

November 5th: No School (Teacher Professional Development)

What's Happening?

NWEA MAP Growth Student Progress Report

The most recent NWEA MAP Growth Student Progress Report is available in MISTAR Parent Connection. The following directions appear in the Useful Links section and describe how to locate your child's report and provide information and resources to help you understand their scores: <u>How to access and understand your child's NWEA student reports</u>.

A student's NWEA MAP Growth score is one data point that teachers use to understand how a student is performing and how to best support them. School and district leaders use assessment scores in combination with other information to monitor performance and progress at the grade, school, and district level. It is important to understand that a single assessment can't give students, families, and teachers all of the information that they need to determine what a student knows and how to best support their learning. Information is also gathered through classroom observation, student work, one-on-one interaction between student and teacher, as well as other formal and informal assessments throughout the year. Please discuss any questions that you have about your child's performance with their teacher. If you have trouble opening the report, please contact your child's teacher, and they can print a copy for you.

Students in grades 3 through 5 are invited to design our yearbook cover! Designs are due by Friday, November 16th. See details below for how to participate.



HELP US DESIGN OUR YEARBOOK'S COVER





Girl Scout Information Night - Gallimore

Join us to learn about your local Girl Scout community and create new troops!

Location: Gallimore Elementary Media Center

Date: November 19th, 6:00 pm

Contact Julie at jarmitage@gshom.org for more information

Visit our Lost and Found It is FULL!

Preview the items in our Lost and Found by clicking on this slides presentation (Lost and Found).





Where Do You Feel Like You Belong the Most?

As a part of our continued focus on belonging, we have added 12 picture frames to the wall in the media center. Our goal is to fill these frames with pictures of students in places where they feel the most acceptance and inclusion. We know that students feel included when they see themselves in the fabric of the school. Please help us to fill these frames! You can submit a digital picture of a place where your child feels like they belong to **this Google folder**. Label your child's photo with the first letter of their first

name, their whole last name, and their grade. (Example: JSmith4thgrade)

Ideas to consider as you think about the photo you might submit:

- a picture of your child doing something that they love
- a picture of your child in a location that is a favorite (park, treehouse, special vacation place)
- · a picture of your child participating in a cultural event with family and friends

An important part of belonging is celebrating one another and creating a space where our students and staff can be their authentic selves.

Dates for Your Calendar

November:

- Nov 5th: No School (Teacher Professional Development)
- Nov 7th:
 - School Picture Retake Day
 - PFO Meeting in the Media Center at 6:00 p.m.
- Nov 8th: Gallimore Pride Spirit Day-wear your Gallimore spirit wear
- Nov 13th:
 - Half day of school for Conferences dismissal at 12:10 p.m.
 - PFO Sponsored Dine to Donate: Panda Express
 - World Kindness Spirit Day-wear a shirt that spreads a kind message
- Nov 14th: Half day of school for Conferences dismissal at 12:10 p.m.
- Nov 15th:
 - World Diabetes Day-wear blue to show support and raise awareness for diabetes
 - Skatin' Station Night 5 to 7 p.m.
- Nov 18th through November 22nd: Scholastic Book Fair
- Nov 27th-29th: Thanksgiving Break

December:

- Dec 5th: PFO Meeting in the Media Center at 6:00 p.m.
- Dec 23rd through January 3rd: Winter Break

Click here for the entire P-CCS 2024-2025 School Calendar

Gallimore Has Spirit!

Let's Show Our Gallimore Spirit

NOVEMBER 8TH Gallimore Pride Day

Celebrate Gallimore and wear your Gallimore Gear (or school colors blue and yellow)



NOVEMBER 13TH World Kindness Day:

Wear a shirt that celebrates kindness.Together we can make kindness the standard, not the exception.

NOVEMBER 14TH World Diabetes Day

Wear Blue the color designated for those who support diabetes and spread awareness.

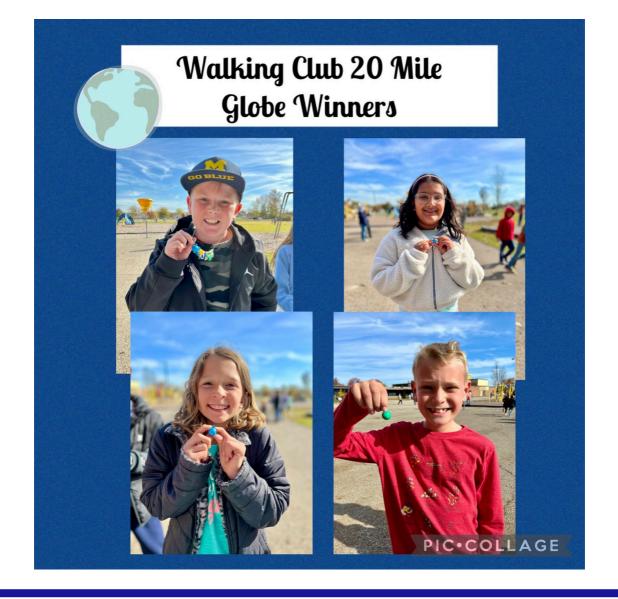


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All families are a member of the PFO (Parent Faculty Group). The PFO is a group that works collaboratively with the school to generate resources for classrooms and to create family and student focused activities that enrich learning and bring families together. We encourage you to find a way, BIG or small, to contribute your ideas and time to our PFO. We can do amazing things when everyone makes a small contribution. Click here to view our PFO Calendar for the year. (Additional dates will be added as more details are available.)

PFO Meeting this Thursday, November 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the media center.



