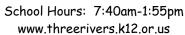
## **WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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# February 2015

| Sun | Mon                          | Tue                                | Wed                            | Thu                                 | Fri   | Sat                                 |
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| 1   | 2                            | 3                                  | 4                              | 5 PTSG Meeting 2pm in Learning      | 6   | 7                                   |
| 8   | 9                            | 10<br>Science Fair<br>Projects Due | 11                             | Center  12  K/1 Valentine Boxes Due | 13  | 14  Varieties  Varieties  Varieties |
| 15  | 16 President's Day No School | 17                                 | 18                             | 19                                  | 20  | 21                                  |
| 22  | 23                           | 24                                 | 25<br>District<br>Science Fair | 26                                  | 27 Family Square Dance @ Applegate School 7pm | 28                                  |
|     | IMPORTANT DAT                | ES FOR MARCH                       |                                |                                     |   |                                     |

Scholastic Book Fair Family Literacy Night

Family Literacy Night March 5
Spring Break March 23 to 27

School spirit days/wear red and black

#### **NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

It's mid-year, and it has been one of change for our school. Our teachers and staff members have worked very hard to make reading instruction a major priority at Williams. Our students gain two hours per day in reading! This is considered a best practice in education and we are seeing the gains your students are making as we regularly monitor progress.

Looking back on the first half of the year. I must smile when I think of some of the hilarious things your children have done and said during our school days. It reminds me of the Art Linkletter refrain from that famous early television show, "Kids Say the Darnedest Things". (And boy howdy do they!) What a gift it is to be your Principal and be a part of Williams Elementary.

On behalf of our staff members, I also want to say thank you for the kind support you offer us in so many ways. One important way is that your child is attending regularly. We know how hard it is to get those kiddos off to school each day, but most of you are doing a great job in this way. It is so important - in fact, it is the most important factor in ensuring

As I look forward, I see only success for Williams. If you have visited with members of our staff, then you know that there is a tremendous amount of love and dedication poured upon our students each day. Thank you for sending your students to us. We pledge to do everything within our grasp to help your

student learn and grow at our school!

Sincerely,

success at school!

Darrell Erb Jr./Principal-Williams Elementary School



# GET INVOLVED WITH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES! JOIN THE WILLIAMS <u>PTSG</u>

Williams Elementary is forming a PTSG-Parent/Teacher Support Group. PTSG is a dedicated group of parents and teachers who work together to support our students in school through helping to organize events, fund raising, and sharing ideas to create a more successful school learning experience. The PTSG held it's first meeting on Thursday, January 15th. Thank you to all the parents and staff who attended and are excited to begin working together.

We will hold our next meeting on Thursday, February 5, 2015 in the school Learning Center. This month's meeting will focus on helping teachers to organize Valentine Parties and organizing a dinner at The Family Literacy Night on March 5th. All Parents are encouraged to attend. If you would like to know more information regarding the PTSG or if you are unable to attend meetings and still want to be involved in school events, please contact Mindi in the office at 541-846-7224 or you may contact our parent liaison Laura Saunders at 541-846-1106



## Scholastic Book Fair, March 2-6, 2015 Dr. Seuss Family Literacy Night

Thursday, March 5, 2015 6:00-7:30pm

"Bring the whole family for fun activities for family."

A dinner sponsored by the PTSG is being planned, details will be announced in the March Newsletter

"Book Fair" books are available to purchase during the Book Fair Week and on the evening of March 5th. You can also preview and purchase books online at

www.scholastic.com/bookfairs/ click find a fair to locate Williams Elementary. The online book fair begins on 2/25/15 and ends 3/17/2015



#### Immunizations:

You may have received a letter recently from the office notifying you to update your student's immunizations. If you have had your student's shots updated recently please bring the records to Mindi in the office before February 18, 2015 in order to update your student's files and avoid immunization exclusion.

#### SCIENCE FAIR

Students who are interested in entering a project in the district Science Fair can pick up the Science Fair manuals and paperwork from their teachers. The manuals contain all the information and scoring guidelines for individual projects. Mrs. Agnifili is our Science Fair organizer this year. Students can contact Mr. A for help and information regarding their projects. Science projects and paperwork need to be turned in to Mrs. Agnifili no later than Tuesday, February 10, 2015 in order to be entered in the District judging on February 25, 2015. There are display boards, colored paper, and other resources available at school

for use. Contact the office if you have any further questions.

### "CALLING ALL SQUARE DANCERS"

You and your family are invited to join Applegate School for an evening of fun as their PTSG host a "Family Square Dance Night" on February 27, 2015 @ 7pm in the school gym. Applegate School is located at 14188 Oregon 238, Applegate, OR. There is no charge, and refreshments will be served.

Call 541-846-6280 for more information.



# Facts of the Day for February

Dear Williams Community,

The Facts of the Day are a routine part of our school days. They can be seen in every classroom and in the gym. Students are increasingly becoming more fluent in basic facts. Place this calendar in a prominent place. Students are excited to see who can correctly get the facts first. Please remember that the addition facts are especially good for all grades, while the multiplication facts are intended for grades 3-5. We appreciate all of your support!

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