Terminal Park Elementary 1101 D St SE Auburn, WA 98002

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Terminal Park families,

The school year continues to fly by as we approach spring break. We are working hard to help students continue to grow throughout the third trimester. The following information is intended to help you be more aware of what is happening at our school and better able to partner with us.

### State Standardized Testing

We are approaching the time for Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA), our annual state standardized testing for grades 3-5. Here are the dates for the state testing:

Grade 3: May 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25

Grade 4: May 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25

Grade 4-5 split: May 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 24, 25

Grade 5: May 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 24, 25; June 1

Please avoid scheduling anything that will take your child out of school on the days he or she is testing. A letter with more details about what tests will be on which days and other information will be sent home with third-fifth grade students soon.

#### Welcome to Kindergarten

If you have a child who will start kindergarten next year, please mark your calendar for "Welcome to Kindergarten" on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. and kindergarten assessment screening on Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> sometime during the school day. We are currently open for kindergarten registration, and we encourage you to register as soon as possible. If you register at one school and then move, you can change your registration to your new school. Please share this information with anyone else you know who will have a kindergartener next year.

# <u>Dismissal Safety</u>

We have had some instances of students saying they should not get on the bus as usual after school because they expect a parent to pick them up but then a parent is not actually coming. We want to make sure everyone is aware that our procedure is to have students who take the bus home after school get on the bus unless there is direct communication from parents stating that they should not get on the bus that day. This could be a note, email, or phone call, but it must come from the parent and not just be the student's word alone. We have students who have permission to walk home and want to make sure they're safe as well. Please regularly review safe walking rules, such as using crosswalks and staying on sidewalks, with your children.

# Lost and Found

The lost and found was overflowing, so we laid the lost and found items out in the main hallway so that students can more easily find missing items. Please come check our lost and found if possible to see if you can identify items that belong to your child. Items not picked up by spring break will be donated.

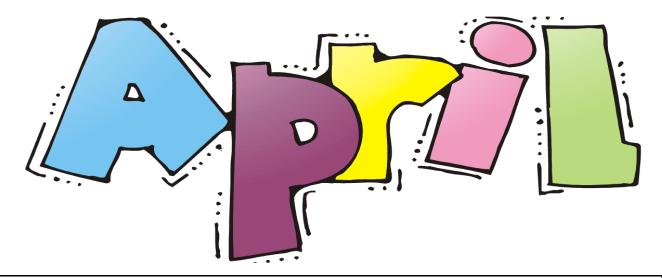
#### Food Drive

Thank you for your participation in the annual food drive for the Auburn Food Bank. We are passing on a significant amount of food and cash donations to help people in need in our community.

We appreciate your effort to support your child's learning and be involved with our school. Please don't hesitate to communicate with us about any questions or feedback that you have. We value our partnership to help all students succeed.

Sincerely,

Tom Dudley, Principal



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Happy EWIN	2	3	4	5 LAFAYETTE'S CLASS TO MUSEUM OF FLIGHT	6	7
8	9	10 SPRING B	11 BREAK TH	<b>12</b> IS WEEK	13	14
15	16	17 SLC CLASSES TO POINT DEFIANCE ZOO 9:30-2:30	18 shutterstock - 220629994	19 FIREFIGHTER VISIT TO KINDERGARTEN CLASSES	20	21
Earth Day	23	24	25	TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY	GR 2 WOODLAND PARK ZOO	28
29 FULL MOON	30	UPCOMING DATES:  MAY 7 WAIVER DAY—NO SCHOOL  MAY 8 WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN 5-6 PM  MAY 16 KINDERGARTEN ASSESSMENTS				