



MANZANITA ELEMENTARY

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To: Three Rivers School District Board of Directors
From: Jessica Durrant, Principal
Re: Trimester 2 Board Briefing
Date: February 1, 2010

As the second trimester draws to a close, I am amazed and in awe at the wonderful opportunities Manzanita students and staff have experienced thus far this school year. I am so proud of the accomplishments and energy that this list represents.

December –

- Parent-Teacher Conferences were very well attended
- 4th grade field trip to Science Works in Ashland
- 3rd grades presented their Native American Indian classroom projects to parents and Manzanita students
- Students rewarded for perfect attendance with extra recess time
- 5th graders attended Mock Trials at the Josephine County Court House
- 4th and 5th graders presented their annual Music Concert along with the Manzanita Choir
- Parent/student Christmas lunch was well attended by both parents and grandparents
- Trimester perfect attendance lunch with the principal
- Avista Utilities presented Mr. Davidson's class a \$100.00 donation for their class project

January –

- Students rewarded for perfect attendance with extra recess time
- Mr. Davidson's class walked to Ray's Market in Merlin for a math lesson in measurements and cost item analysis
- Family Math Night – over 260 parents and students participated with our staff playing fun math games
- Late Start Professional Development – Certified Teachers learned additional ways to use their new technology to enhance learning and increase student engagement. K-2 teachers worked with Tim Mohr on differentiating math curriculum.
- Rotary 5th grade Student of the Year presentation
- Rogue Valley Chamber players concerts for 3rd and 5th grades
- Parent Lunch

February –

- Licensed staff development time spent exploring cooperative learning groups and review OAKS data for AYP.
- P.T.A. sponsoring a box top rays receipts ink cartridge drive
- 48 students from Manzanita presented their Science projects at the District Science Fair
- Sound Achord began rehearsal with our 4th grade students
- 3rd grade went to Elk Lane for their annual tree plant
- Classified staff development time spent on active supervision, strategies to help students complete writing activities, computer skills
- 4th & 5th grade attended the theatre at GPPAC to see the performance of "The Cay"
- K 1st, 2nd & 3rd grades attended the theater at GPPAC to see the performance of "Miss Nelson is Missing"
- OMSI program presented to all grade levels
- Parent Lunch

I know 3rd Trimester will bring additional activities and happenings at Manzanita. You are always welcome to any of Manzanita's events and I look forward to seeing you soon!