



# NORTH STAR NEWS

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## **Mark Your Calendar**

- 3/1-3/5** Spirit Week
- 3/3** Virtual Award Assembly
- 3/16** PTC Meeting (online) 6:30 p.m.
- 3/22-3/26** Spring Break - **No School**



[Click here](#) for the updated school year calendar.

## **Important Information**

### **Parent Requests For IN-DISTRICT Transfers**

**Accepted March 1-31, 2021 \* Deadline is March 31, 2021**

The Gresham-Barlow School District will accept in-district transfer requests for the 2021-2022 school year during the month of March only.

If you live within the Gresham-Barlow district and want your child to attend a Gresham-Barlow school outside of your attendance area, you need to request an in-district transfer. If your student currently has an in-district transfer and is moving from elementary to middle or middle to high, please submit a new request.

A digital transfer request form will be available on the Transfers section of the district website, <http://gresham.k12.or.us/Page/2249>. The link to this form can also be emailed to you directly if you request it from any GBSD school or district office. Forms must be submitted by March 31, 2021.

You will be notified in writing after review of all requests. Please note: kindergarten and first grade requests may not be decided upon until late summer after elementary registration. For further information, contact the Gresham-Barlow School District Office at 503-261-4575.

### **Kindergarten Registration 2021/2022**

If your child will be 5 years old on or by September 1st, 2021, please register them for Kindergarten by June 1st. Registration for the 2021-22 school year opens on Monday, March 1st. All registration is done online and can be accessed by [clicking here](#).

Please have the following ready to complete the registration process: birth certificate, immunization record, proof of residence (i.e. a utility bill), and names and telephone numbers of emergency contacts.



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If you do not know which school attendance area you live in, please use our [School Locator map](#) or call (503) 261-4550 for help.

[English Info](#)

[Spanish \(español\) Info](#)

[Russian \(русский\) Info](#)

## Remind App

Sign-up for the Remind app to keep in touch with your student's teacher! No matter where you are or what you're doing, get important school updates right on your phone. More information and sign-up [here](#).

## Stay Updated

Please visit our district [website](#) to stay updated on current events, information, and resources during distance learning. For North Gresham events and updates, please visit our school website [here](#).

## ParentVue

Register on ParentVue. If you need assistance with setting up ParentVue, please call the school at 503-661-6415. You can also email our secretaries at [thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us](mailto:thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us) or [stevens@gresham.k12.or.us](mailto:stevens@gresham.k12.or.us). Visit the ParentVue web page to login or sign up: <https://www.gresham.k12.or.us/domain/2446>

## Resources

### Counselor's Corner

Dear North Gresham Families,

We have had so much fun reading responses from students on this month's topic of Courage in the Wellness Center. We want to share one student's response on how she can be an "everyday hero" using courage.

Brissia Gaona Mercado writes:

"I can use 'everyday hero' using courage by helping a friend overcome their fear. For example I can help someone who is afraid of reading in front of the class by telling them "Don't be afraid I'm here to help if you get stuck." Being a hero doesn't always have to be about saving lives or flying, it just means to help a person in need when they need it, even if they don't say anything."



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If you haven't seen us, head over to the Wellness Center and find tools to help you get better at managing stress and contributing to our school community!

*We Reach, We Rise, We Shine... with kindness,*  
Ms. Chu and Mrs. Harshfield

## **Reynold's Student Health Center NOW OPEN!**

[Click here](#) to learn more.

## **Grab-and-Go Meals**

Monday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. [Click here](#) for more information.

## **Stay Connected**

### **Follow Us on Facebook**

Follow and like North Gresham Elementary's Facebook page! Watch Morning Announcements Monday-Friday at 8:10 a.m., and Story Time Monday-Thursday at 7:30 p.m.!  
Go to: [www.facebook.com/NorthGreshamElementarySchool](http://www.facebook.com/NorthGreshamElementarySchool).

### **PBIS**

Congratulations to our award winners for Happy Habit # 5 - Seek first to understand, then be understood!

