



Manzanita Messenger



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Thoughts from the Principal.....

Dear Manzanita families,

I sincerely hope that this newsletter finds you in good health, well rested, and ready for a new year! The Winter Vacation was very relaxing, but I missed seeing all of the students at school each day. We are glad everyone is back at school.

January brings not only a new year, but for some it can also 'new habits', especially when it comes to school. I have attached to this newsletter a *Home and School Connection* flyer that has great ideas about helping your student with homework, tips on how to help develop a sense of empathy within your child, and many other useful suggestions. I encourage you to read this flyer with your student; it can greatly benefit both of you.

Thank you to all families and community members who purchased Dutch Bros. gift cards through our fundraiser we had in November and December. Our PTA was able to make over \$1600 to help support our music program at Manzanita. Every little bit helps and we are so very grateful for your continued support of our students.

Our next Site Council meeting is on January 21st, 2014 at 2:10pm here in the main office.

We have elected parents that serve on the council, but all meetings are open to the public and we welcome your ideas and suggestions. For more information please give me a call here at school (541-479-6433).

Many students will be starting Science Fair projects during the next few weeks. Science inquiries are a wonderful way to challenge your student and have them look in-depth at a particular science question. For more information, please contact your child's teacher.

Finally, the weather seems to be very cold and somewhat treacherous this year. To receive the automated phone calls regarding late starts or school cancellation, we need to have your current phone number. If you have any changes, please let us know.

There are many events happening at Manzanita in the next few weeks. Information about calendar events can be found in this newsletter, on the reader board in front of the school, and on our school web site (www.threerivers.k12.or.us).

Sincerely,

Jessica Durrant



Jan. 6– Classes Resume

Jan. 13 – PTA Meeting 2:00 pm

Jan. 20– No School– Martin Luther King Day

Jan. 21– Site Council meeting 2:10pm

Jan. 21– TRSD Board Meeting 6pm @ District Office

Jan. 27– Kids Smile Dental program

Jan. 31– PBIS Activity

Feb. 6– 3rd Grade Tree Plant Field Trip



Thank You!!

Huge thanks to Shani Hulst, a parent at Manzanita who put together 400 bags of popcorn, one for each student at the school! We used the bags of popcorn as part of the reward assembly in October. Shani spent hours and hours getting these bags ready for our kids. Amazing!! We appreciate you!

TITLE 1 FUNDS

Title 1 funds are critical federal funds that help our school in many ways. Our Title 1 funding also pays for more than half of our teaching assistant positions and helps provide extra supplies, library books, and other resources for our classrooms. Please make sure you have filled out the form for free or reduced meals if you are eligible. Even if you don't intend to use that service, by filling out the form and qualifying, you help determine the level of Title 1 funding received at Manzanita. Thanks!

LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found barrel is overflowing!! If your student is missing jackets, sweatshirt, lunch box, etc. please have them check the tables in the gym. If clothes are not claimed, they will be bagged up and put in storage. Items will then be donated at the end of the school year. Putting student's names on items helps as we try to get them back to the correct owner. The cold weather is here...please come get your warm clothes that are missing.



BRRRRR

The cold weather is here. Please remind your students to wear a jacket when they are outside at recess. We see many students that take off their jacket when playing and we would like all students to be safe and warm.

PARKING LOT

With the cold, icy mornings please take extra precaution when driving through the parking lot at Manzanita. The icy roads can make it harder to stop quickly. We would like everyone to arrive at their destination safely. If you are walking from the parking lot to the school, please use the cross walk, go slowly, and watch for ice patches. We appreciate everyone being cautious and safe in this winter weather.



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YEARBOOK

Students who purchased a yearbook before Dec. 6 had their names entered in a drawing to have their picture on the cover of the year book. The winners are: Jesse Mockridge, Kylie Cayton, Laci Schuessler, Kash Lawless, Austin Champion, Marissa Smith, Ashley Bell, Arianna Paola, Gia Poalo, Ari Smith- Rowe and Piper Niva. It's not too late to purchase a yearbook!!! The cost is \$15 and a form can be picked up in the school office.



Dutch Brothers

Thank you to everyone who purchased or sold Dutch Brothers cards. The proceeds will benefit our music program. The following students won a \$10 Dutch Bros. card of their own for bringing in the most sales for each grade level.

Kindergarten - Catherine Beardslee

1st grade – Faith Hoyt

2nd grade – Maddi Mockridge

3rd grade – Kain Robinson

4th grade – Cruz Kilborn

5th grade – Arora Davis

Thank you again for everyone's generosity and help with this fundraiser.

Announcement Assistants

Every morning, Mrs. Durrant randomly selects a student to help with morning announcements. The following students were recently announcement assistants:

Wolf Hill, Cambria Anderson, Kyra Mobley, Angelina Taylor, Hunter Wright, Faith Hoyt, Maddi Mockridge, Kain Robinson, Cruz Kilborn, Arora Davis, Ramyah Tobin, Jesse Mockridge, Kylie Cayton, Kash Lawless, Austin Champion, Marissa Smith, Ashley Bell, Arianna Paola, Gia Paola, Ari Smith-Rowe, Piper Niva.

Maybe YOU will be the next announcement assistant!

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