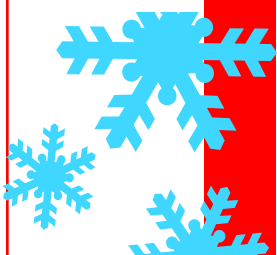




# FLEMING NEWS



## JANUARY 2013

Greetings,

As we approach the middle of the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester I would like to take the opportunity to remind you of a few important items regarding student progress and conferences. With our move to “proficiency based learning” students need to be reminded that there are frequent opportunities to make up or retake assessments during intramural times and after school. Each grade level provides students with the opportunity to come in during their intramural time for assistance and retakes at least 4 days per week.

Also, on Tuesdays and Thursdays we have our after school tutoring available and on Wednesdays we have a “homework help” time where students have a place to complete assignments with teachers assisting. These programs run from the end of school until 5:20 pm and are dependent upon our activity bus schedule. We have experienced that those students who utilize this time have a greater chance of keeping up on work and also performing better on assessments.

We will be hosting our winter conferences on Feb 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> with our usual format, offering arena conferencing each evening with prearranged staffings during the day. If you would like to schedule a “staffing” conference please notify our office as soon as possible to be placed into the schedule. Those spots fill fast and any additional openings are filled on a first come first serve basis after our teacher initiated requests are scheduled.

Lastly, I would like to request that you help us to impress upon your student the importance of performing their best on the upcoming OAKS state assessment. Their performance on these tests, taken in reading, math, science and writing, will have a significant bearing on their academic future. It is necessary to instill the importance of achievement at all times but please help us emphasize to them that building the necessary skills to perform well now will make it easier for them in high school. It will also be beneficial that passing the state assessment in high school will be a requirement in order to obtain a diploma.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact my office at 541-476-8284.

Thank you.

John George  
Principal



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Conferences	4:30pm-7:00pm	<b>2/6/13</b>
Conferences ~ NO SCHOOL	4:30pm-7:00pm	<b>2/7/13</b>
Immunization Exclusion Day		<b>2/15/13</b>
Presidents Day ~ NO SCHOOL		<b>2/18/13</b>
PTO Sub-Committee Meeting—Moving On Dance 5:30pm		<b>2/19/13</b>
After School Dance	3:20pm-5:10pm	<b>2/28/13</b>

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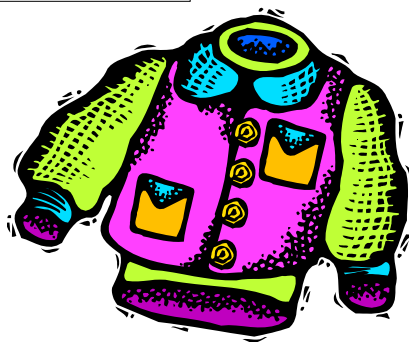
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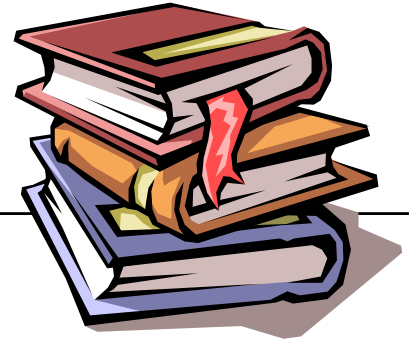
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## LOST & FOUND

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Tom Hill  
Owner

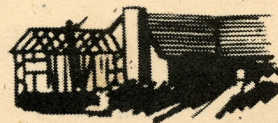
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Greetings from the Athletic Department,

As we return from our holiday break, Fleming Middle School is a very busy place. We have new students arriving weekly, and we have needed said goodbye to a few of our families as they have moved out of the area. With all of this change, I want to take a minute and remind all members of the Fleming family of the extracurricular offerings available.

Currently we have Damian McLean and Greg McLean back with us again this year to coach our wrestling program. Fleming hosted four schools on Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> to start the wrestling schedule and our kids did GREAT. Anyone still interested in participating is invited to come into my office get signed up. There is still a great amount of the season left, come out and cheer on our wrestlers.

We have a couple of familiar faces returning this year to coach our girls' basketball programs. Our eighth grader team is being coached by Terry Mathews. Terry has many, many years of coaching experience and we could not be happier with his decision to return to the hardwoods. Nicole Kersten is once again coaching our seventh grade team. Both teams were victorious in their opening games.

As we continue to move through the remainder of our winter sports season, we are keeping an eye out for the start of our spring sports season...Track and Field. Track and Field is available to all three grade levels as we continue to aspire to the rich tradition of Fleming Track. Although our coaching staff is not completely set, we are working diligently to make sure we have the personnel in place to offer another great season of competition.

As always, if you have any questions and / or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office directly.

Thank you and best of luck to all of our participants.

Go Rogues!

