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Unit # 020608

Jan 22nd, 2022

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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.

Friday, Jan 28th - Virtual Movie Night Tuesday, Feb 15th - Birthday Fun Run for February Birthday Monday - Friday, Feb 21st - Feb 25th - Mid Winter Break

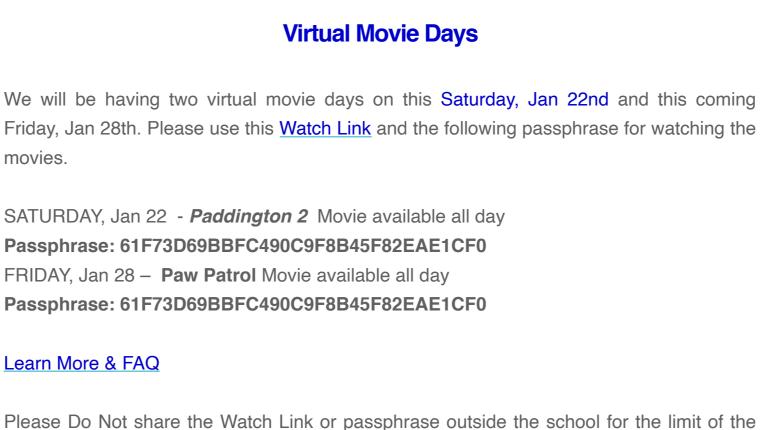
PTSA/School Calendar - Important Dates and Events Saturday, Jan 22nd - Virtual Movie Night Friday, Jan 28th - Spirit Day/Twin Day

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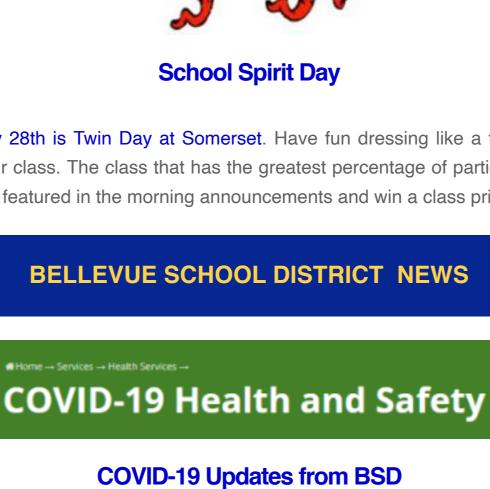
**Smith Brothers Farms Home Grocery Fundraising** 

essential to our mission of being a powerful voice for the school community. Help us reach our goal of 100% membership rate by logging into your PTA account on Somersetptsa.org, updating your Family Information, and completing the membership form. Note that PTSA memberships must be renewed annually. **SCHOOL NEWS** 

**Join Somerset PTSA** 

We are pleased to announce that Somerset PTSA has achieved the Sliver

Membership Growth Award for the 2021-2022 school year. Our membership growth is



Department of Health and Public Health - Seattle & King County.

still offer Test to Stay, which provides another proactive measure for identifying COVID-19

cases. Additionally, we will continue to adhere to guidance from the Washington State

Free COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Test Kit



 Virginia Mason/Swedish Medical Center/City of Seattle You may also check with your local pharmacy to make an appointment. Safeway/Albertsons Pharmacy Walgreens Pharmacy

Panda Express is giving back to Interlake High School PTSA - you can help by eating! Today, January 22nd Panda Express, 3938 Factorial Mall SE, will donate 20% of Takeout, Delivery & Pick up orders to Interlake High School PTSA. Order online at https://PandaExpress.com/ or the App using the promo code 332387 or in store bring

Thank you in advance for your support!

