



MANZANITA ELEMENTARY

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To: Three Rivers School District Board of Directors
From: Jessica Durrant, Principal
Re: Trimester 1 Board Briefing
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As the first trimester draws to a close, I am amazed and in awe at the wonderful opportunities Manzanita students and staff have experienced thus far this school year. We truly are an "Outstanding" school! I am so proud of the accomplishments and energy that this list represents. We have had a great start to the school year and I am excited for the experiences our students will have the rest of the school year.

September –

- Book Fair sponsored by Manzanita PTA
- Field Trips to Crater Lake
- Jog-A-Thon fundraiser students raised money for classroom technology and PBIS
- Open House with BBQ Dinner and dessert for all families
- Fall School Pictures
- Late Start Professional Development – ~ All staff looked at AYP data from the last few years identifying areas of strength at Manzanita and areas for improvement.

October –

- Park Ranger from Oregon Caves visited our 4th grade classes
- 4th grade Field Trip to Oregon Caves, 2nd grades to Crater Rock Museum
- Manzanita Halloween Parade with classroom parties
- Parent Lunch
- Late Start Professional Development – ~ Certified staff worked on completing SafeSchools Lessons and working in grade level teams on curriculum development. Classified staff met with Jessica to review school policies and then received the annual OAKS training.
- Kindergarten, 1st grades & 3rd grades go to Ft. Vannoy Farms
- Students who raised over \$175.00 for the Jog-a-thon were treated to a "Fabulous Fun Friday" of staying the night at school, breaking all the school rules, pizza for dinner, a trip to Kid Zone and then to Dairy Queen.
- Lunch was provided for a 2nd grade class that brought in the most money for the jog-a-thon!
- Peg Cowens (District Math Coach) and Tim Mohr (School Math Coach) worked with several grade level teams on best practice for math instruction

November –

- Licensed staff development time spent time exploring technology uses in the classroom and working with classified aides in their room
- Parent Thanksgiving Lunch
- Kim Sutton, Math Teacher and expert on student engagement worked with the students in the classroom while teachers observed her in action. She also led the teachers in a workshop to create more hands-on activities in the room that will lead to increased student comprehension.
- Classified staff development time spent on active supervision, computer skills (Word, Outlook), and technology uses in the classroom
- Rogue Valley Symphony Chamber Players performed for 3rd & 5th grades
- Parent Help Night for math led by Kim Sutton

I know 2nd Trimester will bring additional activities and happenings at Manzanita. You are always welcome to any of Manzanita's events and I look forward to seeing you soon!