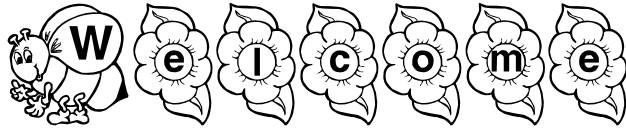


THE MADRONA BUZZ



WE ARE SO THANKFUL YOU ARE PART OF THE MADRONA FAMILY!

We are so happy to have the opportunity to serve you and your child. Please let us know how we can help. Call us at 541-476-6624 from 7 :00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. If you have a bus issue, you may call First Student at 541-476-7733.



SAFETY TIPS

- ⇒ All parents and visitors must sign in at the office before entering campus from 7am-3:30pm.
- ⇒ Always use the crosswalk in the parking lot.
- ⇒ Make sure your child knows how they are getting home each day before school begins.
- ⇒ Pets are not allowed on campus.
- ⇒ Report any safety threats (see page 2 for more info)

KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP WITH...



We are using Remind for important updates.

It's free and safe to use!

Sign up to receive announcements by text, app, web, or email.

TEXT @cck8e to the number 81010

OR sign up online by going to

<https://www.remind.com/join/cck8e>

September 2016




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5 <i>Labor Day</i>	6 First Day of School! (1-5)	7	8	9 Late start (8:40 am)
12 STAR*DIBELS Kindergarten First Day!	13 STAR*DIBELS	STAR* DIBELS PTSG (Parent Teacher Group) @ 2:10 in library	15 STAR	16 Late start (8:40 am) 
19 Book Fair Spirit Week Sports Team Day	20 Book Fair Spirit Week Crazy Hair Day	21 Book Fair  <i>International Day of Peace</i> Spirit Week—Wear White Site Council @ 2:10	22 Book Fair Picture Day  Spirit Week: Dress to Impress Open House: 5-7pm	23 Late start (8:40 am) Book Fair Spirit Week: Madrona Pride (Yellow & Black) PBIS Kick Off Assembly @12:30
26 Classroom Volunteer Training @ 9am	27	28	29	30 Late start (8:40 am)

THE HORNET WAY...



Be Safe



Be Respectful



Be Responsible







Be Kind

Report it!



If you have info about a threat to our safety, do your part and report it! Remember, you can remain anonymous.

4 EASY WAYS

-  <http://1367.alert1.us>
-  1367@alert1.us
-  855.980.7065
-  Text your tips to 855.980.7065



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

1. ALWAYS remain seated.
2. Talk quietly to a seat partner only.
3. Keep hands, arms, and all items with you in the seat...never throw items from the bus windows.
4. Follow all directions from the bus driver the first time.
5. Bus passes are required for anyone needing to ride a different bus to go to a friend or family members house. Buss passes are issued in the front office.

A Family's Guide to the "What" and "Why" of Assessments



DIBELS[®] are...

Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills,
measures designed to quickly and efficiently assess reading and pre-reading skills in Kindergarten through Sixth Grade.

DIBELS is administered 3x a year. The majority of the assessment is given one-on-one and students respond verbally. It only takes a couple of minutes for each student.

WHY? We use the information to tailor instruction to each learner's individual needs. Students who need help with specific skills will be given small group help to target the skills necessary for them to read on grade level. We use the information gathered from DIBELS to make sure ALL students are getting the instruction and help needed to continuously improve.



STAR[™] Assessments

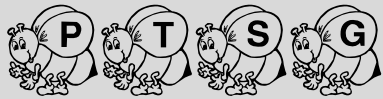
STAR assessments are administered to students in in grades 1-5 in the areas of reading and math. All STAR assessments are computer-adaptive tests (CATs). Computer-adaptive tests continually adjust the difficulty of each child's test by choosing each test question based on the child's previous response. If the child answers a question correctly, the difficulty level of the next item is increased. If the child misses a question, the difficulty level is decreased.

The assessments are designed to be completed in approximately 15-20 minutes. Some students may require more time. STAR Reading and STAR Math[™] assessments help determine reading and math achievement levels in order to place students into the Accelerated Reader[™] and Accelerated Math[™] programs. STAR[™] assessments can also be used to monitor student growth throughout the year.

How will I know how my child is doing? Teachers will share results and your child's progress at parent-teacher conference. Reports will also be sent home with report cards. If you are curious how your child did on an assessment, you may contact your child's teacher the week following the assessment. We would be happy to share the scores with you earlier upon request.

