



Williams Elementary School Newsletter

Ms. Michelle Sesock
Principal

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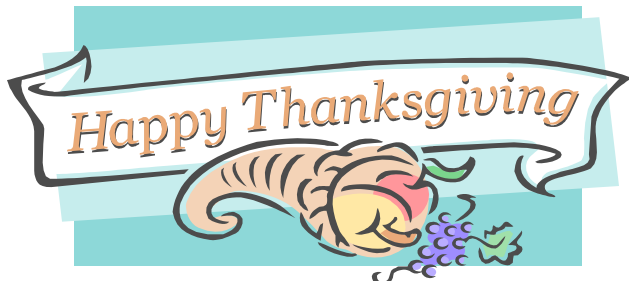
Mindi Hernandez
Office Manager



Calendar of Events



- November 3 - Picture Re-Takes
- November 5 - 3rd & 4/5th Salmon Viewing
- November 11 - Veterans Day-No School
- November 12 - K, 1/2 Jacksonville Museum
- November 20 - 2hr Late Start
- November 23, 24 - Clerical Days-No School
- November 25 - Budget Reduction Day-No School
- November 26, 27 - Thanksgiving Holiday-No School



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School Hours:
7:40am—1:55pm

ATTENTION PARENTS

In the event of adverse weather conditions, parents are advised to tune in to Radio Stations KRWQ, KAJQ, KLDR, KBOY and TV Stations KOB1 (5), KDRV (12), KTVL (10), or Three Rivers School District Web Page for information on school bus schedules and school closures.

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

<u>Route</u>	<u>Street Name</u>
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B-01	Cedar Flat, Caves Camp Road, Kincaid Road (Student Pick Up for these roads will be at Williams Elementary)
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B-02	Pine Tree, Powell Creek Road
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B-03	Tetherow, East Fork, Panther Gulch, (Student Pick Up for these roads will be at Williams Elementary.)
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Academic Enrichment/Homework Club

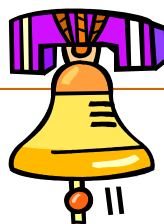
Williams Elementary School is offering an after school Academic Enrichment/ Homework Club for students 2nd-5th grade. The program will run through the middle of December and continue again in January along with a variety of other afterschool activities. The Enrichment/Homework Club will run Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 2:00pm - 2:45pm. If you are interested in signing your student up for this program please see Mindi in the office for a permission slip.



BELL RINGERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Brian Musack	-	Kindergarten
Elijah Buckland	-	Second Grade
Alice Holbombe	-	Fourth Grade
John MacDonald	-	Fifth Grade
Frank Cardenas	-	Fifth Grade

Great Job being.....
Safe, Respectful, and Responsible!





**Williams Elementary students
received home made knitted winter
hats on Tuesday, October 27th,
Thanks to JoAnn Worth and the
Williams Community Hat Ladies!**



H1N1 FLU AND ATTENDANCE

The Three Rivers School District is working closely with the Josephine County Health Department 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.

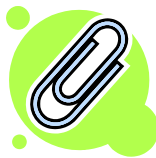
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention defines an influenza-like illness as having the following symptoms:

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 school 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 until 24 hours after the fever is gone (without the use of fever reducing medications).



Parents: remember to call **Mindi in the school office at 846-7224** when your child is ill or absent for any reason. Office hours are from 6:45am—3:15pm. If for any reason your child will be absent for an extended period of time it is very important to notify the office and your child's teacher prior to the absence. Keeping up with homework and school activities will help your child ease the stress of returning after an extended absence.

I APPRECIATE ALL THE EFFORTS you have made to get your student to school on time. The first few minutes of school are important to your student as teachers are going over attendance, daily schedules, and agendas.

Sincerely,

Michelle Sesock

News from Mrs. Wardle's Kindergarten Class

October has been very full for Kindergarten. We are finishing up a unit on shapes in math. We also had pumpkin math and found that our pumpkin weighed 9 pounds and had 396 seeds. We roasted the seeds and had them as a snack.

We are still learning the letter names and their sounds, and words that start with each letter. We have been learning the sign language signs for the letters and words as well.

To start November we will be learning about Native Americans and their customs to better prepare us for our November 12th field trip to the Jacksonville Children's Museum.



News from Mrs. Agnifili's 1/2 class

The class has been working on what makes a sentence: subject, action, capitalization, and ending punctuation marks. Each student is encouraged on a daily basis to keep expanding ideas and adding details to what is already written.

We use our Promethean Board daily, sometimes for writing, and always for our morning calendar activities. Two teachers from Applegate School came in to see how the class manipulates words, numbers, and figures on the board. The teachers also saw how the promethean clickers work and were impressed with the students' enthusiasm and knowledge based upon their quick responses to inputting answers.

Students are working on number sense, addition, and subtraction skills in math. PE is fun using the parachute and playing "Protect the Post" after doing warm up exercises. In art, students are learning the elements of art, doing water color-crayon resists, and making art out of leaves.

At the end of the month, students were excited to celebrate the holiday by focusing on Maurice Sendak's "Where the Wild Things Are". Costumes were made, stories were written, math was completed, and there was even a Wild Rumpus! Everyone is looking forward to the first fieldtrip

of the year on November 12th to the Jacksonville Children's Museum.



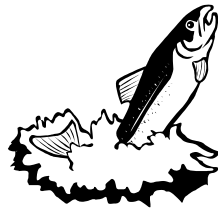
News from Mr. Morgan's 2/3 class

Mr. Morgan's class has had a busy and interesting October. The trip to White Oaks Farm went great. We followed it up with a ten question science quiz about just the things taught to us by the White Oaks farmers. Almost everyone scored very well.

Our writing is coming along nicely. We're reading our work to each other and trying to find where to punctuate and capitalize.

In the math book we are nearing the end of chapter 3. We will take a test on mental math, finding missing addends, regrouping, estimating, and solving story problems.

Our class has one more field trip scheduled, to see the salmon spawn in Williams Creek. We will only have one or two days notice because we are waiting until Tim Franklin spots the first pair of salmon under the bridge on Highway 238.



News from Mrs. Bingham's 4/5 class

Thanksgiving is coming up quick and we had a great Halloween in Mrs. Bingham's 4/5th grade class. Our class just got back from White Oak Farm. We learned about composting and a lot about trees at the farm. We also just got our progress reports.

In writing we have been writing about our Crater Lake field trip two week ago. In 5th grade math we are learning decimals and fractions. Fourth grade is learning about all the forms of writing a number.

Mr. Whistler's guitar and violin class just started and we have been having lots of fun with him. We also had our Jog-a-thon and Ryan Vidlak almost beat the record by running 58 laps around the track.

We hope everyone has a great November and Happy Thanksgiving.

By, Frank Cardenas and Dylan Herren-Bell



REMINDER

When your student needs to take medication at school please remember the medication must be delivered to the office in the original pharmacy container properly labeled by the pharmacy with the student's name, the physician's name, physician's order, date of original prescription, and the name of the medication. If the medicine is over the counter it should be in the original container or box. A note with the parent's directions should accompany the medication. **ALL MEDICATION IS TO BE KEPT IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE AT ALL TIMES.**



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**