to homework.

Turn off screens and cell phones. Before your kid tackles homework or does anything that takes concentration, turn off the television. Or if others are watching it, make sure your child is far enough away that he cannot be distracted by it. Also, shut down or move him away from the computer, and if your child has a cell phone, make sure that is off too.