Mark Higgins  
Assistant Principal / Athletic Director

## **ATTENTION PARENTS OF 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS**

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Oregon Law added new requirements for immunizations as of the 2008/2009 school year. All 7<sup>th</sup> graders who have not met the requirements need to have one additional vaccine or an appropriate medical or religious exemption prior to the exclusion date in February. Please check your students records to be sure he/she has the following:

### **Tdap Vaccine – 1 dose**

Your student will need one dose of Tdap if it has been at least 5 years since receiving their last DTaP vaccine. All updated information should be sent to Fleming Middle School. Please call (541) 476-8284 if we can be of any assistance or answer any questions for you.

Thank you for your attention to this.



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# NEWS

Fleming has an AMAZING Brain Bowl team this year. Brain Bowl is a competitive academic team (similar to the basketball or football team). For 8 weeks (from January to March) we compete in weekly matches against schools in the Grants Pass/Medford area. Some of the matches are home, some are away.

This year we have 21 very ambitious 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders participating. We have built a very successful Brain Bowl program at Fleming Middle School. Last year we made it to the semi-finals for Southern Oregon. Two years ago we were the Southern Oregon Brain Bowl Champions. The kids are dedicated, the coach is dedicated, the administration is 100% supportive of this fine program.

We are currently 1-1 in Brain Bowl action. We lost our first match to North Middle School but came back and won a decisive victory against Rogue River. We are ready to go and having a great time. The Brain Bowl team is coached by Yvonne Hughes.

**THANK YOU PTO FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**



## AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

FMS would like to congratulate those students that recently participated in the Three Rivers School District American Mathematics Competition. For a number of years now the district has been offering this competition and Fleming students have always performed exceptionally. All students participating in this competition must meet stringent entry requirements and criteria in order to do so. This year, 26 8<sup>th</sup> grade students participated and Fleming once again walked away as the winner of the competition between our four middle schools. In addition, a number of students received personal awards for their performance on the assessment. Congratulations to the following:

### Gold Medal Winners

Kaitlyne Pursell

Seth Devlin

### Silver Medal Winners

Mike Bishir

Clay Clarkin

Daniel Crawford

### Bronze Medal Winners

Megan Hoback

Benjamin Givens

Noah Brosio

Great job to those listed and congratulations that all that participated!

Sabrina Trimble

**GO ROGUES!!**

Jack Garmendia

# PTO NEWS

The school year is passing by quickly! We will begin planning the events scheduled for the rest of the school year by having sub-committee meetings this month instead of our regular PTO meeting.

If you are interested in planning the **8<sup>th</sup> grade dance & moving on ceremony**, there will be a sub-committee meeting Tuesday February 19<sup>th</sup> in the library at 5:30. If you cannot make this meeting but would like to help, please contact Rebecca Taormino at [beccat1966@hotmail.com](mailto:beccat1966@hotmail.com).

If you are interested in helping with the **Jog-A-Thon**, scheduled for Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be a sub-committee meeting Thursday February 21<sup>st</sup> in the library at 3:20. If you cannot make this meeting but would like to help, please contact Lorrie Pursell at [lpursell@pclpartnership.org](mailto:lpursell@pclpartnership.org).

The Student Store continues to be open to the students every Tuesday and Wednesday throughout the school year. It's a great opportunity to be on campus, while helping out too! If you have questions or would like to help, please contact Marina Marschall at [marina.marschall@verizon.net](mailto:marina.marschall@verizon.net).

### Upcoming Meeting Dates are:

- Tues. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance & Moving on Ceremony Sub-committee Meeting
- Thursday Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> – Jog-A-Thon Sub-committee Meeting
- Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup>- Regular PTO Meeting

**”Like” Fleming Middle School PTA on **Facebook** so you’ll always be aware of upcoming meetings & the latest school news.**

**\*If you cannot attend meetings but would like to receive the minutes via e-mail please contact this years’ PTO President,  
Mary Jane Taylor at 541-956-6960 or [bamjtay@charter.net](mailto:bamjtay@charter.net)**



# FLEMING SPORTS AND

## SPORTS

### TRACK

- \* Sign ups begin the Middle of February
- \* Practice begins March 4
- \* Open to all grade levels; 6th, 7th, and 8th.
- \* No one is cut from track
- \* Fee—\$75.00
- \* Please get all paper-

### 6th Graders

Track is one of three sports available to Fleming 6th graders.

If you are planning on going out for track please pick up the paper work in the office and get a physical scheduled. You must have a physical before you can practice!

## PTO PROJECTS

## GO ROGUES

HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE FLEMING JOG-A-THON !

