

Manzanita Messenger

Upcoming Events

December 1- PTA Meeting
2:00 PM & 5:30

December 10- Food Drive

December 10- 3rd grade
Indian Presentation 12:45

December 16- Holiday
Lunch

December 16- Site Council

December 17- PTA Movie
Night 6pm

December 21- January 1-
No School- Winter Break

January 4- Classes
Resume

January 6- Kids Smile



Thoughts from the Principal,
Dear Manzanita Families-

Happy December!

It is amazing to me that we are sending out the December newsletter already – it feels like the first third of the year passed by so quickly! November is always a busy time for our students and staff as we balance the short weeks and work hard to prepare for conferences. Thank you for attending conferences and taking time out of your busy schedules to come in and meet with your child's teacher. Being an active part of your child's learning is so important in helping them achieve their individual goals. We take pride in the quality of education we deliver here at Manzanita and look forward to working with you for the remainder of the school year. Partnering towards a common goal will certainly help your child succeed.

Attendance is an important part of building school success and it helps teach responsibility. Please do your part and minimize elective absences whenever possible. Also, we have had a lot of students showing up late to school. Please help us by making sure your student is to school on time. When they enter the classroom late, it disrupts the lesson and puts the student in an awkward position as everyone turns to look at them. Please make certain that your child is at school by the first bell at 7:35. If you want to avoid the worst of the morning traffic, you can drop your child off as early as 7:15. They can report to the cafeteria/ gymnasium where they will be served breakfast and supervised until the bell rings.

I am happy to announce that Mrs. Hegdahl is back and filling our students with a love of music. Due to the delay in the starting of music this year we will hold our first music performance in February instead of December. We thank you all for understanding and supporting our music program.

On behalf of our entire Manzanita Team I would like to wish all of our Manzanita families a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope your winter break is filled with time with family and friends. May 2016 bring you all good health and much happiness.

Renee Hults

Lost and Found

The weather is getting colder and the Lost and Found is overflowing. If your child is missing a jacket or sweatshirt, please stop by the office or check the lost and found table in front of the cafeteria.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS ALL DAY * EVERY DAY

School starts at 7:40 am. It is imperative for students to be in school on time, all day. Being tardy or leaving school early can have a negative impact on learning. Thank you for supporting your child's education by making every effort to schedule appointments outside of school time and only keep them home from school when they are sick or in emergency situations.

Holiday Lunch

Manzanita will be having their December Holiday Lunch on December 16. Please make your reservations by December 11. Due to the volume of guests at this function, we need to have reservations in advance. If you miss making a reservation, you are still welcome to come visit with your child and bring your own lunch. We hope to see you here enjoying time with your students.



POLAR EXPRESS

Thursday, December 17 Manzanita PTA will be having a free showing of the Polar Express. Doors open at 5:30 and the movie will start at 6pm. Snacks will be available for purchase for \$1.00

Family Advocate

BRRR! It's cold outside. It's the time of year to take it easy, drive slower, keep those mittens handy and sit by a warm fire. Thank you all for your food donations to our pantry in November. The food donated goes to our kids at Manzanita. The last Food Drive for 2015 is Thursday, December 10, please mark your calendar. Our clothes closet needs size 8 boys pants. We also need clean used or new shoes and belts for boys and girls.

May your home be warm with heat, laughter and goodwill through the holidays and winter months.

Peace and Joy to All,
Janet Hudson/ Family Advocate.



Adverse Weather Conditions

The icy cold weather is here! The school district will use the "Synrevoice" communication system to notify all parents via phone and/or email of delayed starts or school closures. Synrevoice will start calling at about 5:30am. You must say "Hello" in order to activate the message. If you have not received an automated phone call or email this school year, please check with the office to verify your phone numbers and email addresses are correct. In the event of adverse weather conditions parents are advised to tune in to Radio Stations KRWQ, KAJQ, KLDR, KBOY and TV Stations KOB1 (5), KDRV (12), KTVL (10) or the 3 Rivers School District Web Page.

MANZANITA WEBSITE

Check out Manzanita's website. If you go to www.threerivers.k12.or.us, select schools, select Manzanita. You can view school News, newsletters, and upcoming events. The classroom pages have information and email links to the teachers.

CHECK US OUT!