

Trending Now @ PGS

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IMPORTANT CONTACTS::

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From the Principal:

Today we kicked off our next character pillar, Fairness. Students often say things like, "no, fair!" or "that's not fair!" Focusing on teaching fairness helps our students see that fair doesn't always mean equal. We helped them define what fairness looks like by showing them short video clips of classmates compromising, taking turns, sticking up for others, and being good sports. Compromise happens when two people want the same thing but find a middle point. Taking turns means both children agree to share a job or experience equally. Sticking up for others shows fairness by ensuring that all children are treated the way that they would like to be treated. Finally, good sportsmanship looks like following the rules of the game, respecting the judgement of adults (referees and facilitators) and treating our opponents with respect. Throughout the month we will be teaching about fairness and looking to "catch" students being fair. You can read more about this character pillar in the letter attached to Trending Now this week. ~ Mrs. Borio

The following students won the Avon Day essay contest! 1st Place Charlotte Sohn grade 4, 2nd Place Tarun Manickavel grade 4. They shared their essays with the student body at Town Meeting.

Shout Outs!

Thank you to the students who presented the Fairness Character Pillar at our Town Meeting on Friday.

During the month of December, the Pine Grove Community will develop a deeper understanding of the Fairness pillar. At our November 30th Town Meeting, our Community Council defined fairness as:

- Taking turns and sharing
- Showing good sportsmanship
- Following the rules of the game
- Treating others with respect
- Compromising
- Standing up for others
- Everyone getting what they need, not necessarily what they want

Take a moment to speak to your child(ren) about the Fairness pillar.

PGS Minute

December

- 1-7 PTO On-Line Auction
- 3-10 Chanukah
- 4 Mrs. Gregg's 1st Grade GOL Field Trip
- 7 PTO On-Line Auction ends
- 14 Donate \$1.00 and wear your pajamas to school December 14th!
- 20 Grade 4 Concert
- 21 Town Meeting 9:00
- 23-31 No School Winter Recess

January, 2019

- 1 No School - Happy New Year!



PGS has a new Security Officer. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to Mr. John Mikesell and welcome him to our community. Remember to have your ID ready for him when you visit the building. We appreciate your help in keeping everyone safe at PGS.

LOST ITEMS FOUND and NEED to go home with their owner!

Missing a mitten, hat, lunch box?
Last day to pick up Lost and Found Items is Monday, December 3. **Any items not picked up will be donated to charity.**

PTO Online Auction November 30 to

December 7 - a new twist on an old favorite. You will have the opportunity to bid online for one-of-a-kind items such as a special spot in the school parking lot, having your child be Principal for the day, time with your favorite teacher, and so much more! These items are the perfect gift idea for your child for the upcoming holiday season. Check Konstella for the online auction

Multicultural Fair is looking for volunteers:

Pine Grove School is planning our Annual Multicultural Family Fair to be held on **Friday, January 25th, 2019**. The Multicultural Fair provides students an opportunity to learn about and experience the diverse cultures and countries represented by our school community. We would like to invite all interested families to participate in making this year's fair a success! Please click on [HERE](#) to volunteer.