



# Williams Elementary

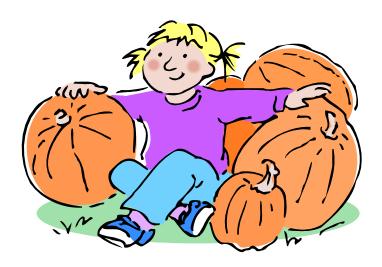
## October 2008

## Ms. Michelle Sesock Principal

Mindi Hernandez Office Manager

# Calendar of Events

| Oct. | 3  | Mr. Whistler begins Music Program   |
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| Oct. | 7  | Mrs. Bingham's 4/5 class field trip to Crater Lake                                  |
| Oct. | 10 | NO SCHOOL—State Wide In-Service   |
| Oct. | 17 | Jog-A-Thon  |
| Oct. | 23 | Mr. Morgan's 2/3 class field trip to Science Works                                  |
| Oct. | 29 | Mrs. Wardle and Mrs. Agnifili's K, $1/2$ classes field trip to White's Country Farm |
| Oct. | 31 | Classroom Parties at 12:45 pm   |



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#### News from Mrs. Wardle's Kindergarten Class

In September Mrs. Wardle's Kindergarten class has been working on school rules and routines. The children have learned quickly how to line up quietly, how to raise their hands before speaking out, how to clean up after themselves, and how to be kind to others. Our district is committed to PBS (Positive Behavior Support) and our school rules are: Be Safe, Be Respectful, and Be Responsible. The students have also been learning letters such as Aa, Ee, and Hh, their sounds and different words that start with each letter. In math the students have been learning days of the week, yesterday, today, and tomorrow, ordinals(1st, 2nd, etc), and sorting. In science we have been studying animals and their groups.

For the first week of October we will be running the track to prepare for the Jog-athon on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>. The monies raised during the Jog-a-thon are used for our class field trips. We hope you will help your child get sponsors and hope to see you there.

## News from Mrs. Agnifili's 1/2 Class

Students in Mrs. Agnifili's room explored the concept of flight and created two different flying machines. Second graders learned about Davey Crocket and First Graders worked on mapping out a school. All students worked on partner stories and an illustration that was based on the book "Harold and the Purple Crayon". All students made a special book as well for their families. Mrs. Agnifili's class will be taking a field trip to White's Country Farm on October 29th with Mrs. Wardle's Kindergarten Class.

## News from Mr. Morgan's 2/3 Class

Second and Third grade students are now divided by level for reading and math groups. We still practice our sounds each morning and make a short project with the words we think of containing those sounds. We will be taking a field trip to "Science Works" in Ashland on Thursday, October 23rd. Students are very excited. The children have settled in very well and it looks like this will be a good year!

## News from Mrs. Bingham's 4/5 Class

This year in Mrs. Bingham's class we started math off with geometry. Science Works was a BLAST! The open house was a success, complete with mini-me's and "Guess Who?" magnifying glasses. I hope your child smiled brightly for picture day! Once every week, Larry Soll, a volunteer is helping out in P.E., teaching us many cool sports and games. All month our class has been getting Pioneer Prides. We've already earned over 75! We have been awarded a party. Warren, our music teacher is back!!!! We are all delighted about his return. Things in our class have been going great!

By Keli St Germain and Jasmine Sherman

# Jog-A-Thon October 17th

Each year our students hold a fundraising event - the Jog-A-Thon. Again this year we are asking students to collect pledges from family and friends to fund our holiday program, classroom field trips, and special programs. Last year, just a few of the field trips funded were:

White Oak Farm

Artist in Residence

Crater Lake

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Rogue Valley Symphony

Ginger Rogers Theater

Science Works

Oregon Caves

Pacifica's Caterpillar

Oregon Museum of Science & Industry

These opportunities are only available due to the overwhelming support you have shown in the past. We hope to keep that spirit of giving. Pledges will be collected up and until the day of the Jog-A-Thon, which will be held on **October 17th**. If you would like to help counting laps on the day of the event, please call the office.

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#### Classroom Parties

This year Halloween falls on Friday, so the teachers would like to celebrate the event by having a party in each classroom from 12:45 PM to 1:45 PM. We ask that you <u>NOT</u> send costumes. We would appreciate donations of bagged candy, store bought cookies or cupcakes, and juice. Parents are welcome to join in the fun and help in the classroom. Please call the office or your child's teacher for details.

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#### TITLE ONE PROGRAMS

Our school receives federal funds for Title One programs that are part of the No Child Left Behind Act. Under this law, you have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher(s). If 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:

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

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

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

If your child is receiving Title One services from paraprofessionals and if so, his/her qualifications

If you would like this information, please contact WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY 846-7224.

# 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

School Hours

Monday -Thursday 7:40am—1:55pm

(541) 846-7224

Fax (541) 846-7225

Remember to have your child at school on time for there is a lot going on in the first

15 minutes of class. Research shows being on time is an important factor in the learning process.

Breakfast for all begins at

7:10 am daily!