

# Trending Now @ PGS

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**IMPORTANT LINKS:** PGS Website:  
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**No School Friday, January 18th  
and No School  
Monday, January 21st**

## From the Principal:

On Monday we will observe Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Dr. King's story is an important one in our nation's history and we can help students to begin to understand the impact he has had on our country by sharing some meaningful details about his life, and having a conversation about being respectful of the differences we all embody. Here are some interesting facts about Dr. King to share with children:

1. His birth name was actually Michael, but was changed to Martin when he was 5.
2. He started college when he was just 15 years old.
3. He was put in jail more than 30 times for his peaceful protests.
4. He helped pass the Civil Rights Act in 1964 which made it illegal to exclude students from school based on the color of their skin.

### Some questions to foster discussing with your family:

What does it feel like to be excluded?  
What is something you can do to make others feel more included?  
Can you think of a time you saw something that wasn't right and you spoke up?  
What do you love about your community?  
Is there something you can do each day to help others?  
What are big things would you like to change in the world?  
What is your big dream?

## PGS Minute January, 2019



- 17 Community Chat with Superintendent at Avon Public Library 3:00-4:00 PM
- 18 **No School**-Teacher In Service
- 21 **No School** - Martin Luther King Day
- 22 Board of Education Mtg. Avon High School Community Room 7:00PM
- 25 International Fair 9-3



## International Fair is Friday, January 25th, 2019

This is an annual event at Pine Grove School for students to learn about and experience the diverse cultures and countries represented by our school community. If you would like to volunteer, please click on [HERE](#).

**The PGS Blizzard** has warmed our hearts with kindness but it is very cold outside. Please remember to send your child to school with appropriate clothing for recess. Hats/gloves/coats and boots!



**Crayola ColorCycle Program** All brands of Markers are coming in for a **recycling Project** Mrs. Matos is doing - Keep bringing them in and place them in the boxes provided. Check out the website @ <https://www.crayola.com/colorcycle.aspx>