

Garfield Bell

June 2025



June 4th

Visiting Artist
Hong Chaeyeon

June 5th

Booster Club Meeting
8:45
Freshwater Creek Field
Trip
School Board Meeting
4:00

June 6th

Madaket Field Trip
Garfield Gallop
TK-2 1:00
3-6 1:45

June 9th

Crazy Hair Day
Surfing at Crescent City

June 10th

Sports Day
Graduation 5:30

June 11th

Last Day of School
Hawaiian Day
6th Grade Luncheon
Ice Cream Truck
1:00 Dismissal
No GASP
2:00 Booster Club Pool
Party

Garfield School

2200 Freshwater Rd
Eureka, CA 95503
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Superintendent:
Michael Quinlan

Superintendent's Message

It's hard to believe that this school year is almost over! We've enjoyed teaching your wonderful children this year and watching them grow as individuals and students. Please know that the entire staff, here at Garfield, would like to extend our gratitude to all of our families for working together this year. We would also like to wish you a safe and joyful summer! We look forward to hearing about all of your summer fun when we return to school on **Thursday, August 21, 2025**.

Warm regards,

Mr. Quinlan

Garfield Gallop

The Booster Club is excited to sponsor the Annual Garfield Gallop on Friday, June 6th. The Gallop is one of our most successful fundraisers, and students can see that their participation has a direct influence on our school. The money we raise from this event will go towards PE equipment, field trips, storytellers, and other enrichment activities that make school so meaningful.

All students will participate in the Garfield Gallop. It's a great way to build school spirit, get exercise, and raise money as a community. All participants will get event shirts. Thanks to generous support from Six Rivers Running Club. We'll have snacks and an official timing clock.

Spirit Week

Make sure you check the sidebar and calendar for the special theme days and dates during the last week of school. Monday-Crazy Hair Day; Tuesday-Sports Day; Wednesday- Hawaiian Day . Please have fun with your choices, but remember safety first and school appropriate choices for each of the days.

Graduation and Music Celebration

This year we are happy to host a graduation and music celebration for our incredible sixth grade students. The Sixth Grade Graduation is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 10th** and will begin at 5:30 PM. This year, graduation will be at the Grange and will include a musical performance by students in all grades. The Sixth Grade SlideShow and refreshments will follow. We are looking forward to honoring our Garfield graduates.

Mutual Admiration!

Garfield staff would like to take this opportunity to not only thank our parents and the Booster Club for providing a fun and festive week of acknowledgment during Teacher Appreciation Week, but to also say, “We think you’re amazing and wonderful.” The hallway and doorway chalk adornments combined with flowers and a delicious luncheon were appreciated by all who work here.

It is true that we have an exceptional staff like no other school, but included in that team are our Boosters. We couldn’t do the amazing things we do, without your support. We would like to take this space to thank you and acknowledge the time you take out of your busy schedules to meet monthly, organize events, make decisions about allocating funds, reimburse teachers for those little touches that go a long way, and so much more. The work that it takes to make it all happen is noticed and appreciated. Thank you for your contributions. You have made a difference. You have helped to build a happier, healthier school community. Thank You from all of the Garfield School Staff.

Library Books and Summer Reading

All library books are due this week. Start your search now for your child’s MIA books and save yourself and Mary a heap of hassle. Bills will be sent out for books that are not returned by **Wednesday, June 11th**.

Keep Reading! Make reading a wonderful and important traditional summer past-time. Humboldt County Libraries have fun summer learning programs with entertaining activities and prizes. Every branch has special activities and summer reading events. Go online to

<https://humboldt.gov/1502/Summer-Reading-Club> or call 707-269-1915.

Thoughts on Summer

To make summer an experience to remember for your child and family, we are recommending lots of time outdoors and drawing on activities that utilize all of the senses, such as a campfire with s’mores, playing in the waves and sand along Moonstone beach, or watching in anticipation for that bases loaded home run at a Crab’s game. Sights, sounds, scents, textures, and flavors make long-term, meaningful memories!

On the flipside, for some families, summer also offers a unique time to establish and practice habits that build character, strengthen family bonds, promote confidence, and cultivate responsibility. Here are a few ideas we invite you to try:

- Make sure your kids overhear you saying positive comments regarding their efforts in school and in regards to the extra-curricular activities important to your child’s identity.
- Ensure that your child is doing age-appropriate chores that contribute to the family’s well-being.
- Establish daily Quiet Technology-Free/Screen-Free Time for at least 60 minutes a day, every day in which everyone, including parents, participates. This time means putting aside phones, texting, video games, surfing the web, watching videos or any television, etc. This time means “Yes” to writing letters and stories, drawing, folding origami, doing tabletop puzzles, fun workbook games such as cross-words, mazes and sudoku, knitting, crocheting, sewing, embroidering, weaving or other quiet crafts. Thirty minutes of this kind of quiet time practice has been shown to cultivate focus, self-regulation and decrease impulsive behavior.
- Engage in at least one hour of physical activity.
- Balance inside time with outside time.

Last Day of School

The last day of school is **Wednesday, June 11th. Students will be dismissed at 1:00.** There will be **no GASP** on the last day of school.

Report Cards

End-of-Year report cards will be sent out **June 20th.**

Good-Bye

As we anticipate summer, there is also a poignancy that comes with the close of the year as we say good-bye to our 6th graders, their families, and to families moving away. We want to take this opportunity to wish students leaving Garfield a successful future at their new schools and warm wishes for success in all their endeavors. To our families who will not be returning in the fall, we hope you will leave knowing that we appreciate the time and commitments you have made to the school and toward your child's success as a student here. You will always be a part of the Garfield family and we hope you will keep in touch.