

Manzanita Messenger



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<u>CALENDAR OF</u> <u>EVENTS</u>

April 8 – Manzanita Battle of the Books

April 8 – PTA Meeting 2:00 pm

April 11- Firemen on campus

April 16 – Granger class to Crater Lake

April 16- Site Council 2 pm

April 17- Davidson to Crater Lake

April 18- Woodall class to Crater Lake

April 24- Choir Concert 6-7 pm in the gym

April 25 – 3rd grade to Wildlife Safari

April 29- Book Fair

April 30- Book Fair

April 30- Family Math Night 6-7 pm

May 2 and 3—No School—Furlough Days

Thoughts from the Principal.....

Dear parents,

I hope you and your family had a relaxing Spring Break! There are many school events as we make the final push toward the end of the year. Please make sure you stay informed about the activities and field trips here at Manzanita. You will find a list of these events in this newsletter and should receive information from your child's teacher. Please give the office a call if you have any questions about school events.

As the weather gets warmer throughout the Spring, the temperature rises. It is important for students to remember to dress appropriately, following school rules. No skinny spaghetti straps

or super short skirts/ shorts. Thanks for helping all students be comfortable at school and still be appropriate.

Have you ever attended one of our Music Concerts? Has your son/daughter shared with you how much fun they have in music class? We are fortunate to have a music teacher, Mrs. Karen Hegdahl, who organizes concerts and delivers instruction to all students each week. The music program is funded by the Manzanita PTA!! The PTA has a major fundraiser coming up the end of May...the CARNIVAL!! We need many parents to help prior to the Carnival and on that evening (5/31/13). If you are able

to help, even from home in the evening, please give me a call and I will put you in touch with our Carnival Committee.

We are an outstanding school because of your help and generosity. Thank you for supporting our school!

Sincerely,

Jessica Durrant



SAFETY FIRST

As most of you know, we periodically practice different kinds of evacuations, etc. to make sure our students and staff will be safe in the event of an emergency. We have fire drills and lockdown drills. Lock down drills are to make sure we can safely lock down our school and put the kids out of harm's way inside, in the event of someone harmful coming onto our campus. We do lock down drills several times per year and will be having another lockdown drill in April and in May. All drills have the potential to frighten children; please take a few minutes to calm their fears and explain to your child why it is important to learn how to be safe at a school. It is never our intent to scare kids, but it is our intent to give them training so they can be as safe as possible at school in the event of an emergency. Thanks for your help with this issue!

CANNED FOOD DRIVE

May 16th will be the last date for the canned food drive at Manzanita. If your student would like to help by donating, please send in non-perishable food on May 16th. There will be a shopping cart in front of the school to collect the donations. Each student that donates will get their name in a drawing for a Manzanita Spirit Shirt.

Thank you for your generosity!

<u>SPIRIT</u>

Every Friday is Spirit day here at Manzanita! Students are encouraged to wear their Manzanita shirt with Pride. The class that has the most students wearing spirit shirts will get to have Spirit the Mountain Lion join their classroom for the week. If you would like to purchase a school shirt, it can be done at the school office.

MANZANITA MOUNTAIN LIONS!!

BREAKFAST

Breakfast is one of the most important meals of the day. Here at Manzanita, breakfast is free to all students. We want everyone to have a great start to their day! Make sure you are done eating and in the gym by 7:40am. Thanks!!

ANNOUNCEMENT ASSISTANT

Manzanita students that come to school on time every day have a chance to be randomly selected as Mrs. Durrant's Announcement Assistant.

Those lucky students who have recently been selected are: Breanna Sernach, Austin Champion, Joshua Garris, Jude Holcombe, David Gutierrez, Michael McAlister, Tiana Rich.

Thanks for being on time every day!!

NEWS UPDATE

SPRING FIELD TRIPS

As spring approaches, many of our classrooms will be taking some field trips and have class activities that may require parent involvement. If you planning on volunteering to chaperone a field trip or help our at the school, please make sue you have completed the Volunteer Application at the front office. This application must be done each school year. If you can't remember whether you have filled one out this year, contact Ronda or Laurie at 541-479-6433.

THE CARNIVAL IS COMING!!

On May 31st, Manzanita will be having a Family Carnival Night from 5:30-8:00 pm. There will be an auction with fabulous items. Classes will create themed baskets that will be raffled off, fun Carnival food and games. More information will be coming as the date gets closer. If you would like to help with this event, please come to the PTA meetings and give your input. The proceeds from this event supports our music program.



↑ CHOIR CONCERT ↑

Manzanita 4th and 5th grade choir students will be performing a concert on Wednesday, April 24. The students will be performing in the gym. The show will begin at 6:00 pm and the admission is \$1.00 "Rock and Roll Forever" is the theme of the evening.

Look for more information to come home in the next few weeks.

