



# News from the Lion's Den



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## GAA Gives Back

A Big big thank you to all of you

Gresham Arthur Academy Parents, Students, Friends, and Staff are Fabulous, Awesome, Stupendous, GIVERS! We collected 308 bags, boxes, cans, and cartons for our Food / Toiletry Drive. Everything was dropped off on Monday the 22nd just in time to help out with the Thanksgiving baskets that the church provides to families in need. It took 6 filled paper bags, 6 big boxes and 2 overflowing shopping carts to get it all in the church! A big thank you to all of you! GAAPO

In the month of December we would like to give back to the Children Hospital at Legacy Emanuel! Between December 13th to December 17th we will be collecting unused toys! These toys will go to help the kids in the hospital during holiday session. If you would like to be apart of this please bring your unused, unwrapped toy to school and drop it off in the basket located outside of the school office. If you have any question please contact Amy Weaver at [event.chair@gaapo.org](mailto:event.chair@gaapo.org).

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## Breakfast with Santa

Please join us in the FLC room on Thursday December 9th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for breakfast with Santa (for dinner). Please bring your **own** camera so that you can get a picture with Santa. Santa will be at the event the whole time, and ready to have his picture taken with your child(ren)! We will have tons of crafts for your child to pick from for \$1.00. Have your child come and pick up a craft or two and make a Christmas gift for the holidays. We will also be raffling off Christmas wreaths for \$1.00 a ticket.

Breakfast (Dinner) we will be serving pancakes, eggs, sausage links, Juice, Milk, and Coffee. The cost for adults will be \$5.00 and Child will cost \$3.00

After you get a chance to visit with Santa and have dinner please come visit the Holiday shop. Holiday shop is a great place to take your kids to have them pick out gifts for all the family. One stop shopping!

We look forward to seeing everyone at this great holiday event!

If you like to volunteer for this event please contact Amanda Webber at [volunteer.coordinator@gaapo.org](mailto:volunteer.coordinator@gaapo.org).



## Holiday Shop

December 7th thru December 9th we will have a holiday shop. Your child(ren) will have the opportunity to shop for family and friends during school hours. Details on this event will be sent home with your child.

## Competition

### Box Top & Campbell soup labels

Continue to bring in your Box Top and Campbell soup labels. Don't forget to grab the box top forms from the GAAPO board located outside the school office. Mark them with your name and classroom so that your class get's the credit! The first competition will be ending the end of December! Last day to turn your labels in is December 17th. The winning class will receive a treat party!

### Pennies

January through May we will be doing a penny competition. The classroom that brings in the most change will win!

## GAAPO News

GAAPO has had to make some changes this year with the event times and location. All events need to work around the churches schedule. This year the church has every Friday booked so GAAPO has had to make changes to accommodate this. We are aware that some of the dates, location, and times aren't ideal but we appreciate your support as we work through this.

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## Scrip

GAAPO is looking for someone that would like to help. We need someone who can coordinate a scrip program for our school. Scrip is a good way for our school to earn money back from things your family is already buying! If you are interested in learning more about this program, and how you can help please contact Jamie Coughlin at [president@gaapo.org](mailto:president@gaapo.org).

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## Dates to Remember and Upcoming Events

December 7th thru 9th - Holiday Shop

December 9th - Breakfast (dinner) w/Santa 5:30 to 7:30 in the FLC room

December 13th to 17th - Toy drive for Children Hospital at Legacy Emanuel

December 17th - Last day to turn in Box Tops and Campbell soup labels.

December 20th to January 3rd - Winter Break

January 21st - Donuts w/Dudes

January TBA - GAAPO General Parent Meeting

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## Thank You

The Hoe-Down was a great success! Thank you to everyone who helped us make this a great event. We would also like to thank everyone who has helped out GAAPO as well as GAA.

Shawna Joseph	Jake Joseph	Betsy Berens	Helen Elmer
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5th Grade Girls Group

Please accepted our deepest apologies if you have not been mentioned and our most sincere thanks for all you have done to support our school.

A BIG "Thank-you" to Morrow Bros Produce in Gresham. They donated the apples for the Hoe-Down Event. Next time you go there be sure to say "Thank-you" on behalf of Gresham Arthur Academy.

Morrow Bros Produce is located at 2919 NW Division St. Gresham

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## Ad's

If you are interested in placing an ad into the school newsletter please contact Becki Graham 503-810-1066 or [publisher@gaapo.com](mailto:publisher@gaapo.com). The cost is only \$5.00.