The Lunar New Year marks the first new moon of the lunar calendar and is derived from 12 full cycles of the moon. It is celebrated by many Asian communities including Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese. There are 12 Chinese zodiac animals and one is associated with each 12-year cycle. This year's 15-day-long celebration begins on February 1, 2022 - the Year of The Tiger. Celebrate the Year of Tiger with wishes for good fortune and good health. Gather with family and friends to celebrate traditions during this season. Tune in for a virtual

an array of cultural information and décor beginning Jan. 17, 2022.

and other activities with the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.

workshops for all ages.

Drop-in Drawing

information!

• Luminous Lanterns 11-11:15 a.m.

• The Artist Project: Lee Mingwei

- All virtual activities are free, and no registration is required. All videos are prerecorded. Click the titles to access the activities below. Activities without times are available throughout the day. Programs are subject to change. • <u>Vietnamese Áo Dài</u> and <u>Dance</u> 10:30–11:50 am • Slay-sian Tiger Lunar New Year Calligraphy 12:30-12:50 p.m. Storytime with The Met: Bee-Bim Bop! by Linda Sue Park • Met Stories: Sharing My Mongolian Heritage through Works of Art

Our season runs October - March but we still have room! We practice every Tuesday and Thursday night at Tyee Middle School and we invite your daughters to join! The registration link is below but feel free to stop by a practice before registering to see if it's a https://newportgirlsselectbasketball.sportngin.com/register/form/940670411 Prior to registering, every player must provide verification of obtaining an AAU#. Please reference our club number: W34TDB. <a href="https://aaugirlsbasketball.org/">https://aaugirlsbasketball.org/</a> The cost of an AAU#

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We will be having two virtual movie days on this Saturday, Jan 22nd and this coming Friday, Jan 28th. Please use this Watch Link and the following passphrase for watching the SATURDAY, Jan 22 - Paddington 2 Movie available all day Passphrase: 61F73D69BBFC490C9F8B45F82EAE1CF0 FRIDAY, Jan 28 - Paw Patrol Movie available all day Passphrase: 61F73D69BBFC490C9F8B45F82EAE1CF0

chance for you to support our local business and Somerset PTSA. Somerset PTSA is still 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. SOMERSET ELEMENTARY

## **BSD Family Engagement Survey Update**

rates so that we can best listen to, learn from, and lead with your feedback.

Somerset families, Parent Engagement Surveys should be in your email inbox (check

your junk box for Panorama Education if you do not see it in your inbox). Please complete

the Family Engagement Survey from Jan 4 to Feb 1, 2022 and help us achieve high return

Friday, January 28th is Twin Day at Somerset. Have fun dressing like a friend (or two or three) from your class. The class that has the greatest percentage of participants dressing as twins will be featured in the morning announcements and win a class prize!

likely. This means we are putting a concentrated focus on locations where vaccination rates are lowest and using rapid antigen tests to quickly determine positive cases. We will

To support access to COVID-19 testing, the federal government is providing up to four (4) rapid antigen tests to each household, starting in late January. Order your household's tests at: https://www.covidtests.gov/.

The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) has launched a statewide portal that

Vaccination

Find a Vaccine Near You

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines are available across King County, Washington state and

nationally. Availability varies by location. Use the links below to find a COVID-19 vaccine

Washington State Department of Health Vaccine Locator

<u>UW Medicine COVID-19 Vaccine Updates & Information</u>

• Public Health Insider for a FEMA Community Vaccination clinic

clinic near you:

Vaccines.gov

Rite Aid Pharmacy

• Fred Myer Pharmacy

• Bartell Drugstore Pharmacy



paper flyer or show it on your smartphone. Event lasts all day from 10:30am to 9:30pm.



**VIRTUAL: Lunar New Year Celebration with The Met** 

Experience virtual Lunar New Year activities online with various performances, story-telling

May art bring you good fortune! Celebrate the Year of the Tiger, one of the twelve animals

of the Chinese zodiac, with virtual performances, interactive activities, and artist-led

MissionInspirEd

• Bilingual Storytime with Drag Queen Story Hour 12-12:15 p.m.

