



Webb Happenings Newsletter

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Important Dates

- 12/18-12/21/23 - PTA Santa Shop
- 12/19/23 - Bagel Day
- 12/21/23 - Student of the Month Breakfast - December
- 12/22/23 - Half Day of School
- 12/23/23 - 1/7/24 - Holiday Break
- 1/8/24 - School Resumes
- 1/8/24 - Webb PTA Meeting 3:30PM
- 1/15/24 - No School - MLK Day
- 1/19/24 - $\frac{1}{2}$ Day - School dismisses at 11:20 - Records Day PM
- 1/19/24 - End of 2nd Quarter
- 1/22/24 - $\frac{1}{2}$ Day - School dismisses at 11:20 - Records Day PM
- 1/24/24 - Report Cards go home
- 1/25/24 - Student of the Month Breakfast
- 1/26/23 - Webb Nonfiction Writing Celebration 1:30PM

From the Principal

Dear Webb Families,

We are just about to wrap up for the holiday break. The teachers and students have been working hard to finish up units and keep that learning going strong until the end. Thanks to all of our parents who support their students' learning from home all year long. It is our wish that all of our Webb families are able to celebrate and enjoy the time off together. We will be doing a whole school reading incentive for our students so they keep those reading skills sharp over the break, so look for that to come home on Thursday with the students. We look forward to seeing all of our students back in January rested and ready to get back to learning.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me via email; corri.nastasi@myhpsd.org or by phone; 248-658-5900.

Sincerely,

Corri Nastasi

Principal, Webb Elementary

Help Needed

On Thursday, December 21st, we will be having our annual staff luncheon. On that day, we try to give the teachers a little bit of a longer lunch and work it so they can all eat together before the break. We are in need of some volunteers (with background checks already on file) who would be willing to help for an hour on Thursday from 11:45AM -12:45PM. Volunteers would just be helping to monitor students in the cafeteria while they eat. Please reach out to the school office if you can help with this or email Mrs. Nastasi at corri.nastasi@myhpsd.org.

Family Needing Help with Transportation

We have a family who lives in the Webster area that is in need of transportation to Webb. They would be willing to kick in some gas money to anyone that might be willing to drive their child to Webb. Please reach out to the Webb office if you would be willing and able to help out.

Bagels






Every Tuesday is bagel day at Webb. Students and staff can buy bagels for \$1 each. The flavors offered are cinnamon raisin, plain, salt & onion.

Covid-19 Free Tests

COVID-19 cases are rising dramatically. In an effort to keep students & staff in school, we'd like to encourage you to take advantage of the free COVID-19 home test kits we have at our school. Please contact the school if you would like any COVID-19 tests and we will arrange for you to pick them up or send the test home with your student. Please consider testing a few days before students return to school on January 8th.

Christmas Spirit Week

We will celebrate the last week before the winter break with some fun spirit days. Please see the schedule below if your child(ren) would like to join us.

<p>18 RED & GREEN Wear as much red and green to get in the Holiday spirit!</p> 	<p>19 CHRISTMAS TREE Dress yourself up and sparkle like a Christmas tree!</p> 	<p>20 SNOWMAN Dress up like a snowman!</p> 	<p>21 UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater!</p> 	<p>22 TWAS THE NIGHT Be cozy and wear your favorite pajamas!</p> 
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Santa Shop

The PTA is sponsoring a Santa Shop for the students to be able to shop for families this week. There will be items for various costs from \$1 to \$15. Please see the shopping day for each class:

Monday: Corso, Kondek, D.Platt, Sanborn, Hazen

Tuesday: Natzke, Burr, Kroneck, Watts, Thomas, Wilkins, Dare

Wednesday: Burgess, Sonnenday, Trathen, Brew

Thursday: Snyder

Kindergarten Families

Resources to Support the Root Causes of Challenging Behavior

Great Start Oakland- Support for Families with Young Children- click here!

Positive Solutions for Families

This seven session parenting series will provide information to families of young children on how to develop social and emotional skills, begin to understand challenging behavior, and encourage positive behavior.

Complete the series and get a free children's book!

[Click here!](#)



Attend a free Positive Solutions for Families series

We will add dates, registration details, and a zoom link for the series in January



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Family Routine Guide- Click here!



Struggling with brushing teeth? Taking a bath? Going Places? Cleaning up?

