



The Cougar “Paws”

The Journey Begins Here!

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Principal's Pipeline

Great things are happening at every grade level. In October, some grade levels attended performances at Ross Ragland Theater. Other classrooms were treated to an assembly by published authors. All students attended an assembly presented by the Oregon Coast Aquarium.

When I walk through the classrooms I see a high level of engagement. Our goal is for “everyone to do everything” in class. Students are sharing ideas, listening to other perspectives and writing and reading about the world around them.

Last week I was in a 5th grade classroom where students were comparing and contrasting the speeches of Thurgood Marshall and Martin Luther King Jr! Their student perspectives were insightful and refreshing.

Please save the date for our Christmas Concert scheduled for December 14 during the day. More details will be coming soon about specific times of performances.

We have wrapped up our Future Pelican 4th/5th grade softball season and are now enjoying volleyball games. Go Conger Cougars and Future Pelicans!

Many of our 5th grade students are participating in our After-School STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Program. Under the guidance of Marjorie Glass, they are traveling throughout the area of Wednesdays, conducting experiments and learning about their natural environment.

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) News

A big thank you to all who participated in our first PTO Walk-a-thon. It was very successful and fun! It was delightful to see families enjoying the Conger Fall Carnival on Friday night! Families and Conger staff having fun together in a safe and healthy environment.

Spotlight on Learning

Teachers are busy preparing for Parent Teacher Conferences on November 7, 8 and 9. Please watch for your child's invitation for a conference date and time. Conferences are an important time for you, as parents, to share ideas, information and concerns with the teachers. At the conference, your child and his/her teacher will be explaining important academic goals set collaboratively by both student and teacher. The first quarter report card will be shared and samples of work will be viewed. You will have an opportunity to see examples of our new reading curriculum and learn about ways to extend learning at home.

Parents completing our Parent Survey at the conference will have a chance to win 1 of 3 Fred Meyer gift cards! See you there!

Attendance Counts

I would like to thank all families who are consistently sending children to school ready to learn, on time and here for the entire instructional day. I know the commitment it takes to maintain regular school routines and I deeply appreciate your efforts. It is important that students know how happy we are to have them here every day. At Conger, we show appreciation in many ways. As part of the communities Klamath Promise Initiative, we are striving for every student to Strive for Five or Less missed days throughout the year. As part of our Monthly Attendance Challenge, the students who miss 1 or 0 days for the month will have their name put in a lottery. Of those students, 1 name will be drawn for each grade level at the end of the month. Those lucky students will receive special prize. Today 6 names were drawn and those students received backpacks, water bottles and supplies. The November Attendance Challenge has begun! There are 6 sports equipment filled backpacks just waiting to go home with regular attending students!

Classrooms are also working together to maintain strong attendance. When a classroom has 25 days of 100% attendance, they get to celebrate with a party!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 4th/5th Grade Author's Assembly 9:30-10:30 V Ball Game 4:15 Team A @ Roosevelt Team B @ Mills	2	3 V Ball Game 4:15 Team A @ Conger Team B @ Conger	4 No School Teacher Prep Day	5
6	7 Parent Teacher Conferences Dismissal 11:30	8 Parent Teacher Conferences Dismissal 11:30	9 Parent Teacher Conferences No school for students	10 No School	11 No School Veteran's Day	12
13	14 Dental Screenings Volleyball Practice 4:05-5:05	15 V Ball Game 4:15 Team A @ Conger Team B @ Cheers	16 Early Release 2:00 5th Grade STEM	17 V Ball Game 4:15 Team A @ Pelican Team B @ Conger	18 Ned Show Assembly 2:00 pm	19
20	21 Volleyball Practice 4:05-5:05	22 V Ball Game 4:15 Team A @ Roosevelt Team B @ Conger	23 No School	24 No School	25 No School	26
27	28 Volleyball Practice 4:05-5:05	29 Starbase Field Trip McPherson's class V Ball Game 4:15 Team A @ Mills Team B @ Pelican	30 Early Release 2:00 5th Grade STEM			