FAMILY

INVOLVEMENT



Our Parent Teacher Student Group is a volunteer organization that plans our school's fun events and fundraisers. All parents, family members, and community members are invited to attend. Child care will be provided.

Site Council

Our site council is comprised of teachers, staff, and family members. This council acts as an advisory board for the principal in the areas of school improvement and financial decisions. Site Council members are nominated and serve a two year term. Non-members are always invited to attend meetings. Community input is welcomed. If you have an item you would like to discuss, please email the principal, Miranda Carpenter, at least one week prior to the meeting to ensure the topic is added to the agenda. Child care will be provided.

Sign up to be a volunteer! Whether you plan on chaperoning field trips, helping in the classroom, or volunteering for special events, all volunteers need to apply online at www.threerivers.k12.or.us. Click on the "District" drop down menu and select "Volunteer Information." Scroll down and the link to apply is at the bottom. The application is good for two years. If you are viewing this newsletter electronically, [click here](#).



Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

- Scholastic Book Fair—Sept 19th-23rd
- Picture Day—Sept 22nd
- Trunk or Treat—Oct 31st
- Fall Festival—Nov 4th (Set Up 2-5, Run booths 5-7:30, Clean up 7:30-8:30)

Do you have time to volunteer on a regular basis? We always welcome classroom volunteers, playground safety monitors, and cafeteria help. We ask that all volunteers working directly with our students attend a classroom volunteer training. Our first training is on Monday, September 26th at 9am. Please call the front office to sign up at 541-476-6624.

JOIN US FOR OPEN HOUSE ON SEPTEMBER 22ND FROM 5-7PM.

The Art of Educating Our Children

This is not your traditional open house...we will be gathering together for a welcome presentation at 5pm in the gym followed by parent/family workshops giving you an in depth look at what goes on at school and how we can work together as a team to help your child flourish. We will have free food and prizes!



PARENT RESOURCE

Renaissance Learning is an online program that supports Madrona in reading. This program has a parent resource section that has helpful Parent Guides, answering frequently asked questions about our assessment, teaching, and learning tools.

You can access it from the following website.

<https://Hosted58.renlearn.com/293424/HomeConnect>

The student login and password is the same as the one they use at school for AR reading.

SPIRIT WEEK

SEPT 19-23

Monday—Sports Team Day

Tuesday—Crazy Hair Day

Wednesday—Peace Day
(Wear White)

Thursday—Dress to Impress

Friday—Madrona Pride
(Yellow and Black)

PBIS Kick Off Assembly @12:30



**School hours
are**

**7:40—1:55
(Mon—Thurs)**

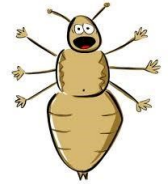
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Automated Calls

We have a system that will periodically make telephone calls to all our parents. This system is called “Synervoice”. What a wonderful tool this is, and we hope that it will help us to communicate with you. We use this system to notify parents of upcoming events, attendance, days that are impacted by inclement weather, emergencies, or other reasons which may require us to reach everyone in a timely manner. When you receive a call from Synervoice, you must say “hello” to activate the message being sent to you. It is also connected to our student information system, therefore it is very important that the information you provide to us on your students’ enrollment form is accurate and kept up to date. So, please help us keep you informed by notifying the school office when personal information changes.

September is Head Lice Prevention Month™

Three Rivers School District has a “No Nit” policy. If your child has nits or lice, they must stay home until treated. They may return to class after passing a head check the front office.



Prevention & Control

(<http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/prevent.html>)

- Avoid head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact
- Do not share clothing such as hats, scarves, coats, sports uniforms, hair ribbons, or barrettes.
- Do not share combs, brushes, or towels. Disinfect combs and brushes used by an infested person by soaking them in hot water (at least 130°F) for 5–10 minutes.
- Do not lie on beds, couches, pillows, carpets, or stuffed animals that have recently been in contact with an infested person.
- Machine wash and dry clothing, bed linens, and other items that an infested person wore or used during the 2 days before treatment using the hot water (130°F) laundry cycle and the high heat drying cycle. Clothing and items that are not washable can be dry-cleaned OR sealed in a plastic bag and stored for 2 weeks.
- Vacuum the floor and furniture, particularly where the infested person sat or lay. However, spending much time and money on housecleaning activities is not necessary to avoid re-infestation by lice or nits that may have fallen off the head or crawled onto furniture or clothing.
- Do not use fumigant sprays or fogs; they are not necessary to control head lice and can be toxic if inhaled or absorbed through the skin.

We recommend checking your child’s hair/head regularly. Head lice are easier to control when found early.

