

WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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TO:	Three Rivers School District Board of Directors
FROM:	Williams Elementary School
	Principal, Stephanie Allen-Hart
RE:	Third Trimester Board Briefing
DATE:	June 14, 2011

ENROLLMENT

К	-	10
1	-	14
2	-	9
3	-	13
4	-	21
5	-	12
Total Current Enrollment		79

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS-21st Century Grant

Our third session of Afterschool Programs has come to an end. The Williams Afterschool Programs had a full year of early morning and afternoon homework help and academic enrichment. We ended our third session with activity classes such as cooking, beading, indoor and outdoor sports, board games, leather crafting, and gardening. As an extension to our Afterschool Programs, Williams Elementary will be offering two sessions of Summer School. Each session will run for two weeks. The first session in June will be an extension of the shortened school year and the second session will run in August and will give students a boost to start the new year.

MARCH

In the month of March students and families participated in our PBIS Family Reading night. In celebration of Dr. Suess' birthday students and family spent a fun evening listening to stories from story tellers at the Williams Branch Library, singing songs with the "Wacky Dog's of Williams", creating arts and crafts, and writing on the graffiti wall. Families were also treated to a spaghetti dinner. Students participated in the Science Fair at the District Office. On March 30th students tried out for a spot in the district wide spelling Bee.

APRIL

Students and staff at Williams Elementary were excited to have Artist in Residence Jill Fjeldheim return on April 18th through the 28th. Jill has performed internationally and conducted workshops in mime and physical comedy for children of all abilities. Jill uses techniques including: Characterization, pantomime, playwriting, slapstick, and improvisation to engage students to blossom and perform for their peers. Jill has performed with The American Mime Theatre in New York City, Ringling Bros. Circus, and Barnum & Bailey Circus. Locally she has collaborated with ScienceWorks in Ashland to create performances and workshops that teach science using creative movement and circus arts. Family and friends were invited to a final "Showcase Performance" on Thursday, February 28th at 12:30pm in the gym, staring all students.

Representing Williams Elementary, students in Mrs. Wardle's and Mrs. Bingham's classes participated in the district's battle of the books on April 23rd. Third and fourth grade students in both classes tied for third place in the level one competition. Student in Mrs. Bingham's 4/5 grade class received first place in the level two competition.

MAY

May was a busy month for students and staff at Williams Elementary. Students participated in field trips to ScienceWorks in Ashland, the Grants Pass High School Performing Arts Center, and OMSI. On May 13th classes took turns viewing the stars with the Planetarium. On May 19th Williams School honored our volunteers with a tea, poems, and songs. We had our annual Kindergarten Round-Up. In the evening Williams Strings Program presented the annual end of the year concert in the school gymnasium. The purpose of this concert was to showcase the talented violin and guitar students and recognize their efforts. In addition to our strings concert, with the help of Jim Kriz our Title One Coordinator, all students in grades K-5th joined the strings classes in singing some traditional folk songs. On May 20th students celebrated PBIS with science teacher John Salinas and his students from Rogue Community College with an all school Science Day. May was also spent finishing up OAKs and DIBELS.

<u>JUNE</u>

On June 7th students participated in a PBIS end of the year play day featuring the "Dragon" jump house and a BBQ. On June 9th during our end of the year awards ceremony, Williams Elementary honored our 5th grade and Kindergarten graduates. Students were also recognized for their attendance, Accelerated Reading, Academic Excellence, and Lifeskills.

PBIS

Students continue to receive Dutch dollars for their continued perfect attendance. Every two weeks two new student names are drawn for a weekly chance to win \$5.00 in Dutch dollars for their families.