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Updates from PCCS



Native American Heritage Month

November is Native American Heritage Month. Native American Heritage Month is celebrated to honor American Indian and Alaskan Natives who have contributed to improve the character of the nation. In 1990, President George H.W. Bush and Congress

passed a joint resolution designating November as the first Native American Heritage Month. Michigan is home to 12 federally recognized Native American tribes and is one of 10 states with the largest population of Native Americans.

Visit the DEI newsletter for more information and resources on Native American heritage: https://secure.smore.com/n/bp5uv

"My Grown-Up and Me."

Join the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools on Thursday, Nov. 7, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., at Liberty Middle School (46250 Cherry Hill Rd, Canton, MI 48187) for "My Grown-Up and Me." This is a series in which you will be able to bring your student (grade K-5) and interact your way through activities designed to strengthen language development and foster higher-order thinking skills. Children walk

away with fun and entertaining experiences, and grown-ups walk away with tools and ideas to use at home. This Family Academy is specifically designed to give parents and guardians the tools needed to interact in ways that develop strong, happy thinkers.

Register Here for Language and Higher Order Thinking

CANTON ATHLETICS

Athletic Hall of Fame

Canton High School

Canton High School announces an accelerated three-month plan to revive its Athletic Hall of Fame program, addressing a five-year gap in inductions while preserving the program's prestigious standards.

Community members can submit nominations through the simplified online form at https://tinyurl.com/cantonhalloffame from November 4 through November 29, 2024. Eligibility criteria include a five-year waiting period for athletes post-graduation and a minimum five-year coaching tenure for coaches.

The Canton High School Athletic Hall of Fame honors individuals and teams who have contributed to the school's athletic excellence through outstanding achievement, dedication, and character. For more information about the nomination process or ceremony details, please contact the Athletic Department at 734-416-2925 or tiffany.roberts@pccsk12.com.

P-CCS Community Education Fall Classes

P-CCS Community Education late fall classes for youth and adults are still enrolling. After school and evening enrichment and recreation courses are being offered, including cardio drumming, certified babysitting/CPR, karate, retirement planning, yoga and more. Some classes start next week, so register soon. Winter course enrollment will open in early December.



CEBL for Winter 2025

Community Education Basketball League registration for grades 3 -12 boys and grades 3 - 6 girls are now taking place online. Season runs January-March. Spots fill quickly -- if a course goes to waitlist, please add your information. More teams will be formed as coaches are secured. To volunteer coach a team or to register, visit pccs.reg.eleyo.com/communityed.

Information Previously Shared



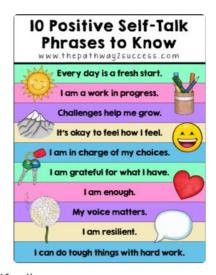
We understand that dismissal plans may change during the day. We are requesting that you notify the office **before 3:45 pm** of any

dismissal change that needs to be communicated to a student. We need time to make sure the message reaches the teacher and student in time to make the adjustment.

Please remember that teachers may not be accessing emails during the day as they are teaching, so a dismissal change should be communicated to the office so we can ensure the message is shared in time for dismissal.

Spotlight on SEL: Positive Self-Talk

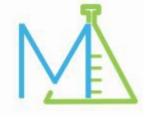
Positive self-talk is when you tell yourself positive words or phrases to get through a challenge. Negative self-talk is when you are critical of yourself in a difficult situation. For example, when a student gets a problem wrong during math, negative self-talk would sound like "I'm not smart" or "I will never get this right." Positive self-talk would sound like "I will get it right next time" or "I can learn from this mistake and get better!" Our students at Gallimore are challenged in ways that sometimes feel uncomfortable for them, whether it be in academics, friendships, sports, or other areas of their lives. One way to support them is to encourage positive self-talk.



Here are some examples of turning negative self-talk into positive self-talk

- I'm going to mess up again → I will do my best and that's good enough.
- No one wants to play with me → I can invite someone to play and make a new friend.
- I messed up that pass, I'm terrible at soccer → Mistakes happen, and I'll get better next time.
- I'll never be as smart as everyone else in my class → I'm on my own journey, and am proud of my progress. I will keep working hard.

For more information about positive self talk, you can <u>read this article</u>. And don't forget, we have the <u>SEL Book Library</u> available to families if you would like to check out books to read with your child related to an SEL topic. If you are interested in checking out a book from our collection, <u>fill out this form</u> and someone will contact you about getting the books.



Science Olympiad at Gallimore

This year we will have a Science Olympiad Team. We are only able to provide experiences like this if we have enough family members who are willing and able to be coaches. This link will take you to a Science Olympiad interest form. This form, **Science Olympiad**Interest Form, is just gathering data at this time. By completing

this form you are not officially registering for the Science Olympiad team as decisions about team enrollment will be made after all interest forms have been completed. **All Science Olympiad interest forms should be completed by Sunday, November 10th at 11:59 p.m.**

A Science Olympiad Informational Meeting will be scheduled soon for any families who are interested in learning more about the Science Olympiad.

Drop Off and Pick Up Safety Reminders

Now that we have settled into the school year, we have noticed a few things that we can work on to mkae our carloop process safer and more efficient. If you drop off or pick up your child please keep the following in mind:



- Morning drop off begins at 8:40 a.m.
- Only have your child exit or enter the vehicle on the curbside of the car
- Your child should be ready to exit the vehicle when they arrive at school (backpack zipped, shoes on, etc.)
- Pull your vehicle all the way up in the car line. This helps us to load and unload as many cars as possible at the same time.
- Wait for the car in front of you to load before you pull out, unless directed to do something differently by a staff member.

Helpful Links

- <u>Student Vacation Form</u> should be completed for any absence longer than 3 school days 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.
- <u>School Lunch Menus</u> school lunch and breakfast continue to be free for all students this school year!
- Meet our specials teachers and support team
- Meet our teachers



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