
FRUITDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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SUMMER 2014

As we come to the close of another fantastic school year, I want to thank you for all of your support. Our students have made phenomenal growth this year!

Remember if your child has medication here at school it must be picked up by an adult by Wednesday, June 11th. Any medication not picked up by that date will be destroyed.

Don't forget to check the Lost & Found for any of your child's missing items.



Our office will open back up during the week of August 18th. Our summer hours will be from 8:00 AM to Noon and 1:00 to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday.

We will have our Enrollment Day on Wednesday, August 20th from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM for returning students.

We wish you all a safe and restful summer break. We look forward to seeing you again in the fall.

Important Dates

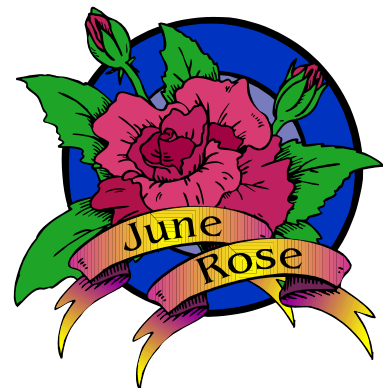
June 9th - 5th Grade Moving On Ceremony
6:00 to 7:00 PM in the gym

June 10th - Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony for Mrs. Eames Class

June 11th - Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony for Mrs. Anderson's class

June 11th - Last Day of School!

June 12th - Summer Break begins!



FROM THE OFFICE

The school doors open at 7:15 AM each morning. Students may go to the cafeteria for a free breakfast until recess time at 7:30 AM. The first bell rings at 7:35 AM and school starts promptly at 7:40 AM. School is dismissed at 1:55 PM. There is no supervision before 7:15 AM or after 2:00 PM. Parents, we need your help in making sure your child arrives to school and gets picked up on time.

If your child will be going home with another student, we need a note from you as well as the parent of the other child. Notes must include students full name, (first & last), teacher, date and parent's signature. Please make sure all transportation notes are set to the office. If you need to call to change your child's transportation plans for the day, the calls need to be made before 1:00 PM. See pages 4 & 5 of the Parent/Student Handbook for more information on Arrival & Departure Procedures.

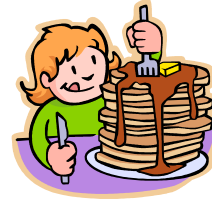
It is a State Law that all medicine to be taken at school is to be brought to school by an adult in the original container. We need written instructions from the parent to administer the medication. Please see page 18 of the Parent/Student Handbook for more information on Medication.

Thank you.



FREE BREAKFAST AT FRUITDALE

Remember, every student who attends Fruitdale Elementary School receives a free breakfast. Even if your child eats breakfast at home, they can come and get a "Grab & Go" for a morning snack.



LOST & FOUND

The Lost & Found is growing. Please check to see if something we found belongs to you.

YARN NEEDED

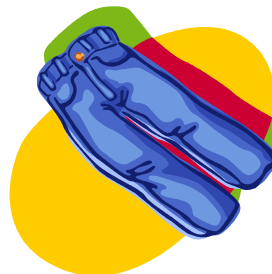
Thank you so much Glenda, the "Hat Lady" for supplying every student who attends Fruitdale School with a hat! We are asking families for donations of yarn to help with next years' hats. Donations may be dropped off at Fruitdale School office. Thank you!



HELP!

We are in need of some donations of clothing. The items needed are pants in sizes 5 - 12 for boys & girls. If you have any pants that are still in good condition that you would like to donate, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Brandie Linden - Family Advocate



PARKING LOT SAFETY

Many of you drop off your student at the beginning of the day and/or pick-up your student at the end of the day. I am sure you are well aware our parking lot is a very busy place. As a staff, we are making extra effort to try and have it flow as smoothly as possible. We continue to need your help to make this happen.

DROP OFF

When dropping off your student in the morning, please use extra precaution. Our student drop off area is located in the front of the building. Please pull all the way forward. We have several parents who stop right at the curve in the front of the office. This causes cars to have to pull around to navigate past the curve. If you pull all the way forward towards the fifth grade hallway, we are able to allow more students to be dropped off at one time.

If you need to escort your child in for any reason or you would like to drop something off in the office, please remember to park inside a parking spot. Our student drop off area is not for parked cars. This will enable the smooth flow of cars in and out of our parking lot. Thank you for being extra cautious regarding this rule.

PICK UP

Please understand we are trying to release students as safely and quickly as possible. With over 350 students, many of which are picked up, our parking lot at the end of the day is going to take some patience.

When picking up your child at the end of the day, we have several parking spaces available as well as a waiting area for cars in our pick-up zone in the front of our building. These places fill up quickly. If there are no available places inside our parking lot, please pull over on Bill Baker Way, this will enable us to maintain a flow of cars in and out of our parking lot. When picking up your student, please pull over to the curb and pull forward as far as you can. This will enable a lane for cars to still get by.

Above all, I am asking that we are all patient in the parking lot. Our goal is for pick-up and drop-off to run as smoothly and safely as possible.

As always, thank you for all of your support.

TITLE 1 FUNDS

Title 1 funds are critical federal funds that help our school in many ways. Our Title 1 funding also pays for more than half of our teaching assistant positions and helps provide extra supplies, library books, and other resources for our classrooms. Please make sure you have filled out the form for free or reduced meals if you are eligible. Even if you don't intend to use that service, by filling out the form and qualifying, you help determine the level of Title 1 funding received at Fruitdale.

EDUCATION OF ALL DISABLED CHILDREN/YOUNG ADULTS

Public Law 105.17 known as I.D.E.A. (Individualized Disability Education Act) requires that school districts provide a free and appropriate education to all disabled children/young adults age 0 to 21.

Three Rivers School District requests the identification of any disabled children/young adults between the ages of 0 to 21 who are not enrolled or currently being served by the district schools.

If you know of any disabled children/young adults between the ages of 0 to 21 who are not receiving educational services, please call the Special Education Department of the Three Rivers School District. The phone number is (541) 862-3111.





Fruitdale Library News
May 2014

Look forward to our annual Scholastic Buy One Get One Free Book Fair!

This fair is my gift to you for helping to make our previous fairs so successful.

While I don't earn anything from this fair, you and your families have the opportunity to double your dollar. This is a great way to get a start on summer reading. The fair will run from May 9 – May 16.

There are several ways that you can help our library:

*Sign up for e-scrip @ www.e-scrip.com and register your Safeway or credit card to donate to the Fruitdale Library.

*Use Good Search as your browser. Sign up at goodsearch.com and choose Fruitdale Library.

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*Please collect those Box Tops for Education! This fundraiser helps us buy new books. If your student fills up the collection sheet sent home by her or his teacher (s)he is eligible to win a drawing for a book or poster.

*Donate your used ink cartridges, cell phones etc. I will recycle them and earn money for books.

*I am hoping to have our garden benefit from Fred Meyer Community Rewards. The application is in progress so look for your opportunity to sign up your rewards card for our garden. It doesn't cost you anything.

I need help in the perennial garden outside the fifth grade classroom. I have plans to continue to make it a butterfly garden with milkweed and other plants that are attractive to butterflies. The perennials need to be cut back, the weeds need to be pulled, the soil needs to be cultivated and amended. If you are inclined to help please see me in the library. I have tools and seeds! I will be happy to accept donations of butterfly friendly perennials. I'm particularly looking for milkweeds.

Thanks so much for helping your students to be respectful and responsible with their books. Our circulating is up and our students are reading more nonfiction than ever!!