



Cougar Tails

October 1, 2012

Message from the Principal

Fall is in the air and the school year is off to a fabulous start! We have all been busy settling into the back to school routines and embracing the learning rigor. Our open house was a great success and I enjoyed the opportunity to meet many of you.

I am amazed to see the wonderful learning opportunities that happen here each and every day. Applegate staff has a strong school-community connection and we are all committed to providing the best education experience for all students. This can be seen by the time and commitment that the staff provides on a daily basis. As the school year progresses the staff will continue to set high expectations while implementing a rigorous curriculum to ensure positive growth academically, socially, and behaviorally. We are honored to be a part of your child's educational path and will continue to help all of our students be the best that they can be! We are looking forward to seeing you for parent-teacher conferences on October 17th and 18th please schedule a time with your child's teacher. Conferences provide a perfect opportunity to discuss challenges and celebrate successes to help build a positive school experience for your child.

In order to nurture a safe learning environment for all we are a Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) school. We emphasize three school rules: Be Safe, Be Responsible and Be Respectful. Our expectation is that every member of our school community live up to those expectations. Those are simple rules that we can apply in and out of school.

As the school year progresses please feel free to contact me anytime. I am here to support you.

Renee Hults

School Hours

Grades K-5— 8:10 - 2:35

Grades 6-8- 8:10- 2:40



Monthly Calendar

October 3	Picture Day
October 4	2:45 elections for PTSG
October 8	Homework Club
October 9	Art Club 2/3 field trip to White Oak Farm
October 11	Progress Reports
October 12	State-wide In-service NO CLASSES
October 15	Board Mtg @ JP
October 17	Evening Conferences
October 18	Day Conferences
October 19	NO SCHOOL DAY

Homework Club

Homework Club will begin October 8th. A permission slip will come home with your student. This must be completed and returned in order for your student to attend. We are stressing this is for students that need help with homework and are willing to work. Students with no homework must go home. Again a permission slip must be filled out before attending homework club. We only have room for up to 14



New Student Council

Our new student council this year is as follows:

President: Austin Green 8th grade

Vice President: Nalani Stone 8th grade

Secretary: Shae Wiginton 7th grade

Treasure: Garret Marcoulier 7th grade

Historian: Sayge Pereira 8th grade

Congratulations to all of you and may you make this a great year at Applegate School!

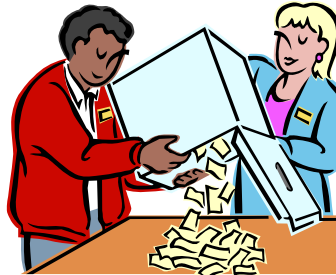
Art Club

Art Club will begin on October 9th. Art Club is only offered to grades 4 & 5 and permission slips have been given out. Please return them a.s.a.p. as there is a limited amount in this club also.

PTSG Officer Elections MTG

Parent-Teachers-Group

If you would like to be a part of this group, please come to this meeting to elect officers on October 4, 2012 at 2:45 pm.



Boys Basketball

All boys interested in playing basketball need to check with Punky in the front office for paperwork and see if your physical is current. All paperwork must be in before you can practice which will begin by the end of October.

Important!

Please do not park in the bus area at anytime. The area along the front of the classrooms is designed for buses only. Thank You !!





APPLEGATE LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



OCTOBER NEWS

NEW BOOKS!

We have 88 new books in the Library !

Our Scholastic Book Fair last fall was a huge success, raising over \$800 towards new library books for the Library!!

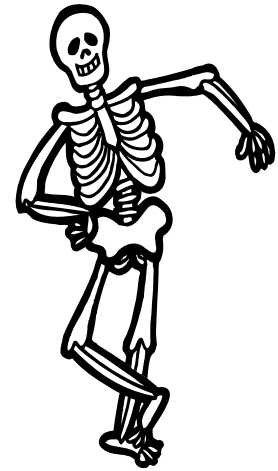
Our student-generated “Library Book Wish List” supplied me with some great titles of books to purchase , making it possible to buy books by favorite authors our students wanted to read. I urge students to add titles of great books they have read to this list. It is hanging beside the “NEW BOOKS” shelving in the Library.

We also had some very generous donations of very lightly used books—many thanks to the Lowry, Hartford, Kappen, Lucrezi, and Burstein families!

ONGOING LIBRARY PROJECTS

I am in the process of labeling, and updating, the AR labels on all the books in the library with color-coded labels by reading level. This ongoing project will make it easier for students to find books at their reading level at a glance.

I will also resume my library weeding project this winter, allowing our collection to be up-to-date and vital.



THE HUNGER GAMES SERIES..NOW AVAILABLE!

The Hunger Games books are now available for Middle School Checkout. I am requesting signed parental permission slips be submitted to me allowing students to check them out. Permission slips are available in the Library.