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SUPERSTAR eNEWS

Somerset Elementary PTSA

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Our mission is to support the education, health, and welfare of each and every child at Somerset Elementary School. As part of the Washington State PTA, we are a nonprofit membership association bringing together the home, school, and community on behalf of our children.

Thank-you to Somerset families for your support and generosity. Somerset PTSA wishes all families have a safe, warm and joyful winter break.

The next Somerset Superstar eNews will be sent on January 1st due to the holiday week.

PTSA NEWS

Somerset Winterfest Wrap-up

Big shout thank-you to our Somerset Superstar staff and volunteers. We had a great night of our winter fest, Light up the Night. More than 600 students and their family members attended this wonderful event. This wonderful event brought our diverse cultures together to celebrate the many winter festivals and holidays held throughout the world! It has affirmed the identities of students and built their cultural competency. It was an evening that SHINE and illuminated what makes Somerset shine in our darkest months.

Many families donated a lot of items such as glow sticks, and provided fantastic lights and kiddie pools. Our Somerset Superstar staff spent days in setting up the light and decorating the school, and have been serving students with hot chocolate during the event. A number of volunteers spent hours in setting up the exhibition stands and interpreting the culture to audience. Special thanks to Bellevue Fire Station 4 (Factoria) for demonstration, providing education, and their support to this event. We would like to extend our thanks to Cub scout 629 for helping decorate the classroom with all kinds of lights and clean up Somerset Garden for this event. All these efforts make us a strong community. Thank you all for your contributions to making it a great and fun event!

Somerset Winter Fest Volunteers: (If you volunteered yet your name was somehow overlooked, please accept our apologies and let us know via email somersetptsa@gmail.com. We would like to accurately acknowledge each and every one of you and will publish another volunteer list and recognize all of our volunteers at the end of the school year.)

Adele Zhang	Grace Yu	Kosuke Suzuki	Shengnan Li
Aditi Desai	Haiyan Xu	Leo Li	Shilin Li
Aileen Wu	Hillary Nordwell	Lily Zhu	Sudha Bharti
Alison Boda	Huiying Ye	Lin Zhang	Tanya Meyer
Ana Howard	Inna Sheiman	Lingyan Rong	Tara DeFoe
Angelle Morvant	Jackie Gao	Liu Yu	Tim Wortman
Aviti Mathur	Jason Liu	Lu Zhang	Tuli Davenport
Bef Ayenew	Jeff Scherpelz	Luxi Ji	Tyler Pilkington
Bodil Tracey	Jenny Nie	Maggie Zhang	Valerie Makam
Carolyn Li	Jenny Suresh	Michael Vincelli	Wai Ip
Catherine Qu	Jerod Hitzel	Monica Ramos	Wenyan Zhou
Charmaine Borbe	Jerry Zhang	Natalie Hovanec	Wing Ng
Cheryl Crow	Jessie Chien	Ned Locke	Xiaomin Zhou
Chu Chen	Jiahao Mao	Nina Chen	Yanhua Chen
Clare Shen	Jieyun Fan	Patrick DeFoe	Ye Ji
Cristina Gutierrez	Jin Chen	Peggy Wang	Yim Cheng
Dafan Liu	Jingfei Liu	Pratima Penmetsa	Ying Liang
Deana Ahn	Jingyuan Yin	Qinghui Liu	Yingqi Zhao
Deepthi Kancharthi	Jingyuan Zhu	Regina Anderson	Yodit Daniel
Demi Wang	Jinny Kim	Royce Wong	Yolanda Ip
Diane Kuslich	Katherine Yu	Sairam Suresh	Yu Liu
Edith Ng	Kelly Mao	Sandy Lin	Yuan Li
Elizabeth Hitzel	Kelly Sullivan Wynn	Scott Eng	Yu-Hao Pan
Erika Rice Scherpelz	Ken Boda	Seema Gangadhara	Yuki Yang
Eriko Wu	Kimmie Eng		

Staff Appreciation Annual Cookie Blizzard Recap

A fantastic cookie blizzard occurred on Thursday 12/16, which filled up the lounge with all kinds of delicious and beautiful cookies and sweets and filled up the staff's hearts with warm appreciation from Somerset families. Thank you to the baking masters from our Somerset families for making this wonderful event happen.

