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DISTRICT NEWS

Calendar of Events

March

31st

5th Grade Concert 6:30pm

April

1st

Dad's Play Day

4th-8th

Spring Break—No School

4th-29th

Eager Reader

15th

Festival of Cultures 6-8pm

18th-28th

Spelling Bee

21st

Parent Preview of FLASH Curriculum-IVE 6pm

23rd

Parent Preview of FLASH Curriculum-IVE 9am

May

3rd

3rd Grade Concert 6:30PM

5th-16th

Measure of Student Progress (MSP) Test

6th

Dad's Play Day

24th

New Kindergarten Open House 5-6pm

30th

Memorial Day-No School



Summer school registration is now open for elementary school students.

Elementary Summer School is for current first through fifth graders who would like to get a jump-start on next year's learning. The program also provides remedial assistance over the summer. Classes are held on weekdays from July 5 to July 29, 9AM to 12 PM, at [Clark Elementary School](#). Tuition is \$375 and applications are available in your school office or on the [District website](#).

Summer Computer Camp is for current fourth and fifth graders. Students will learn how to use a camera, how to film correctly, and how to transfer video into the computer. They will learn the fundamentals of video production and editing and how to use still pictures and video to make a movie. Their final project will be to produce a DVD. Summer Computer Camp runs weekdays from July 11 to July 22, 9:30 to 11:30, at [Clark Elementary School](#). Tuition for this two-week program is \$225 and applications are available in your school office or on the [District website](#)

FLASH & HIV/AIDS Curriculum Information Sessions for Grade 5 –**Briarwood, Cascade Ridge, Clark, Cougar Ridge, Endeavour, Grand Ridge, Issaquah Valley, and Maple Hills**

Your child's teacher will be teaching the district adopted FLASH (Family Life and Sexual Health) and HIV/AIDS curriculum during this school year. To allow you an opportunity to examine the instructional materials and view the videos that may be used, there will be two public viewings of the materials at Issaquah Valley Elementary Multi-Purpose Room on the following dates:

Thursday, April 21, 2011	6:00 pm
Saturday, April 23, 2011	9:00 am

At the appointed time there will an informal presentation with viewing of video(s). Curriculum staff and a teacher will be available to answer your questions.

FLASH Instruction:

Under the Federal Hatch Amendment of 1974, all sexual education instructional materials must be available for parent inspection. Parents have the right to exempt their child from sexual education instruction at any time. The public viewings provide a centralized opportunity to do so.

HIV/AIDS Instruction:

In recognition of the significant threat that the HIV/AIDS virus presents to the health of the people of our nation, the Washington state legislature passed the Omnibus AIDS Bill in 1988. This law directs local school districts to provide yearly instruction to students in grades 5-12 about the pathology and prevention of the HIV/AIDS virus. This is the twenty-second year of such instruction.

It is not necessary for parents to attend a public review session if they do not intent to exempt their children from HIV/AIDS instruction. The Washington State Omnibus AIDS law requires a parent to attend a public viewing session and review the materials before such an exemption may be requested or granted. Being familiar with the curriculum will enhance your ability to talk with your children about this serious health threat.

Session Location:

**Issaquah Valley Elementary School
555 NW Holly St.
Issaquah, WA 98027**

SCHOOL NEWS**Reflections Group Pictures Are Still Available**

We still have some more Reflections Group Pictures here in the office. If you participated in Reflections these year and did not receive your complimentary picture please stop by and pick one up.

SPRING BREAK NEXT WEEK - NO SCHOOL

BEAVER LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

PARENT EDUCATION

How to Help Your Child Successfully Transition to Beaver Lake Middle School

Date/Place:

Tuesday, April 12th
2011
Beaver Lake Middle School

Time:

6:30-8:00 PM

BEAVER LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

For more information, contact
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Please join us for an evening discussion with middle school panelists including current 6th grade students, parents of 6th grade students, Humanities and Math teachers along with guidance counselors.

The focus of the evening will be for parents to learn about the new challenges that face middle school students- developing independence, the changing role of parental involvement, and how parents can help their child succeed through the maze of adolescence and the new responsibilities they face. Also what skill set is need to be successful in math and Humanities, choosing the right path for your child. Come with your questions or send them ahead of time to beaverlakeptsa@gmail.com.

This evening is for adults only

(The presence of non-panelist students and children inhibit the conversation, so *please* arrange childcare at home, no babysitting will be available at the school. *Thank You*)

5th Grade Concert

We are looking forward to seeing our 5th graders perform next week, Thursday March 31st at 6:30pm. In light of our upcoming performance please review our new concert procedures:

ARRIVAL TIME: Doors will open at 6:10. Students should go to their classrooms at this time. The concert will start at 6:30.

SUPERVISION: Unfortunately, we have had several incidents involving destruction and disregard for school equipment and property – this has occurred both before and during our concerts. Therefore, all children who are attending the concert need to be supervised at all times. We'd appreciate your help with this matter.