

Week of December 18th

What's Happening?



Chromebook Take Home -Last Opportunity to Sign Up

Technology staff will be at Gallimore on Friday, January 19th to check out devices and chargers to students who are eligible to participate in the District's Chromebook take-home program. This will be the last opportunity to sign up for the 2023-24 school year. This program is voluntary and does not impact a student's ability

to use a Chromebook in class daily. To be eligible, families must complete the following steps by Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 4 pm:

- 1. Make (or change) your selection on the Chromebook/iPad Take-Home Participation
 Agreement at the bottom of the form in <u>Mistar Parent Connection</u>. After logging in, select **My**Information then Review Now across from your student's name.
- 2. Pay the liability (non-refundable insurance premium **OR** refundable deposit) in RevTrak. The prorated insurance premium is \$17 for your first student,\$12 for your second student, and FREE for your third + student(s). A tip: DO NOT change the currency box (leave it as \$0.00) and only select an option from the dropdown menu.
- 3. Clear any/all outstanding technology-related debt, if applicable. If you have questions, please email gallimore.technology@pccsk12.com.

Gallimore Has Spirit!

Let's Show Our Gallimore Spirit

DECEMBER 20TH

Cold Winter's Night

wear your rockin winter or holiday-themed gear (winter hat, headband, favorite scarf,

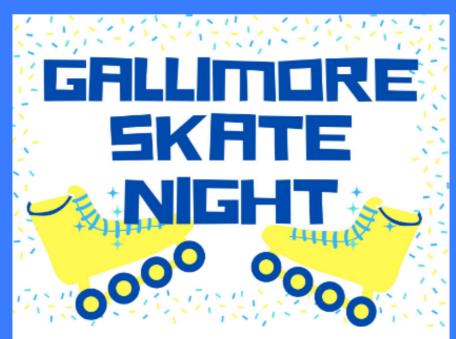


DECEMBER 22ND

Pajama Jam

Wear your favorite winter or holiday-themed pajamas.





We are looking forward to another fun Roadrunner community event. Please join us for the first skate night of this school year on December 18th from 6-8 pm at Skatin' Station. https://skatinstation2.com/

*The cost is \$9 per skater which includes skate rental.



Girls on the Run - Coaches Needed

Girls on the Run Coaches are needed for a spring Girls on the Run team at Gallimore. Please email 3rd-grade teacher, Kirstin Cunningham at kirstin.cunningham@pccsk12.com if you are interested in supporting this group. **Practices will be held on Tuesday and Thursday from 4:00 to 5:15 p.m.**

Gallimore Good News!

Medhini, a Gallimore 4th grader, won the Regional Science Bee and has been selected to go to Florida for the Nationals in May 2024! Way to go Medhini!



Important Dates

December

December 18th: PFO Sponsored Skating Night

December 20th: Cold Winter's Night: Wear your favorite winter scarf,

hat, or holiday head gear

December 22nd: Pajama Jam-wear your favorite winter or holiday

pajamas

December 25th to January 5th: Winter Break

January

- January 8th: School Begins Again
- January 12th: Spirit Wear T-Shirt Designs Due
- · January 15th-MLK Day-No School for Staff and Students

February

• February 7th: Family Game Night

<u>April</u>

• April 12th: Yearbook orders are due

Click here for the entire P-CCS 2023-2024 School Calendar

PFO (Parent Faculty Organization)





Previous Gallimore News



Gallimore SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Book Resources for Families

Does your child struggle with friendships, anxiety, or another social-emotional skill? Gallimore has a picture book collection that includes books related to common social-emotional needs that we see in students. If you are interested in checking out a book from our collection, fill out this form and someone will contact you about getting the books. Note that some of them are virtual videos. If your child has a specific social-emotional need

that is not listed, contact Ms. Gennaoui and she can support you in finding a book that meets your child's needs.

We will do our best to get students outside each day, even during the colder temperatures. Please send your child with winter gear each day. **Please label everything** as our lost and found quickly fills up. We also recommend packing an extra pair of socks and gloves for the days when the playground is really wet.

Students who do not wear snow pants and boots will not be able to play in the snow. Students who do not bring boots will still go outdoors but are expected to stay on the blacktop.



We use the following temperature guidelines as we make decisions about outdoor recess:

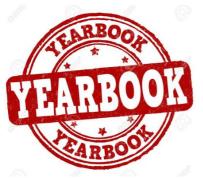
- Above 15 degrees: students will go outside
- Between 10 and 15 degrees: students may go outside for an abbreviated amount of time
- Below 10 degrees: students will have indoor recess

We have many resources to support families during the winter months, please do not hesitate to let us know if you are having a hard time finding snow boots, snow pants, etc. and we can support.

Vacation Form Reminder and Homework Expectations

If your family is planning to take your child out of school for 3 or more days a <u>Student Vacation</u> Form should be completed and submitted to the office. The form can be sent digitally to Melissa Lomibao, our office paraprofessional, at <u>melissa.lomibao@pccsk12.com</u> or it can be printed and sent to school with your child. Forms should be submitted 5 days before the start of the vacation.

When students are away from school it is difficult for the teacher to know the exact topics that will be covered each day during the absence. This is because classroom learning is fluid and based on student understanding of the topics and classroom discussions. For more details regarding absences related to vacation please refer to the <u>P-CCS Student Handbook</u>. Page 36 outlines the guidelines for elementary students.



Yearbooks are Available to Order Now!

Click here to order online: <u>Order your yearbook for Gallimore</u> <u>Elementary School</u>

Order Deadline: April 12th

Yearbook Order Code: 13312624

Information from P-CCS

P-CEP Choirs Winter's Song Concert

On Tuesday, December 19 at 7 p.m., the P-CEP Choirs will be performing a Winter's Song Concert. This concert will include traditional holiday songs including an audience sing-along as well as eclectic choral compositions from visiting composers. Guest artists will perform with the choirs and the traditional concert finale of Carol of the Bells will be performed. As always, Choir Alumni are invited to join current Choir Students on stage for the finale.

A suggested donation of \$5 is collected at the door and seating is general admission. There will also be a wonderful basket raffle before the concert at 6:15 pm outside of the Auditorium doors in Salem High School. All are welcome.

Cultivating Wellness: Unleashing Inner Calm and Stress Reduction through Embodied Practices

Stress is a significant factor affecting our overall well-being, and finding effective ways to manage and reduce stress is crucial. On January 10, 2024, the P-CCS Office of Student and Family Engagement invites you to take part in Cultivating Wellness: Unleashing Inner Calm and Stress Reduction through Embodied Practices.

In this online program, Debra Hopper, an experienced Embodiment Coach, will guide participants through the power of embodiment practices as a means to alleviate stress. By bringing our senses to the present experience, we can shift away from the "fight or flight" response and explore a broader range of choices in how we engage with life.

Throughout the program, participants will be introduced to practical tools and techniques that can easily be incorporated into their daily routines. By the end of the session, participants will have a mini toolkit at their disposal, complete with instructions for integrating these activities into their daily lives.

Session A: 10 - 11 a.m. (via Zoom) Session B: 6 - 7 p.m. (via Zoom)

Register for Cultivating Wellness here!

P-CCS Orchestra Holiday Concert

The P-CCS Orchestra program will present its holiday concert on Monday, December 18 at 7 p.m in the Logan Auditorium.

The concert will mark the first performance of the year for our middle school orchestra students, and also will feature the beginning and advanced high school orchestras. All are welcome to

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Weekly Podcast

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