

**Important Dates:****11/23 Early Dismissal 1:15 pm****11/24- 25 No School- Thanksgiving Break****12/1 Family Fun Night 6:30-7:30****12/9 No School- Teacher Workday****12/19-1/2/17 No School- Holiday Break****Choir News**

Some of our Choir Members will be caroling in December at various locations around Bellingham. This is optional, but carolers must attend 4 of the 5 rehearsals in order to participate. Rehearsals began on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-4:00 and will be the next four Tuesdays.

Dates to remember  
Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> – Holiday Festival at the port, at 5:00 pm -see article below.

Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup>- Morning Winter Assembly- Roosevelt Gym. Parents Welcome!

**Choir at the Ferry Terminal**

Come see our own Roosevelt School Choir perform at the Ferry Terminal on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 5 pm. Even if you don't have a student performing, it is an amazing show! Gingerbread houses will be on display as well. (Choir members stay after school and are bussed to the performance- parents must check in with Mrs. McKee to take their student home after the performance.)

**November Holiday Meals**

Ferndale Community Meals- Saturday, November 21, 12 pm to 2 pm, United Church of Ferndale, 2034 Washington Street, Ferndale, 360-384-3302

Salvation Army- Saturday, 11/ 23, 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm, Free Thanksgiving Dinner- All are welcome, 2912 Northwest Avenue, Bellingham, 360-733-1410

Old Town Café- Thursday 11/24th, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Free Thanksgiving Dinner 1316 W. Holly Street, Bellingham, 360-671-4431

Lighthouse Mission- Friday, November 25th, 12:00-1:30 pm, Traditional Thanksgiving meal and clothes giveaway, Assumption Church Gym, 2116 Cornwall Avenue, Bellingham, 360-733-5120

Hello Roosevelt Families and Friends! Common Threads Farm is holding another FarmRaiser just in time for the holiday season! Your purchases of delicious locally produced treats like honey, chocolates, coffee and jam, support Common Threads in its mission to provide food education to our kids! The link to the online marketplace is listed below and on our Roosevelt PTA Facebook page!

<https://farmraiser.com/campaigns/common-threads-farmraiser-fall-2016/market>

Their goal is to raise \$5000! Please place your order by December 1st.

**Holiday Gift Programs**

Toys for Tots program, sponsored by the US Marine Corps, helps make the holiday season possible for over 2,500 children in Whatcom County. During the first three Friday and Saturdays in December, our community and local businesses, and Toys for Tots volunteers collect, store and distribute the toys to Whatcom county families. The Toys for Tots organization is 100 % non-profit, and all donations stay local. This year we are happy to announce that Safeway/ Albertsons has donated their store at 1650 Birchwood Ave for the Toys for Tots Distribution Center (off of Northwest Ave near the Salvation Army). The Distribution Center will be open from 9 am to 5 pm on December 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> and the 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>. The last day to donate or receive toys will be December 17th.

**PTA Family Fun Night**

Thursday, December 1st at 6:30-7:30pm. Come join your Roosevelt Community for some holiday cheer. Make some crafts and art projects, hear a story and have some treats. We would love to see you there.



## **Emergency and Weather Procedures**

All district families received inclement weather information in the mail in November. Go to [Bellinghamschools.org](http://Bellinghamschools.org) and search “weather and snow routes” for more information about delays, closures and snow bus routes. Contact your school office for more information.

## **How Can I Get Weather/Emergency Information?**

The district will use a variety of methods to keep families and staff informed. When there are changes to school schedules due to snow/inclement weather, this information is communicated generally by 6 a.m.

Go to [bellingshamschools.org](http://bellingshamschools.org) for closure/delay postings.

Call 676-6400 for a recorded message.

## **Receive closure or delay notification through SchoolMessenger.**

An email notification will automatically be sent to you if you have an email in Skyward Family Access. To receive closure or delay notification via phone or text, you need to have managed your SchoolMessenger contact preferences and opt-in for Early AM messaging. Call 676-6520 to manage your contact preferences. As stated above, an email notification will automatically be sent if your email address is already in Skyward.

## **Tune in to broadcast media (keep a battery-equipped radio handy):**

KGMI Radio (790 AM/96.5 FM)

KAFE Radio (104.1 FM)

KOMO Radio (1000 AM)

KIRO Radio (710 AM)

KOMO-TV (Channel 4)

KING-TV (Channel 5)

KIRO-TV (Channel 7)