

Williams Elementary School Newsletter November 2008

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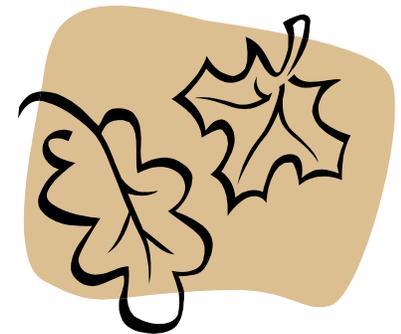
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Calendar of Events

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- 2 End of Daylight Savings Time-turn back clock 1 hour.
- 4 Fourth/Fifth Grade field trip to Oregon Caves
- 10 Staff Development Day-No School
- 11 Veteran's Day-No School
- 19 Thanksgiving Lunch with your child
- 26 Clerical Day-No School
- 27 Thanksgiving Day-No School
- 28 Vacation Day-No School



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Happy Holidays

News From Mrs. Wardle's Class

October has been very full for Kindergarten. As you know, we had our jog-a-thon on the 17th. I was proud of our Kindergarten Class. They ran more laps than any Kindergarten class has ever run. On October 20th we had pumpkin math. We guessed, counted seeds in the pumpkin, and roasted and ate the pumpkin seeds. On October 29th we went to White's Country Farm for a field trip to see a pumpkin patch.

We are still learning the letter names, sounds, and words that start with each. We have been learning sign language for the letters we have learned as well. In math we have been making real, picture, and bar graphs. In Science we are learning about bugs.

News from Mrs. Agnifili's Class

Students in Mrs. Agnifili's room are really beginning to view themselves as artistic writers! It is really exciting to watch the output being produced as students are revising previously written material. Everyone gets inspired by listening to each others work during our daily Writer's Workshop. Writers are adding details and working on spelling. **SOME EXCELLENT NEWS:** As of this month **THERE IS NOT ONE SINGLE STUDENT IN OUR CLASSROOM THAT CANNOT READ!** It is so exciting! Additionally, students are "loving" the buddy reading that is done with Mrs. Bingham's fourth and fifth graders' help, as well as during our designated time before lunch and during our Library time on Wednesdays.

In October, the class learned about reptiles and mammals in science. First and Second Graders also learned about the pumpkin life cycle in preparation for our field trip to White's Country Farm. Students picked out pumpkins to take home, visited the petting zoo to see more mammals, and enjoyed the bounce house and corn maze. This field trip was made possible due to our class doing so well in the Jog-A-Thon on October 17th. Everyone exercised well and learned how to warm up and cool down. Thank you to everyone who participated, it was a very fun day! Last but not least, the class really enjoyed a fun Halloween/Harvest celebration (using treats/supplies funded by the Jog-a-thon) to end the month of October.

News from Mr. Morgan's class

Mr. Morgan's 2nd/3rd grade class had a great trip to ScienceWorks in Ashland. The five parent volunteers were wonderful, helping with small groups.

The Jog-a-thon was an exciting day so we wrote about it in a story called, "Two Hours of My Life." We are saving these for parent conference time.

We will continue working on a certain sound every morning, along with the story that comes home for homework, until Christmas. Then we will start working on copying a quote from the board and discussing what it means. This is a little different twist in curriculum but it helps second graders get a good start while challenging third graders to use higher level thinking skills.

News from Mrs. Bingham's Class

This month in Mrs. Bingham's class the fourth and fifth graders are happy to have their wonderful music instructor Warren Whistler back. He has brought great joy to our school. This year's jog-a-thon was a huge success, and our fourth and fifth grade class is hoping to win the pizza prize for the most pledges! We wanted to thank "ALL" the community members and helpers who pitched in. It means a lot to us all.

In fourth and fifth grade math we are learning multiplication and division. On November 4th our class will be going to the Oregon Caves!!! We are all very excited to go there this year! Thanksgiving is coming up so we ALL wanted to wish you a Happy and Joyful Thanksgiving!

By Courtney Hart
and Sofi Hart



Thanksgiving Lunch
Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Menu

Turkey Gravy with Mashed Potatoes

*All the fixings

or

Teriyaki Dippers

or

Garden Salad

And

Salad Bar

Clip & Return to school

Fill out and return to School by 11-12-08

Thanksgiving lunch on 11-19-08

Please reserve the following:



_____ Adult Lunch _____ Non Student
Lunch

How Many @ \$3.00 How Many @ \$2.15

_____ Turkey Gravy _____ how many?

Parent Name _____ Teriyaki Dippers _____ how many?

_____ Garden Salad _____ how many?

Student Name _____

See Ms. Hernandez in the office for tickets

ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

In the event of adverse weather conditions parents are advised to tune in to Radio Stations KRWQ, KAJQ, KLDL, KBOY and TV Stations KOBI (5), KDRV (12), KTVL (10), or the Three Rivers School District Web page for information on school bus schedules.

Sometimes weather conditions leave some roads blocked or unsafe to travel but school is still being held. Under these circumstances "Straight Line Routes" will be run. This is the information you will get on the web page or radio/TV stations.

When straight line routes are run the roads affected are:

B-1 Cedar Flat, Caves Camp Road, Kincaid Road

B-2 Pine Tree, Powell Creek Road

B-3 Tetherow, East Fork, Panther Gulch

If you live on one of the roads the buses cannot travel, you may bring you student to the nearest intersection of the main road traveled. This will also be the stop for the afternoon drop off.

Daylight Saving ends on 11/2/08

Remember to turn your clocks BACK ONE HOUR!



Library News

Just a friendly reminder regarding library books:

Please take a moment to ask your child if they have any school library books that need to be returned. Books can get misplaced under beds, in closets, backpacks, grandma's, or even left in the car. Your help in reminding the kids to return their library books is greatly appreciated.

Books are checked out during the class library time each week. They are usually returned the next week, but may be renewed if your child is not finished. Books are enjoyed by all students so please take a moment to remind your student to return library books in a timely manner.

Thanks so much,
Jacki, Williams Library Manager



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 - Friday -7:40am—1:55pm

A BIG THANKS goes out to ALL the parents who have brought their students to school on time and that have called the office to report absences. Getting your child to school on time helps them to have a great head start to their day!

**Breakfast for all begins at
7:10 am daily!**