

January 2016

JANUARY CALENDAR

- Jan 14 - Positive Parenting Workshop 1, 6-8 PM, LifeCenter: Four Square Church
- Jan 15 - Citizenship/Kindness Assembly, 2:15 pm, Gym
- Jan 18 - NO SCHOOL, Martin Luther King Day
- Jan 19 - PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm, Library
- Jan 21 - Positive Parenting Workshop 2, 6-8 PM, LifeCenter: Four Square Church
- Jan 21 - Kelso Makes Correct Choices Family Night, 5:30-7 PM
- Jan 29 - Attentive Leader of the PACK Assembly, 10:15 am, Gym

Highland Mission: *Committed to teaching, Committed to learning, Committed to success!*

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the community organizations and individuals who donated food, clothes and gifts for some of our families during the holidays. A big thank you to Vista Outdoor, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Clearwater Paper, City of Lewiston, Clarkston High School, Asotin County Fire Department, Clarkston Police Department, and many individual staff members who wanted to remain anonymous. Your generosity and kindness mean more to our Highland family than words can express.

Exciting News from Mrs. McVcars' 1st Grade Class

Our mid-year reading scores were awesome! At the beginning of the year, less than 50% of the class was reading at or above grade level and now, looking at our ORFA's and DIBELS, almost 85% are at or above grade level in reading. I am so proud of them and so thankful to Mr. Stroschein, the Skill Center Staff, and the Title I Staff for all of their dedication to our students. Also, a big thank you to parents who are helping their kids at home, it really makes a difference.

January's Focus Is Health & Nutrition

Students who are healthy come to school better prepared to learn. Clarkston School District's year-long campaign, called [#theClarkstonStory](#), has monthly themes to help tell the story of Clarkston. The theme for January is **Health & Nutrition**. Just in time for those who have set New Year's resolutions to improve their health, we will spend the month of January exploring how a healthy start to the year is the best beginning. We'll introduce you to the key players in school health and nutrition across Clarkston's schools, provide resources to food and health ideas, and list weekly tips that are quick and easy to follow. Make sure to visit the district website at www.csdk12.org to find helpful links and more.



Parent Corner

Positive Parenting Workshop

This is a free, 2 part workshop for parents. It is designed for families who have children that display undesirable behaviors and are seeking a way to improve these behavior outcomes. It is open to the community and is free of charge. Childcare and light snacks are provided. To reserve a spot call Karen Nelson at 208-874-7720 or Karen@famieliestogether.org. You can also visit the website at: www.famieliestogether.org. **The dates of the workshops are January 14th & 21st from 6:00-8:00 pm., located at LifeCenter: Four Square Church, 2377 Appleside Blvd., in Clarkston.**

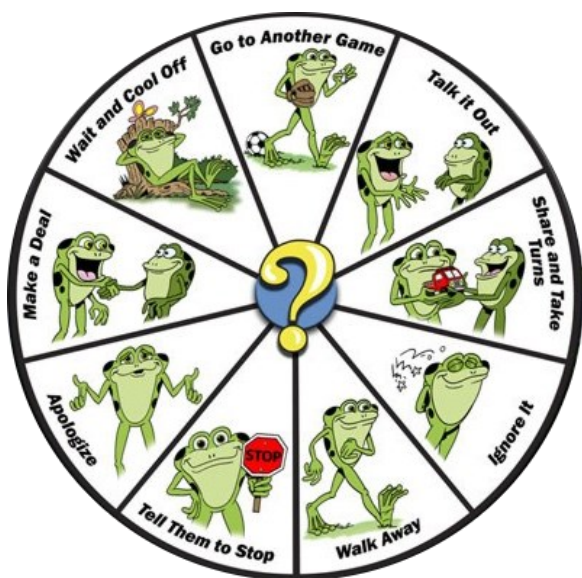
PACK REWARDS

Students earn PACK tickets for showing they are productive, attentive, make correct choices and are kind. The tickets are counted weekly and students are drawn to earn husky bags, extra computer lab time with a friend of their choosing and recess with a friend of their choosing. There is also a school wide goal. The next goal are dress up days. Each dress up day requires 500 tickets.

- EARNED: Pajama Day on Friday, January 8th
- EARNED: Rainbow Day—wear all one color of your choosing on Friday, January 15th
- EARNED: Sports Day on Friday, January 22nd

These days are still to be earned:

- Hat & Crazy Hair Day
- Superhero/Villain Day
- Matchy Matchy Day—dress like a twin, triplet, quadruplet



MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Kelso Makes Correct Choices Family Night

Join us for a night of fun learning about Kelso's Wheel—a way for students to learn skills to solve their own problems.

Thursday, January 21st

5:30-6:00 FREE Dinner for Families

6:00-6:15 Kelso Rap and Skits (done by students)

6:15-7:00 Students will make Kelso and Lilly puppets and Parents/Guardians will have a short presentation providing information about Kelso's Wheel and Choose 2 and Diffuse