Staff Appreciation Cookie Blizzard Volunteers:

Adele Zhang	Hyewon Shin	Lingyan Rong	Shweta Sikroria
Alexander Xie	Indu Thomas	Lisa Lv	Stella Ligeret
Ana Howard	Janet Chen	Lu Zhang	Stephanie Keehn
Andrea Chu	Jessie Chien	Mari Bisson	Stephanie Chung
Andrea Doan	Jieyun Fan	Maya Sreenivas	Terasa Cabanilla
Annabelle Han	Jinny Kim	Mina Yoo	Tucky Wongpaka
Ching Fong	Joanna Yang	Natalie Hovanec	Von Duong
Christine Lowe	Jolene Marshall	Peggy Wang	Wei Liu
Cristy Iacolucci	Josefina Correa	Penny Pan	Yan Xu
Diane Kuslich	Joy Chen	Pratima Penmetsa	Yan Zhou
Ellen Zhang	June Wang	Preethi Chandrasekhar	Yanfen Fu
Erica Johnson	Kathy Ge	Rayyan Ismail	Yanfen Song
Eun Suk Cho	Kiran Sreenivas	Rebeca Fisikelli	Yim Cheng
Garima Agarwal	Krystal Wang	Renata Akalin	Ying Liang
Haili Zhao	Le Au	Rohan Nadar	Youngjoo Park
Heather Hsia	Leo Ligeret	Seo Yeon Kim	Yun Han
Hillary Nordwell	Lin Zhang	Shuo Wang	

Curriculum Enrichment Events Recap

Building Your Own Toy Is Fun

Sponsored by Somerset PTSA, the Toy Maker event was held this week for our first grade and fourth grade students. This year the theme for the first grade is "Light and Sound" and that for the fourth grade is "Pioneer History". The event was such a blast and our students had so much fun! We want to say THANK YOU to all the volunteers who came to school and helped. The students wouldn't have all this enjoyment without your support!

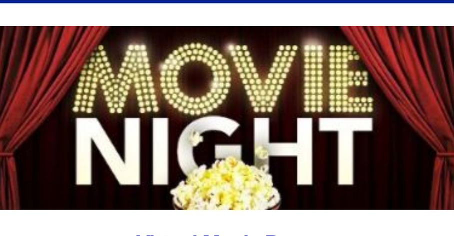
1st Grade Toy Maker Volunteers:
Catherine Qu, Monika Das, Yang Dulfilie, John Hovanec, Annie Ying, Matthew Burke, Sreekanth Kollu, Cong Li, Joanna Yang, Yan Zhou, Lucy Pilkington, Maddie Breandle, Jackson Kuslich, Advay Pahir, Mari Bisson, Hyewon Shin, Manpratap Suri, Jenny Nie

4th Grade Toy Maker Volunteers:
Tuli Davenport, Nanthny Senthil, Carina Xu, Regina Anderson, Pari Zinati, Ken Boda, Heather Hsia, Heidi Heard, Harry Ng, Joseph Atofau, Katherine Cameron, Veronica Sun, Zhen Zeng, Ada Yin, Rui Zhang, Yoojin Kim, Mari Bisson, Becca Wein, Wendy Li, Stephanie Chung, Tom Chang, Clara Barnett, Treves Hokoma, Coren Hokoma, Emily Wang

Internet Safety Talk by Government Officer

Sponsored by Somerset PTSA, Stefanie, a government internet safety department officer, gave a presentation to our 5th graders about social media safety on Thursday, Dec 16th . Social media may have negative influence to young teens, while cyberbullying may even cause suicide. So it is very important to educate our 5th Grade students who will enter Middle school soon regarding how to keep them safe on social media.

