

Fun With Words

Newspaper Learning

With thousands of words in every issue, newspapers are a great way to build your youngster's skills. Grab a paper, and try these activities.

Matching Game

Have your child cut out several photographs and their captions separately. Mix them up. Matching the captions and the photos will improve your child's reading comprehension.

Scavenger hunt

List items in the newspaper (car ad, crossword puzzle, weather forecast), and ask your youngster to find and circle each one. This will build research skills as your child looks through the pages.

ABC order

Together, find the names of 5-10 countries, states, and cities in headlines or stories. Let your child copy each one onto an index card and arrange the cards in alphabetical order.

This will help your child practice spelling and learn about geography.

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**APRIL—MAY 2011
NEWSLETTER**



**FRUITDALE
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

News From the Cafeteria

In case you have not heard you can now add money on to your child's lunch account online by going to <http://www.threerivers.k12.or.us> Then click on **Mealtime Online Account** in the left hand column, the first time you will need to Create New Profile, then you will be able to make Meal Account Deposits, School Fee Payments and fill out Free & Reduced Lunch Applications.



The end of the year is fast approaching. In order to balance our books all lunch accounts need to be brought current. As of May 2, 2011 there will be no more charging of lunches. If your child gets free lunch you need not worry about it, just ignore this. All other students will need to make sure they have money for lunches. Anyone that needs a lunch but has no money will receive an emergency lunch that consists of cheese sandwich, an apple and a white milk.

Thank you,
Janet Schenhoff
Fruitdale Elementary
Food Service Manager

Office Reminders

School hours are 7:40 AM to 1:50 PM. It is very important that you make sure your child arrives to school and is picked up from school on time. We have approximately 30 tardies every morning and at least 10 students waiting in the office to be picked up after 2:00 each day. Teachers and office staff are often in meetings before and after school. There is no supervision for students before 7:15 AM or after 2:00 PM. We do have bus pick up each morning if you are having trouble getting your children to school on time. We also have busses after school with one that takes students to the Boys and Girls Club.

We also have a daycare that is on site, Kids Connection. For more information on Kids Connection, call Trish at (541) 281-1255. Thank you so much for your help with this.

PANTHER PACK NEWS

Family Bingo Night
Tuesday, May 10th
6:00-7:30pm

Where: Fruitdale
Elementary School

Watch for a flyer for more
Information

KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

When: May 11th, 2011
Time: 12:00-2:00 pm
Where: Kindergarten Classroom
What to Bring: Proof of
Immunizations
AND Birth Certificate

Any questions, please call
Fruitdale elementary School at
(541) 476-2276

Box Top News

Reminder current contest will run through the end of May 2011. Keep sending in those BoxTops! Check your pantry for any BoxTops that expire June, July or August 2011 and get those in this school year before they expire.

