# Forest Grove Elementary



January 6, 2020 Newsletter #6

# NEXT PAC MEETING

Thursday
January 20th
at 7 pm
In the Library

### Principal's Message:

Each new year brings an opportunity and sometimes an expectation to do something differently. Setting goals and committing to resolutions has become a common practice. Students set goals regularly throughout the school year and make plans to reach those goals. We trust your child's report card clearly outlined goals for your child. These are often determined by the classroom teacher but students also make personal goals. The more students are involved in determining their own learning, the more effort they put into the plan and practice.

## **Allergy Alert**

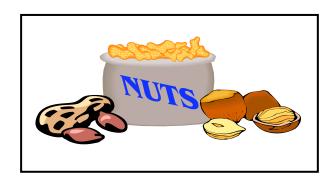
Please see our school website for the most current calendar information

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We believe that all parents would like to be aware that there are students with severe life-threatening food allergies (anaphylaxis) to peanuts and nuts. This is a medical condition that causes severe reaction to specific foods and *can result in death within minutes*.

Although this may or may not affect your child's class directly, we want to inform you so that you may choose to send foods to school with your child that are free from peanut and nut products. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



#### **Electronic Devices**

We discourage students from bringing electronic equipment such as cell phones, video game players, I-Pods, MP3 players and "digital pets" to school.

It is difficult to keep these belongings secure and the school accepts no responsibility if they are lost or damaged. We strongly encourage parents to insist that children keep these items at home.

In addition, we feel that students should spend their free time at school playing and interacting with others. Therefore, our official school policy is as follows: "Any electronic devices brought to school are not to be used during school hours and must be kept out of sight in students' backpacks between 8:55 a.m. and 2:45 p.m." If students are found to be using such equipment during school hours, the item will be confiscated and returned only to the student's parent. We ask for parents' cooperation in this area.

If teachers are using devices for school, they will let you know their guidelines.



#### **DANCE CLUB**

Dance Club starts another season. Students have an opportunity to dance with a group and perform at school events and at a district event. Announcements are made to remind students of their practices.

Dance club for intermediates has started and will continue into the new year. We meet on Wednesdays at lunch and will have extra rehearsals as we get closer to performances. We currently have 32 members for intermediate dance club. We ask that all dancers commit to coming each week for practice.

Primary dance club for grades 1 to 3 will be on Tuesdays and will start the third week of January. We ask that all dancers commit to coming each week for practice as this is not a drop in program. Any questions, please email Mrs. Howey at the school.

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