## **Applegate School**

Home of the COUGARS!

Report to the School Board

## April 2015

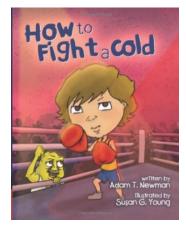


**Super Spellers On to District!** – Applegate spelling champions will compete at the district level next after winning their school competitions. Congratulations to

Laura Kliewer who won the Primary Division, Carlen Nielsen who conquered h/her peers in Division One, and also to Division Two winners Jasmine Williams and Caitlyn Rabjohn!



**Rocks and Planets** – Students grades 2-5 visited the Crater Rock Museum and the North Medford Planetarium April 8. This full day field trip supports science instruction, and gives our teachers and students a chance to do some further learning hands on!



**Author Visit a Success** - Applegate students grades K-3 were enthralled by author Adam T. Newman's personal story telling and the interactive reading of his book "How to Fight a Cold".

Newman is a children's book author whose childhood consisted of sports, reading comic books and playing with action figures.

Newman worked for film studios as an art director and graphic designer. He is also the recipient of the prestigious "World's Greatest Dad" award which was presented by his two wonderful kids in the form of a t-shirt. Students in many cities have enjoyed Newman's visits!



## Parent-Teacher Group On to New Projects

**PTSG Sets Sights on End of Year Activities** – End of year events the PTSG group will undertake include a fun raising movie night, support for Teacher Appreciation Week, and the end of the year field day.

The Applegate PTSG continues to serve actively. In the lead is Seana Hodge, who has organized an amazing group of parents who step up

to the plate time and time again. Parents like Casey Embury, Sadie Emmons, Mikell Nielsen, Cathy Kliewer, Nikki Elmore, Tyler Van Buskirk, and Maggie Lowry have spent countless hours organizing events, raising money, and all the while being top quality parents in support of their children's education.



**Charlotte's Web Presented in Grants Pass** – Applegate students attended California Theatre Center's production of Charlotte's Web April 13 at the GPHS Performing Arts Center. This wonderful play allowed our students to witness top-flight theater in a great venue!



Caterpillar from Pacifica Visits Applegate School - The Caterpillar visited Applegate April 9th. The Caterpillar is a unique mobile science and nature center in a 32 foot trailer (with antennae and eyes added to the front)

provided by **Pacifica: A Garden in the Siskiyous** located in Williams. The organization has been taking hands-on science to Southern Oregon elementary schools in Josephine and Jackson Counties for over ten years, **involving up to 9,500 kids and adults per year**!

Fridays are school spirit days at Applegate, when students wear Blue and White, the colors of the <u>COUGARS!</u>

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