

# Williams Elementary School Newsletter

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## April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7 Vision Screening	8	9
10	11 Spring Session Afterschool Programs Begin	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Artist in Residence Jill Fjeldheim	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Artist in Residence Showcase	29 Cut Day No School	30



"April Showers bring May Flowers"



# Facts of the Day For April

Thank you for supporting our students by quizzing your child(ren) on the Facts of the Day.

Facts of the Day for April:

Date	+ Fact	x Fact
4/1	3+9	6x3
4/4	5+7	7x4
4/5	4+8	9x6
4/6	4+9	7x3
4/7	6+7	8x4
4/8	5+8	8x7
4/11	5+9	8x3
4/12	6+8	9x4
4/13	6+9	9x7
4/14	7+8	9x3
4/15	7+9	4x3
4/18	5+6	8x6
4/19	9+8	6x7
4/20	7+4	9x8
4/21	8+3	4x6
4/22	9+3	3x6
4/25	7+5	4x7
4/26	8+4	6x9
4/27	9+4	3x7
4/28	7+6	4x8
4/29	No School (Cut Day)	



Spring has sprung, there's work to be done!

## ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Jill Fjeldheim

Students and staff at Williams Elementary are 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 are invited to a final "Showcase Performance" on Thursday, February 28th at 12:30pm in the gym, staring all students.



## SPRING SESSION AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

The Spring Afterschool Session will begin on Monday, April 11th, and run through Thursday, May 19, 2011. Sign-ups have already gone home and should be returned to the office as soon as possible to reserve your students spot in a class. Classes available include: Gardening, indoor/outdoor sports, games, beading, and cooking.

## SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION

This year's summer school will run in two sessions. The first session which will be an extension of our school year will begin on Monday, June 21st, and run through Thursday, June 30, 2011. The second session will be a jump start to the 2011/2012 school year and begin on Monday, August 1st, and run through Thursday, August 11, 2011. Summer school will run from 8:30am to 1:30pm Monday through Thursday. A hot breakfast and lunch will be served. Students will spend a portion of their day on academics and another on activities. Sign ups will begin in May. Students may sign up for one or both sessions. Please call the office for further information at 541-846-7224.

## FAMILY READING NIGHT AND SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

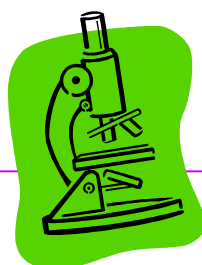
Thanks to all who contributed and participated in our annual Book Fair sponsored by Scholastic Books. The library was able to acquire approximately \$400.00 worth of new books. Despite economic conditions, cut school days, and snow days during the fair, we are certainly counting the fair as a success!



Williams Elementary has upgraded our Accelerated Reader Program! Students now have an unlimited resource of titles available to take AR test and earn points for reading. Parents can now track your students AR progress online. You will receive a letter with your personal username and ID to log on to the Renaissance Place Learning site to access your student's AR information. Another valuable website is [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com). This useful site can help you and your student look for AR titles at your leisure. This can be helpful when looking for a book to read at the public library or as a gift idea as well. Take some time and check this site out!

## SCIENCE FAIR

Williams Elementary would like to recognize "**Parker Scaroni**" for his participation in this years district science fair. Parker's experiment was the only entry from Williams Elementary School. Thank you for your hard work and determination! Good job Parker!



## SHORT STORIES FROM MRS. WARDLE'S CLASS



(A tall tale about how the sun was made.)

### The Sun

by Josh Saunders 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Have you ever thought how there came to be the sun? Here's a legend and I believe it. In a town where food did not grow, it was dark, dark, dark, so dark that the only lights were the moon and the town lights. The town was called Sun. The name came from their relative Sun. The worst part of living in Sun was the dragon. It was as high as 200 hay bales stacked on top of each other! When he got mad he would blow fire everywhere down on Sun. Boom!! Fire was everywhere!

A year later a 22 year old man named Julio came to town.

"You are going to help us whether you like it or not!" said the townspeople.

"Fine, I'll help you. So what do I have to do?" asked Julio.

"Fight a dragon," said the townspeople.

"What do you think I am, a knight in shining armor?" said Julio.

"We will pay you 3,000 pieces of gold," said the townspeople.

"Deal," said Julio.

Julio went up to the dragon's cave and said, "Your dinner is here!"

"Roar!!" yelled the dragon. "What? Where is my dinner?"

Julio jumped on the dragon. Knocked over, the dragon started to blow fire up in the air like fireworks. But it went higher and higher and higher until it hit a meteor and exploded. It was so hot that the dragon shriveled up.

"Yeah!!" said the townspeople. "You may have your gold and you may name the hot ball in the sky."

"I want to name that thing Sun because our town is named it." And that's how the sun became the sun.

(If a friend got a new pet, what would you tell her?)

### Horse Facts

by Hannah Crites

Dear Kami,

I have some advice for you about that horse you are getting. Feed it 2 times a day, only one flake. A flake is 1 part that falls off of the bale. Do not feed it alfalfa without water or it will colic and die. If it does colic, do not let it lay down. Give it mineral oil and Vanatene. You can get it at the Grange in Grants Pass. Give it water if it is low. If you don't have a hose to reach it, bring buckets of water until it is full.

Clean the stall pen or pasture if it is dirty. If you have goats you can put them in with the horse because horses and goats are good friends. You are going to need a halter, lead rope and brushes to help keep it clean and for walking it. You will also want some treats so if she has listened to you, you can give her one. If you ever give her two she has to do exactly what you say and be good about it.

I have told you all I know about horses.

From,  
Hannah



## **\$5 Dutch Bros for Attendance**

Congratulations to the parents of:

<b>Ericca Cottrell</b>	<b>1st grade</b>
<b>Ethan Reyes</b>	<b>Kindergarten</b>
<b>Summit Black-Lazo</b>	<b>4th grade</b>
<b>Sam Vidlak</b>	<b>2nd Grade</b>



**KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!!!!**

We would like to thank you for your part in getting your child to school each day!

### **Williams Elementary School Vision Statement**

**"Williams Elementary School is committed to creating a nurturing environment in which each child is encouraged to become a life long learner"**

**"April hath put a spirit of youth in everything"**  
**Williams Shakespeare**

