

# Ashbrook Compass



As we close out this last week before Thanksgiving Break, we share some last comments of gratitude from our students, but this week, a few staff decided to participate too! With the short week ahead of us, we will not have a Compass newsletter next week, so we wish all of our families a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

“I am thankful for the teachers who teach me.” - Orange, 2nd Grade

“I am thankful it’s a fun school and there are nice people here.” - Martin, 2nd Grade

“I am thankful I get to see my mom and brother at school and we do fun stuff here!” - Libby, 3rd Grade

“I am thankful for all the hard working teachers.” - Louisa, 6th Grade

“I am thankful for a good school and home and family.” - Madalena, 5th Grade

“I am thankful for my supportive co-workers.” - Ms. Elaine

“I am thankful for the generous spirit of our families.” - Ms. Tynon

“I am thankful for Ashbrook remaining independent and innovative in a time of crisis.” - Mrs. Washburn

“I am thankful for the opportunity to teach creative electives.” - Mr. Wilson

“I am thankful for the comradery of the staff.” - Ms. Cordova

“I am thankful for the wonderful staff and the leadership of Mrs. Sechler.” - Ms. Carol

Rachel Sechler  
Interim Head of School

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## Next week:

**November 25** -- Half-day, dismissal at 12 noon; no After School program

**November 26 and 27** -- Thanksgiving Break; No school

## Upcoming Dates:

**December 2** -- PTO meeting via Zoom

**December 3** -- Last day of fall term

**December 4** -- Grade Day; No school

**December 7** -- First day of Winter Term

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We are working hard to keep kids reading and continue the Book Fair tradition with our Scholastic Online-Only Book Fair from November 18th to December 1st.

The Fair will connect your kids to notable books and inspiring characters — helping them become lifelong readers. And you'll love the new option to shop for Book Fair exclusives — directly from the interactive booklist.

Plus, enjoy these special online shopping features:

- Access to over 6,000 products
- All orders ship directly to your home
- FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25
- All purchases support our school and earn 25% in rewards

Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with online shopping:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/ashbrookindsch1>

Thank you for continuing to support our school!

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## **Move-a-thon Raised \$3100+**

Thank you to everyone who participated in and donated to the 2020 Ashbrook Move-A-Thon. With your help, the PTO raised over \$3,100! The funds will be used to purchase items for the school that promote health and safety now and for years to come. Congratulations to Mrs. Anderson's 1st Grade and Miss Kelley's 5th Grade classes for collecting the highest average donation amounts in the BS/LS and MS, respectively. They have been presented with the Golden Shoe Awards and their Benny's Donuts parties are being scheduled. Eesa (6th grade), Sarah (5th grade) and Kellen (2nd grade) were the lucky winners in the prize baskets drawing. Julian (5th grade), who is currently distance learning from Taiwan, was an original basket winner, but graciously declined his prize to allow another student to enjoy its contents. An honorable mention goes to Mrs. Jensen's 4th grade class for having the highest movement tracking participation (86%). Nice work, everyone, and keep moving!

Your Ashbrook PTO

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## **Snow Day Alerts via Text, E-mail, and Social Media**

The days are getting colder, and there is a chance of a "frozen mix" this Sunday. Even with online learning, there are days teachers may not be able to reach the school. If we decide to close for inclement weather, you will not receive a FlashAlert notification. We will send out notifications via text message and email, and we will post a notice on Instagram and Facebook. If you need to update your cell phone number, please log into MSP. Your number must be in the Cell Phone field to receive text messages.

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**We're Fundraising with  
See's Candies!**

Help us earn money for our school  
and make the holidays even sweeter.

**See's  
CANDIES.**

## See's Candy Fundraiser for the Holidays

Ashbrook PTO is hosting a See's Candy YUM-Raiser this holiday season! See's Candy makes a delicious and easy holiday gift for all the special people in your life- including yourself! Orders are placed on our Ashbrook PTO Yum-raising website and are shipped directly to you or your gift recipients. Shipping for orders over \$65 is free, orders less than \$65 ship for a small fee. Proceeds go to the Ashbrook PTO to benefit our entire school. The PTO contributes to community building events, educational resources, educational experiences and much, much more!

Order today! [https://www.yumraising.com/secure/ashbrookis\\_ashbrook\\_pto61/candy?h=KRI\\_LIN2514&c=ot9280](https://www.yumraising.com/secure/ashbrookis_ashbrook_pto61/candy?h=KRI_LIN2514&c=ot9280)

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## The Vina Moses Giving Tree -- **new video!**

Sixth graders Eesa, Izzy, Nora, and Louisa made **THIS VIDEO** about the Vina Moses Giving Tree.

The Vina Moses Giving Tree website: <https://www.vinamoses.org/giving-tree>

If you need help navigating how to pledge a gift, Miss Kelley created [THIS VIDEO](#).

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## Shop Amazon and Support Ashbrook

AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support Ashbrook every time you shop, at no cost to you. Sign up at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/93-1131186> or (**new!**) activate under Settings in the Amazon Shopping app iOS and Android phones.

AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to Ashbrook. (Amazon does not share any private information with Ashbrook.)

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## Current Metrics

Benton County is now in the orange category. Metrics are released every Monday. For a complete guide to the current metrics, please visit

[www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/healthsafety/Documents/Following%20the%20Metrics%20Visual.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/healthsafety/Documents/Following%20the%20Metrics%20Visual.pdf)