**DATE: APRIL 19, 2013**

**WHERE: FLEMING MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK**

**Contact Person: Lorri Pursell**

**Phone: 541-659-5194**

**Email: lpursell@pclpartnership.org**



## MOVING ON CEREMONY & 8TH GRADE

**CALLING ALL INTERESTED 8TH GRADE PARENTS!**

**All persons interested in helping with the planning and set-up of the 8th grade dance and/or the refreshments for the MOVING ON CEREMONY please contact Rebecca Taormino.**

**@**

**Email: becca11966@hotmail.com**

**Or contact the Fleming Office**

## SPORTS PHYSICAL CONTACTS

- Josephine County Health Dept.—541-474-5325 to make an appointment. Cost is \$25  
Physicals are only scheduled on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month. Dimmick & A St.
- Dr. Adam Hendy—541-476-0662 to make appointment. Cost is \$25  
1873 Williams Hwy., Suite 1B, Grants Pass
- Valley Immediate Care—541-479-1090. Cost is \$40 (they do not take OHP)  
162 NE Beacon Dr., Grants Pass



# FLEMING MIDDLE SCHOOL WRESTLING 2013

1-18-2013

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>DEPARTURE</u>
Wednesday, Jan. 23	@ Home vs. Rogue River, Shady Cove, Lincoln Savage, Talent	4:00pm	
Thursday, Jan. 31	Fleming, Scenic @ Hedrick	4:30pm	Depart 3:00
Tuesday, Feb.5	Fleming, Jo Lane (Roseburg) @ South Middle	4:30 pm	Depart 3:30
<b><u>NO RETURN BUS</u></b>			
<b><u>Tuesday, Feb. 12</u></b>	<b><u>TEAM PICTURES at the beginning of practice</u></b>		
Thursday, Feb. 14	Fleming, Butte Falls @ White Mountain	4:30 pm	Depart 3:00
Thursday, Feb.21	Fleming, Lincoln Savage, @ Lorna Byrne	4:30 pm	Depart 3:00
Saturday, Feb. 23	Conference Tournament		
	Location - Grants Pass High School		

**Reminder:** All spectators must "root" for their team or the opposing team in a *positive manner*. Negative comments about the opposing team or negative comments directed at the referees could be grounds for removal from the facility. Let's all remember that this is Middle School Sports and we are all just beginners doing our best.

**No Smoking anywhere on the school grounds.**

**Please sit in the bleachers.**

**Our campus is closed at 4:00 pm. All students must remain in the gym.**

**HELP! Please contact Pam Kudlac ( in the office) if you are willing to work one of the two scoring tables at our home meets. We need someone to record the scoring on our score sheet, someone to flip the score cards, timers to tap officials at the end of each round (basically a mat person). We need help with set up and clean up!**

**We have only one home meet so please come and enjoy the fun!**





# Fleming Middle School

## 2013 Girls' Basketball Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>DEPARTURE</u>
Monday, January 28	Scenic @ Home	4:00	
Wednesday, January 30	Fleming @ Rogue River	4:30	Depart @ 3:30
	Game played at Rogue River Elementary		
Monday, Feb. 4	White Mountain (2) @ Home	4:00	
Tuesday, Feb. 5	South @ Home	4:00	
Monday, Feb. 11	Fleming @ Lorna Byrne	4:30	Depart @ 3:00
<b><u>Tuesday, Feb. 12</u></b>	<b><u>TEAM PICTURES in the gym at the beginning of practice</u></b>		
Wednesday, Feb. 13	Hanby @ Home	4:00	
Thursday, Feb. 14	Fleming @ North	4:30	Depart @ 3:30
	<b><u>NO RETURN BUS</u></b>		
Tuesday, Feb. 19	Hedrick 1 @ Home	4:15	
Wednesday, Feb. 20	Fleming @ White Mt.	4:30	Depart @ 3:00
Monday, Feb. 25	Talent (1) @ Home	4:00	
Wednesday, Feb. 27	Fleming @ Lincoln Savage	4:00	Depart @ 3:00

7<sup>th</sup> Grade games will go first on Mondays and Tuesdays, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade games will go first on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

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# Program To Help Families In Transition

Dear parents/Guardians,

I am Kathleen Fain, the Family Advocate for Fleming Middle School. The purpose of the Family Advocate is to help students overcome barriers to success. I will try to help students acquire jackets, clothing, school supplies, hygiene supplies, glasses, dental appointments, haircuts, etc. I will also advocate for students: For example, helping them get testing or counseling, acquiring birth certificates, and other related services.

In addition, there is a federal law called the McKinney-Vento Act which gives additional assistance to students that meet the federal definitions of "homeless" which include:

- Living in a home with no heat or running water
- Staying with friends or other relatives due to economic hardships or loss of housing
- Fleeing a domestic violence situation
- Living in a car, van, bus, tent or other non-permanent structure

Living in one of the above situations may also entitle a student to:

Transportation to their home school should homelessness require a move

Immediate enrollment, even if there are issues, such as not having in hand:

A birth certificate(s) for the child(ren)

Immunizations forms

Please help me identify any students with specific needs that may be in your care. Do you have a student that



may benefit from the services listed above? If so, please list the student's name and specific needs.

**Please return this portion to Fleming Middle School**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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