**Newport Girls Select Basketball is Looking for Players** 

The Newport Girls Select Basketball Program is a non profit organization (501c3) that is

focused on developing basketball skills, sportsmanship, self esteem and confidence. Our

program is dedicated to serving the youth of the Newport High School feeder area by

questions, have any please email at newportgirlsselectbasketball@gmail.com.

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**Cub Scout Pinewood Derby Race Event** Somerset Cub Scout Pack 629 has a free event for 1st and 3rd grade students. Our 1st & 3rd grade Dens have openings, boys or girls can join, and this is a great opportunity to have fun and learn about Cub Scouts. Date: Thursday, January 27, 2022 Place: Somerset Elementary Cafeteria - 14100 Somerset Blvd SE, Bellevue, WA 98006 Time: Races will be held 7:00 - 8:30 PM Registration: Please email ronwangelin@gmail.com if you would like to register. If you register we will provide your child with a free Pinewood Derby Car kit, build instructions, and more information on prizes and our Covid Safety Protocols.

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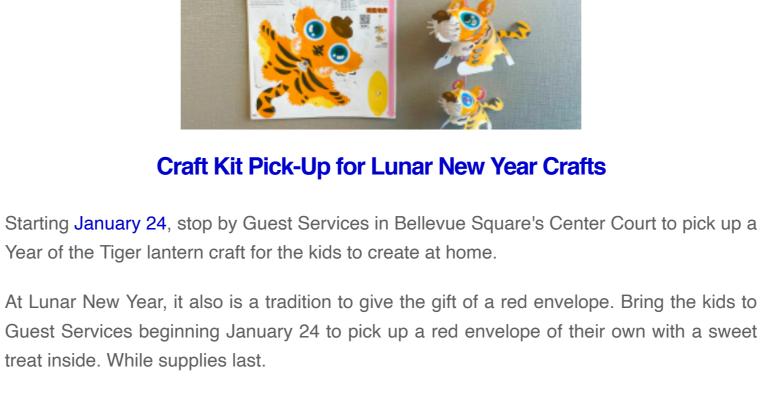
If you haven't signed up for Smith Brothers Farms grocery delivery yet, it is a good

Your voice is important to us! Thank you.

Due to the current COVID-19 surge in our region, increased demand for COVID-19 testing, and subsequent delays in test results, we have re-evaluated our testing program. In an effort to more quickly identify COVID-positive students and staff, pooled screening testing will no longer be conducted after January 21, 2022. A focus on diagnostic testing will allow us to test symptomatic individuals right away and remove them from classrooms. It will allow for more expedient contact tracing based on the prioritization protocol provided by the Washington State Department of Health, with a focus on priority locations or situations where exposure to or transmission of COVID-19 is most

allows for COVID-19 tests to be shipped directly to households. Washington state residents are able to visit www.sayyescovidhometest.org to order rapid-antigen COVID tests online, and will receive those tests delivered at no cost.

**COMMUNITY NEWS** Help Us Raise Money For:



## • Virtual Dragon & Lion Parade Jan. 24 • Craft Supply Pick-up Jan. 24-Feb. 6

presentation of a lion dance, performances, crafts and more. Visit Bellevue Square to see

**Mission InspirEd Winter Classes** 

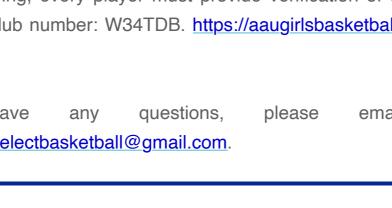
Hurry! Winter classes for Mission InspirEd are coming to you! Mission InspirEd will be

offering free, weekly classes for elementary and middle school students. Classes will start

during the week of January 23rd. They have qualified instructors, teaching topics ranging

from Introductory Business to Intermediate Java! Spots fill up quickly, so make sure to sign

up as soon as possible. Learn more at missioninspired.org/classes. View the flyer for more



Somerset PTSA BOD Meeting Minutes **National** 

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