This presentation helped students build a deep understanding of their digital footprint and identity as well as the responsibilities on using social media. It was a really helpful lecture. Thank PTSA for hosting this presentation.



Virtual Movie Days

We will be having two virtual movie days in winter break on Saturday, Dec 18th and Thursday, Dec 23rd respectively. Please use this Watch Link and the following passphrase for watching the movies. The Movies are available all day long.

SATURDAY, DEC 18 - *The Grinch (Animated - 2018)*
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SATURDAY, DEC 18 - *Polar Express*
Passphrase: 876755E3340A4DBE928C6719EC3CCA3C

THURSDAY DEC 23 – *Snow Buddies*
Passphrase: FB3CF9A25E4F4B03A10D49744E3C0AE9

THURSDAY, DEC 23 – *Polar Express*
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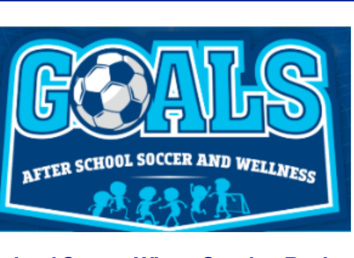
Please Do Not share the Watch Link or passphrase outside the school for the limit of the license.



After School Soccer Winter Session Registration

Welcome to the Winter 2022 Somerset GOALS program! For 4 weeks players will enjoy time out on the field with our professional coaches for a fun and engaging soccer class. This class is open for Kindergarten to 5th Grade students. All questions regarding the program can be sent to Director@goalsinschool.com.

Time: Wednesdays, 1:30pm-2:45pm
Dates: 2022 January 19, 26, February 2, 9
Cost: $129
Registration Link: https://goalsinschool.sportngin.com/register/form/920527887

Smith Brothers Farms Home Grocery Fundraising

Somerset PTSA is partnering with Smith Brothers Farms to raise money! Each new Smith Brothers Farms customer who signs up for home delivery using code **SomersetESPTSA** receives $15 off your first delivery order and activates a $50 donation from Smith Brothers Farms to Somerset PTSA. You'll get the iconic porch box with your 1st delivery! Thank you for supporting Somerset PTSA and our local business.

SCHOOL NEWS

Disposable Masks Needed

Our school is in great need of disposable kids' masks and would appreciate your help. Any kind of disposable kids masks are welcome. We attach an Amazon mask link Disposable Masks for your reference. You may either bring them into the office or have them sent directly to the school (14100 Somerset Blvd SE, Bellevue, WA 98006)

Feel free to contact Shannon at gregorys@bsd405.org if you have any questions.

Small Hands on Art

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Small Hands on Art with Howie and Amy McOmber have been providing performing arts instruction at Somerset for 30 years! Howard and Amy McOmber and Small Hands on Art presents **Aladdin!** Rehearsals are Thursday mornings in the Music Room from 8am to start of school January 6, 13, 20 and 27. The recital will be on January 27at 7:30 pm, Questions call 425-313-9431. Cost $125.00. Costumes provided. Everyone has an important part to play. Act, Sing, Dance!

Please fill out this application form and give it to the coach along with a check (Check payable to *Small Hands on Art*) on the first day of rehearsals.

Go to smallhandsonart.com for more information.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Join Girl Scout Troop 40376

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Girl Scout Troop 40376 is led by Somerset moms and now open for registration for girls in kindergarten and first grade. Meeting will begin in January and cookie sales will begin on February 1.

REGISTRATION:
Visit the Join page at https://www.girlscoutsww.org/en/about-girl-scouts/join.html. Click "Join Now" and then click "Find Troops". Enter zip code 98006, select current membership year, and enter **Troop 40376** (*be sure to type Troop in front of the number*). Annual membership fee is $25.

Girl Scout Troop 40376 Flyer

If you have any questions please contact Bana at bana.millar@gmail.com

Troop 40376
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girl scouts of western washington

Association	Grade Range
Somerset Elementary School	K, 1st
Open Spot(s)	**Filled Spot(s)**
11 girls, 13 adults	1 girls, 1 adults

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