

MANZANITA CAT TRACKS

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What's Coming up...

- 1st 4th grade class room visitation
Oregon Caves park ranger
- 2nd Progress reports go home
M/W Kindergarten Day
- 6th Site Council meeting 2:15 p.m.
- 7th Good News begins 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- 9th NO SCHOOL in-service day
- 16th M/W Kindergarten Day
- 19th P.T.A. Meeting 2:15 p.m.
- 20th Parent Lunch- See flyer in newsletter for
information
- 21st Ms. Petersen's class to Oregon Caves
7:45-1:45 p.m.
- 23rd Ms. Cook & Mrs. Chamberlain to Oregon
Caves 7:45-1:45 p.m.
T/R Kindergarten Day
- 28th Ms. Steimer & Mr. Mohr's M/W
Kindergarten class to Pumpkin Patch
Jacksonville
Picture re-take day all grades
- 29th Mrs. Cowie & Mr. Mohr's T/R class to
Pumpkin Patch Jacksonville
- 30th TWO HOUR Late start 9:40 a.m.
M/W Kindergarten day

Watch for more information coming home
from your child's teacher on Halloween parties.

SCHOOL HOURS

7:40 a.m. - 1:55 p.m.
Office Hours 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

November Events

- 1st Daylight Saving time ends-Set the
clocks back one hour.
- 6th T/R Kindergarten Day
- 11th Veteran's Day NO SCHOOL
- 13th M/W Kindergarten Day
- 20th LATE START School begins at 9:40 a.m.
End of 1st trimester
T/R Kindergarten Day
- 23rd-27th NO SCHOOL Clerical Days/Budget
reduction days/ Thanksgiving Holidays



Thank You

Thank You to our Manzanita Parent Teacher Association for the Scholastic Book Fair. Our library gained \$1083.00 worth of new titles from the fair. Lots of volunteer hours went into getting the book fair here for our open house night.

Thank You PTA!
to all of you!

Check out our library
website

at: www.threerivers.k12.or.us/Page.asp?NavID=2959



TITLE ONE

Our school receives federal funds for Title One programs that are part of the No Child Left Behind Act. Throughout the school year, we will continue to provide you with important information about this law and your child's education.

You have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher. When you request this information, the district will provide you with this information in a timely manner. You have the right to request the following information.

A. If the teacher has met state licensing requirements for the grade level and subjects in which the teacher is providing instruction.

B. If the teacher is teaching under an emergency status for which state licensing requirements have been waived.

C. The type of college degree and major of the teacher and the field of discipline for any graduate degrees and certificates.

D. If your child is receiving Title One services from Para-professionals and, if so, his/her qualification.

If you would like this information, please contact the school.

Education of All Disabled Children/Young Adults

Public Law 105.17 know as I.D.E.A. (Individualized Disability Education Act) requires that school districts provide a free and appropriate education to all disabled children/young adults ages 0 to 21.

Three Rivers School District requests the identification of any disabled children/young adults between the ages of 0 to 21, who are not enrolled or currently being served by the district school.

If you know of any disabled children/young adults between the ages of 1 to 21 who are not receiving educational services, please call the Special Education Department of the Three Rivers School District. The phone number is 862-3111.

LUNCH PRICES:

Lunch	1.85
Milk	.50
Parent Lunches	\$3.25

Perfect Attendance Incentive Program

Each month students will be awarded for perfect attendance.

Perfect attendance qualifies as; no absences, no tardies, and not being checked out early.

Remember....a child is tardy if they check in after 7:40 a.m.

PARENT REMINDERS

If your child is absent please notify the school office by 8:00 a.m.

There is an answering machine for early callers.

Please state your child's name, teacher and reason for absence.

If your child is to go home with a friend, we need notes from both sets of parents.

This way we know everyone involved is aware.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

HOMEWORK

We appreciate you making an effort to keep your child caught up with his/her schoolwork when your child needs to stay home because of illness.

If it is necessary to seek classroom assignments for your child, please notify the office before making contact with the teacher. The teacher needs time to gather the appropriate assignments.

If you call in the morning before 8:30 a.m., the work will be ready for you after 2:35 p.m. that afternoon. If you call later than 8:30 a.m. in the morning, the assignments will be ready the following morning.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Remember to pick up the requested assignment and be sure your child turns their assignment in when they return to school.

SCHOOL - PARENT COMPACT

This compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students of Manzanita School will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

This school-parent compact is in effect during school year 2009-2010.

School Responsibilities

Manzanita Elementary School will:

Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards.

- Quality instruction and programs in reading and mathematics
- Appropriate and effective remedial programs in basic skills
- Individualized assessment and instruction as necessary
- A staff committed to meeting the needs of the whole child

Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:

- December 2 and 3, 2009
- March 17 and 18, 2010

Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:

- Progress Reports.
- Monthly School Newsletters
- Classroom Newsletters
- Classroom Progress Reports

Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:

- Parents may call to schedule appointments at any time.
- Class hours are from 7:40 AM until 1:55 PM daily.

Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:

- Parents are encouraged to volunteer and be active members of the school community. Please call your child's teacher to find out about how you may best offer your time and services.

Parent Responsibilities

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- Monitoring attendance.
- Making sure that homework is completed.
- Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.

Student Responsibilities

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need to.
- Give to my parents or the adult who is responsible for my welfare all notices and information received by me from my school every day.

PACTO: ESCUELA-PADRES DE FAMILIA

Este pacto indica como los padres, el personal de escuela y los alumnos de la Primaria Manzanita compartirán la responsabilidad de mejorar los logros académicos, y medios bajo los cuales escuela-padres de familia, desarrollarán una sociedad que permitirá que los niños obtengan los niveles estatales más altos.