**Kindergarten** - Evan, Jocelyn, Isabel, Chrystian, Isaac, Ivan, Alisina, Kedri'Yanna, Peter, Izayah, Penelope

**1st Grade** - David, Max, Preston, Abby, Khloe, Athena, Nicole, Janette, Makaylah, Caity, Jeremy, Ashley

**2nd Grade** - Caleb, Abby, Jessica, Lillian, Carlos, Artem, Sofia, Tonno, Keira, Lamar, Alan

**3rd Grade** - Makhi, Colton, Mark, Mason, Neline, Quintyn, Kaylee, Micheal

**4th Grade** - Laela, Marcus, Berenice, Owen, Hudson, Jalen, Niema, Mia, Nathan

**5th Grade** - Joselyn, Victoria, Kion, Sophia, Emeli, Tylanni, Ryah, Tsoshong, Ann-Marie

### **Spirit Week, Virtual Assembly & Attendance Challenge Reward**

March spirit week will be 3/1-3/5. During that week, students and staff can dress up each day to show their school spirit.

- Monday, 3/1 - Tie-Dye Day, wear tie-dyed clothes!
- Tuesday, 3/2 - Backwards Day, wear your clothes backwards!
- Wednesday, 3/3 - School Pride, wear your school colors or stars!
- Thursday, 3/4 - Rainbow Day, wear as many colors as possible!



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- Friday, 3/5 - Aloha Day, dress up Hawaiian style!

Don't forget to take photos and post them on Facebook, or email them with permission to post to our Head Secretary, Nina Thomas, at [thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us](mailto:thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us). We love to see our North Stars showing their school spirit!

Our March assembly will be on 3/3, and it will be virtual. The link to watch will be posted on Facebook and in Google Classroom. If students meet the 85% or better attendance mark, they will be rewarded by watching Ms. Coleman and Mrs. O get slimed. Tune in on 3/3 to find out!

## Virtual Recess

Virtual recesses are now in session! This is a great way for your students to connect with their classmates and other students to build their social skills and confidence. Students have the opportunity to meet virtually for social time, show and tell, coloring, games, and other activities hosted by one of our educational assistants. Virtual recess is available Monday-Friday, 11:05-11:20 a.m. for grades K-2 and 11:25-11:40 a.m. for grades 3-5. Students join by clicking on the virtual recess link in their Google Classroom.

## SUN

Hey North Stars! Ready for some more SUN fun with Ms. Izzy? Starting February 15th tune in to our [North Gresham Facebook](#) page on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to see Ms. Izzy's latest projects. Mondays Ms. Izzy will teach us how to make her favorite snacks, Wednesdays is SUN read-aloud, and on Fridays join Ms. Izzy for some Arts & Crafts. If you need supplies or ingredients to follow along with our videos please contact our SUN Site Manager Yessica Ramirez at 503 519-8523 or by email at [yessicar@mfs.email](mailto:yessicar@mfs.email).

## PTC

Please join us at our March meeting on Tuesday, March 16th at 6:30 pm. We are finalizing our Spring BOGO Book Fair, School Catalog Fundraiser, and end of year events. Volunteers are needed for these amazing upcoming events. 3 ways to join the PTC Meeting!

1. Go to [meet.google.com/bvr-nwwn-naj](https://meet.google.com/bvr-nwwn-naj) to login directly to the meeting. Sign in with your non-school email address. Please mute your mic when you sign in.
2. Go to our website [www.northgreshamptc.com](http://www.northgreshamptc.com), click on Calendar, click on Tuesday March 16th at 6:30 pm, click on more details, click on Joining info, sign-in with your non-school email address. Please mute your mic when you sign in.
3. Go to [www.YouTube.com](http://www.YouTube.com) and in the search bar type in North Gresham PTC. Subscribe to our channel!



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Remember, to scan your grocery receipts using the Box Top App (After you scan the receipt, click on the STAR "Credit", and put in your child's teacher's last name to give Credit to that teacher. Yes! We will have competitions.) You can also give back with [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) (North Gresham Grade School Parent Teacher Club) and Fred Meyers Community Rewards (North Gresham Parent Teacher Club). All funds go back to the school and support our students!

## Contacting the Office

You can reach the office staff by calling our school at 503-661-6415, Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please leave a voicemail, if necessary, and your call will be returned as soon as possible. You can also email our office team at any time. Nina Thomas at [thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us](mailto:thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us), and Heather Stevens at [stevens@gresham.k12.or.us](mailto:stevens@gresham.k12.or.us).

## Send Your Photos!

We started a Facebook photo album called *North Stars Shine Online*. We want to see photos of North students and staff showing us how they shine during online learning. Take a picture of your child's school workspace, doing their schoolwork, or a photo of a drawing or special message they made encouraging their fellow North Stars! Do you want your photo added to the album? Send to Nina Thomas at [thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us](mailto:thomas82@gresham.k12.or.us). View our album [here](#).