This Family Routine Guide can assist parents and caregivers in developing a plan to support young children who are using challenging behavior. Children engage in challenging behavior for a variety of reasons, but all children use challenging behavior to

communicate messages. Challenging behavior, typically, communicates a need to escape or avoid a person or activity or communicates a desire to obtain someone or something. Once caregivers understand the purpose or meaning of the behavior, they can begin to select strategies to change the behavior. They can do this by selecting prevention strategies, teaching new skills, and changing the way they respond to eliminate or minimize the challenging behavior.



Social Emotional

Why is social emotional health so important? Social and emotional skills are as important as ABCs and 1, 2, 3s. Babies need relationships with loving adults to learn these skills. Loving relationships also help babies' brains to grow and develop.

greatstartoakland.org



Teaching Your Child to Identify and Express Emotions

Young children deal with many of the same emotions adults do. Children get angry, sad, frustrated, nervous, happy, or embarrassed, but they often do not have the words to talk about how they are feeling. Instead, they sometimes act out these emotions in very physical and inappropriate ways.

Parents can help their children understand and express their emotions.

[Click here to see more!](#)



Teaching Your Child to Cooperate with Requests

Young children can learn to follow adult expectations, including performing simple chores, if the expectations are developmentally appropriate (meaning they match what can be expected for children at that age) and are taught to the child. Below is information on what you might expect from your preschooler and some tips for helping your child learn and follow your requests.

[Click here!](#)



Is Your Child Getting Enough Sleep?

Getting enough sleep is important to your child's overall well-being. The world is exciting, though, and most children do not want to miss out on anything. In fact, your child might say they are not tired or sleepy and fall asleep at the table. As a parent, you continue to set the sleep schedule and the daily routine. Make the bedtime routine special and connect with your child.

[Click here!](#)

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Learning to Use the Toilet

Most parents are eager for their child to learn to use the toilet. However, learning to use the toilet is hard for your little one. It is important to make sure your child is physically and emotionally ready. Starting toilet training too soon can make it a negative experience. Power struggles during toilet training can leave children feeling frustrated or bad about themselves. The key is to stay calm and patient during this time.

[Click here!](#)



Attend a free session on Toilet Learning with Lynn Legg OT

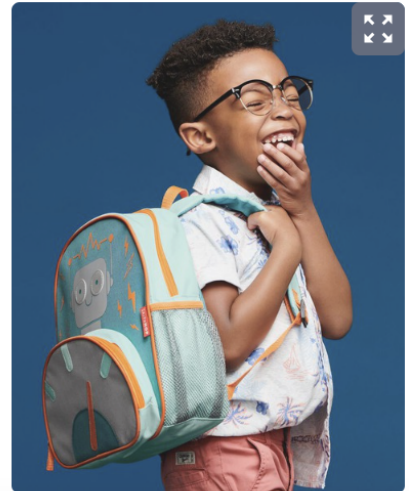
We will add dates, times and registration details as we have them

BACKPACK CONNECTIONS

Kids whining? Struggling with sharing or taking turns?

Help your child develop social emotional skills and reduce challenging behavior. Each Backpack Connection handout provides information that helps parents stay informed and gives specifics ideas on how to use the strategy or skills at home.

[Click here!](#)





VOLLEYBALL

Registration is now open for Upward Volleyball – Grades 3rd – 12th

<https://registration.upward.org/UPW85615>

All Practices and Games are at Ferndale Free Methodist Church,
1950 Woodward Heights, Ferndale

Cost: \$55

Practices days are Tuesdays from 6:00 – 7:00 pm for Grades 7-12

Practice days are Fridays from 6:00 – 7:00 pm for Grades 3 – 6

Games are Saturdays at 10 am for Grades 3-6

Games are Saturdays at 11 am for Grades 7-12

Practices begin the week of January 8th

Games begin on Saturday, January 27th

For more information please call Kaye at the Church office at 248-541-2224 or
Call Kelly Satterfield, Upward Volleyball Director at 248-224-0793



**You're not alone.
Help is available.**

Support During the Holidays

The holiday season can be filled with joy and celebrations. This time of year can also trigger difficult emotions, thoughts, or behaviors—which can affect your mental health and use of substances (including alcohol). Let your friends, family, and communities know that confidential support is available 24/7 for both mental health and substance use.

Holiday Toolkit

[Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#)

Holiday Stress - Help Yourself and Others	+
Holiday Stress - Coping Tips	+
Loneliness and Grief	+
Alcohol, Substance Use, and Recovery	+
Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)	+
You Are Not Alone - Holiday Social Banners	+