Este pacto escuela-padres de familia será efectivo por el año escolar 2009-2010.

Responsabilidades de La Escuela

La escuela:

Proporcionará plan de estudio e instrucción de calidad en un ambiente de apoyo efectivo, que permitirá a los niños alcanzar logros académicos requeridos por el estado.

- Instrucciones y programas de calidad en lectura y matemáticas
- Apoyo apropiado y efectivo para el programa correctivo de habilidad básica
- Evaluaciones individuales e instrucción necesaria
- Personal cometido a alcanzar las necesidades del alumno

Mantener conferencias de maestro-padre de familia (mínimo una vez por año en las primarias) durante los cuales el pacto será discutido, relacionado con cada niño individualmente. Las conferencias se llevarán a cabo:

- Diciembre 2 y 3 de 2009
- Marzo 17 y 18 de 2010

Proporcionará a padres de familia con frecuentes reportes de los progresos de sus niños, especialmente la escuela proporcionará los reportes de la siguiente manera:

- Reporte de progresos
- Noticias escolares informativas (cada mes)
- Noticias de clases informativas
- Reporte de progreso a nivel grado o clase

Proporcionará a los padres con un acceso razonable al personal.

- Padres de familia pueden hablar a cualquier hora y solicitar una cita.
- Horario de clases diario es de 7:40 a.m. a 1:55 p.m.

Proporcionará a padres con trabajo voluntario y participativo en las clases de sus hijos, y observar las actividades de la clase de la siguiente manera:

- Padres de familia están invitados a ser voluntarios y miembros activos de la comunidad escolar. Por favor hable al maestro/a de su hijo/a para saber cual es la mejor manera de ofrecer su tiempo y servicios.

Responsabilidades de Los Padres de Familia

Nosotros los padres apoyaremos el aprendizaje de nuestros hijos de la siguiente manera:

- Monitoreando asistencia
- Asegurándonos que las tareas estén completas
- Manteniéndonos informados acerca de la educación de nuestros hijos, y comunicándonos con la escuela al leer noticias a información enviada por la escuela o el distrito escolar, ya sea mandada por correo o por medio del alumno y respondiendo apropiadamente.

Responsabilidad del Alumno

Nosotros los estudiantes compartiremos la responsabilidad de mejorar el nivel académico y llegar a los niveles más altos del estado. Especialmente:

- Haré mi tarea cada día y pediré ayuda de ser necesario
- Entregaré todo tipo de información que haya recibido de la escuela para mis padres o tutores.

September 23, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you may know, flu is already spreading easily from person to person in our county, and school-age children are among the groups most affected. We are taking steps to prevent the spread of flu at Manzanita Elementary. Currently, the number of students who are experiencing flu-like symptoms is increasing at our school. We want to keep the school open and functioning as normal for our students, and we need your help to do this.

The Three Rivers School District is working closely with the Josephine County Health Department and the Grants Pass School District to monitor flu conditions in our county and to make decisions about the best steps to take. We need your help in reminding your child to do the following things so that we can stop the spread of germs:

Wash your hands often using soap and water.

Cover your mouth and nose with tissue when coughing and sneezing. Throw used tissues into the trash and then wash your hands.

Cough into your sleeve.

Stay home if you are sick and stay away from others as much as possible.

Keep children home if they are sick or have the symptoms listed below.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention defines an influenza-like illness as having the following symptoms:

Fever of 100° degrees Fahrenheit or higher

AND

ONE or MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: Cough Sore throat Headache Muscle ache

If your child shows flu-like symptoms while at school, he or she will be sent to the office for screening (symptom check and/or taking temperature). If the student meets the definition as described above, he/she must be excluded from school until symptom free. This means that your child will not be allowed back in school or to participate in extra-curricular activities until 24 hours after the fever is gone (without the use of fever reducing medications).

Thank you for your help with this important matter.

Jessica Durrant,
Principal



**P.B.S. T-Shirts were given free to all students Friday, September 4th
If you need another one for any reason the cost will be \$6.50
Wear your shirts on Friday show your Mountain Lion Pride!**

REMINDER FOR LATE STARTS

**School begins at 9:40 a.m.
School end at 1:55 p.m.**

**October 30th—Two Hour Late Start
November 20th- Two Hour Late Start
January 29th—Two Hour Late Start
February 26th—Two Hour Late Start
March 12-th– Two Hour Late Start
April 30th-Two Hour Late Start
May 27th Two Hour Late Start**

BANKING DAY will be the last school day of the week

Parent Lunch October 20th

THANK YOU

Denna Gemini, Robin Lanham and Jennifer Bolen for volunteering your time helping our students look good on picture day. Your untiring volunteer time is greatly appreciated

THANK YOU

Bobby & Matt at Radio Shack in Grants Pass made it possible for Manzanita to purchase all the receivers to finish our technology update to all the classrooms . Thank You !

SITE COUNCIL

The Site Council is a committee of staff and parents that serves as an advisory leadership team for Manzanita Elementary.

This year, parents are represented by:

- Lisa Kissel
- Nicole Whitcomb

Please call the Manzanita office for more information 479-6433



LAST MINUTE CHANGES

Please make arrangements for after school ahead of time by sending a not to the office or teachers. All changes must be made no later than 1:30 p.m. to make any necessary changes. Please contact the office if there is an emergency.

All our parent volunteers who showed up to volunteer their time on Friday, September 25th for our Jog-A-Thon... THANK YOU. You did a great job of cheering our students and staff on as they jogged/walked around Fleming Middle School's track. Total \$ raised were \$6529.07 this will be used for tech projects in the classrooms, and support P.B.S. at Manzanita Elementary.

