



# Englewood Flyer

January 11, 2018

## No School Monday-MLK Day

### Family Bingo Night

Thursday, January 25th Englewood will be hosting it's first ever Bingo night! Doors open at 5:45 and play starts at 6 pm and goes till 8 pm. The price is \$2.50 per person, that gets you all your Bingo sheets and a marker. We will also have professional "dobbers" for sale.

So many amazing businesses have donated prizes; Annette's, The Hub, Young at Art, and Target to name a few. We will be selling pizza and nachos as well as other snacks and drinks.

### The Mayor is Coming!

Last month we had Salem Keizer School District Superintendent Christy Perry come to our school to read to our RAH students. Now in February we will have the mayor of Salem, Chuck Bennett, come and read.

The students who meet the January RAH reading goals will be able to join the mayor in February. Keep reading everyday in January and record it on your RAH calendar.

### Important Dates

#### January

- 15 No School-Martin Luther King Day
- 16 Hat Dress up day
- 16 PBIS Assembly 1:15
- 25 Family Bingo night 6:00
- 26 No School-Staff development day
- 29 Jump Rope for Heart Assembly 10:00
- 30 Rooms 15, 20, 21 Concert Performance 6:30

#### February

- 1 McTeacher Night

### Hat Dress Up Day

Tuesday, January 16th



### From the Counselor's Desk

I heard an interesting analogy about parenting on the "Hidden Brain Podcast" that I've mentioned in the past. Host Shankar Vedantam's guest Alison Gopnik says that parents can raise kids like a gardener or a carpenter. The gardener prepares the ground, plants seeds, pulls weeds and watch the plants grow. The gardener tries to take preventative measures to against failure, but understands that some things can't be controlled. For example, a deer might step over a fence and munch down half of the crop in an evening. The gardener says bummer and replants.

A carpenter operates differently. Plans and detailed procedures result in a desired finished product. Parents who operate in this manner feel "if you just do the right things, get the right skills, read the right books, you're going to be able to shape your child into a particular kind of adult," (Gopnik on NPR 12/11/17). Gopnik says that this way of raising children began to be more common in the last 30 years. She feels it "doesn't align with how children learn and grow."

Gopnik says research supports the gardener approach to raising kids. "Being a caregiver for human beings is much more about providing a protected space in which unexpected things can happen than it is like shaping a child into a particular kind of desirable adult." Gopnik says that families used to rely on a larger group of people to care for and direct kids. The other people offered wider experiences, which in turn added to how things turned out as adults.

These days the community net of adults raising kids has shrunk. In response, we seem to have developed an attitude that raising kids is more like being a carpenter where systematically our kids will turn out exactly as we hope. We tend to treat parenting as a job rather than an experience, which cannot always work out the best when micro-managed.

For more information, listen to the podcast <http://n.pr/2yiG7ta> or read Alison Gopnik's book: "The Gardener and the Carpenter" (08/01/2017 ISBN: 9781250132253).

### Teacher Time

Morning arrival time is very busy and it's important for teachers to focus on student's needs. There are students who thrive on that positive interaction first thing in the morning. If you need to talk to a teacher please make an appointment.

