



## A world of good wishes

One of the real joys this holiday season is the opportunity to say thank you and wish you the very best for the new year. Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful holiday and a very happy new year. Wishing you the gifts of the season — Peace, Joy, Hope.

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## Safety tips for the holidays

As the holiday break approaches and last minute shopping becomes more critical, it's important to keep safety on our minds. Here are a few general tips to keep in mind:

- √ It gets dark early now, and many of us do not get off work until it is already dark outside. Be aware of your surroundings when you leave the security of your school, shopping mall or friend's home. Look around you and pay attention to what is going on. If you are walking alone, be especially vigilant.
- √ Do not walk with Bluetooth devices or headphones on and music turned up so loud that you cannot hear what is going on around you.
- √ Keep your electronics and other valuables secure and out of sight, especially when in public or when traveling on public transportation.
- √ Do not hang your purse, briefcase, or bag from the back of a chair. If you must do this, be sure to cover it with your coat for added protection.
- √ Do not drop off packages or other store bought items in your car if you are still shopping.
- √ When shopping and running errands, park in a well-lit space. Think about the amount of time you will be in that store or mall. If it's likely to be dark when you finish, be sure to park as close to the door as possible.
- √ Packages left on porches or doorsteps are "easy picking" for thieves. It also draws unwanted attention to your home.
- √ Always lock your home's doors and windows, even if you're only gone for a few minutes.
- √ Pay attention to your instincts and surroundings. If you feel uncomfortable in a situation, seek safety. Be vigilant. If you see something, say something.

## LWEA office closed

The LWEA office will be closed from December 18 – January 1, to allow the office staff to spend time with their families during the holidays.

We will return on January 2. Please keep in mind that we will not be checking voice mail or e-mail during the break.



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## Winter driving tire tips

Cold, wet weather can affect your tires and their performance. As the weather turns, check these tips to get the most out of your tire's performance.

- Check the tires when they are cold, and use a quality gauge to get the most accurate reading. The tires will heat up while driving and actually increase pressure.
- Never use just two snow tires – this can be worse than no snow tires at all. If the snow tires are put on just the front of a front-wheel drive car, the combination can cause over-steering or fishtailing.
- All-season or all-terrain tires may not be the best tire to have on the car for all road conditions, especially if snow and ice is severe. In this situation, snow tires may be your best choice.

These tips have been brought to you by the NEA Auto & Home Insurance program. For a free, no-obligation policy comparison, call 1-888-497-1090.

## We have winners!

In our last Prize Puzzle, we asked you to identify which of the statements were correct. **We decided to have a little fun with this one because none of the statements were correct!**

Some of you figured it out and from those names we drew these three – each one will receive a \$10 Starbucks card.

Our latest prize puzzle winners are:

**Kristin Sigel**, Wilder Elementary

**Kacie Phan**, Redmond Elementary

**Cathy Neir**, Frost Elementary

Congratulations to all three of you – enjoy your Starbucks!

## December payroll

For everyone with direct deposit payroll, this month's earnings will be deposited to your bank account automatically on December 28, 2017.

Your Access statement will be available on December 21.

## OPPORTUNITIES

Join us for the **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mustang Holiday Bazaar**, Sat. 12/9, 10 AM – 4 PM, in RHS cafeteria. 80 vendors selling a variety of goodies from jewelry, soaps, lotions, candles, clothing, home & garden décor, baked goods, fused glass art, paper & wood crafts, & so much more! Raffle prizes, kettle corn, food. (Debbie Rist, RHS).

## SERVICES

Pretty tile – ugly grout? **Let the Grout Doctor take care of all your grout & tile needs.** For a free estimate, call John Start at 425-947-0060. (Ila Morrow, LWEA).

**Kitchen or bathroom cabinets** looking dull, faded, or even damaged? Don't be embarrassed or fret! Let us restore them to like-new condition. Free estimates, excellent references. Over 25+ years in the business. Most kitchens under \$895. Call John @ Cabinet & Wood Restoration NW at 425-466-3553. (Suzi Desimone, Retired).

## FOR SALE

Samsung front load **washer & dryer set**, 2 yrs old. Color is platinum, great condition. Pictures available. Paid \$1,400, sell for \$850. Lisa Lovin (McAuliffe) 425-417-6806 (text message).



## Marketplace

Ads are run in the Update on a first come, first served basis. All ads need to be in written form. Send directly to Sheila Hagerman at [shhagerman@lwsd.org](mailto:shhagerman@lwsd.org).

Ads are subject to approval of the LWEA Executive Committee and may be edited for length.

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LWEA Website

[Lakewashingtonea.org](http://Lakewashingtonea.org)

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## Calendar

**Dec. – Jan. 1**

Winter Break

**Jan. 2**

Back to work!

**Jan. 8**

School Board Meeting

**Jan. 9**

Rep Assembly

**Jan. 15**

ML King Jr Day – No School

**Jan. 16**

Executive Committee

**Jan. 18**

Newbie Nights (4:30-7 PM)