



THE COYOTE CONNECTION

Parent Newsletter

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Cascade Ridge Elementary School

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Calendar of Events

May

26th
30th

Retirement Celebration-Library 3:30-4:30pm
Memorial Day-No School

June

1st-3rd
8th
9th
10th
10th
14th
14th
15th
15th
16th

5th Grade Camp
Chorus Concert 6:30pm
Marimba Concert 6:30pm
Spirit Day-Coyote Wear
Deadline for Ordering School Supplies Online
5th Grade Cast Off-Café 9:00-10:30am
Last Day Reg scheduled Class for PM Kindergarten
Field Day K-3 8:30/4-5 10:40
Last Day AM/PM Kindergarten joint class
Last Day of School - FDK-5th 8:30-11:00



Registration for 2011-12

If you know of families whose children will be new to Cascade Ridge in the fall, but have not yet registered, please urge them to do so as soon as possible. They should contact Jennifer Kirsch via email at kirschj@issaquah.wednet.edu or by phone @ 425-837-5503 for registration information.

Thank you for your help!

SCHOOL NEWS

Calling All Volunteers for Next Year!!

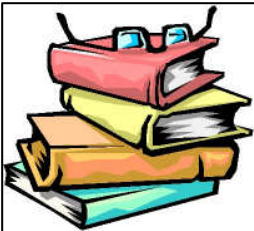
Please look for the PTSA Spring Volunteer form that will be coming home with your child this week, or find it on our PTSA web site at <http://cascaderidgeptsa.org/>. This form allows us to gauge our volunteers for the upcoming school year and to schedule events and programs accordingly. We cannot provide these fabulous opportunities for your child without your help. Please consider volunteering where you can! Return forms to the PTSA mailbox in the lobby by **Friday May 27th**.

Questions? Contact Deanne King, 425-270-3336 or deanneking@live.com.

Thank You To All Our Special Guests

Thank you to all of our special guests who have joined us for our monthly Dads' Play Day on the Playground! It has been wonderful to see the kids' faces light up when someone special comes to spend recess with them. There will be no June Dads' Play Day, but we would love to have you volunteer for Field Day on Wednesday, June 15th. It will be a great morning filled with tons of fun activities. For more information please contact Deanne King at deanneking@live.com or see the PTSA website and the June Howler.

A word from our Librarian



It's that time of year again! I am so excited that students have been so enthusiastic about selecting and checking out library materials this school year. **Over 30,000 books have been circulated this year!** Unfortunately, it's time to start thinking about finishing up that last book and returning it back to the school library! I am asking that all library materials be returned by **Tuesday, MAY 31st** so that I can begin inventory. I have sent out overdue notices all year, but in the final weeks I will be sending out overdue notices weekly to those students who need a friendly reminder. We all know that sometimes books or other library materials disappear. If that has happened to you, your overdue notice also has the replacement cost listed. Simply, send or bring a **CHECK** to the library circulation desk and I can remove that library material from your account. **It is important to remember to pay for lost books as district policy does state that report cards will be held until all fines are paid. 5th grade students, it is also important to note that because our library system is district-wide, any unpaid fines you have at Cascade Ridge will follow you to middle school.**

Thank you for your support in maintaining as many books as possible in our collection.

Zana Moore

Teacher-Librarian

Using Mylunchmoney.com

To All Cascade Ridge Parents:

For those of you who are finding it difficult to monitor your child's lunch account balance, here is some information you will find extremely useful.

Mylunchmoney.com is a service available in our district which you may use to monitor your student's lunch account. You can use mylunchmoney.com to check your student's meal history for the last seven days, receive email notification when your child's balance goes below \$5.00, and see the balance in your child's account at the end of each day. These services are FREE!

You can also utilize mylunchmoney.com to make credit or debit card payments to your child's lunch account. When making a credit or debit card payment, there is a small fee of \$1.95 per transaction. Options are available to make payments "As You Go", or you may set up the "Smart Pay" feature which automatically funds your student's account when their balance reaches a certain limit.

To sign up, just go to the mylunchmoney.com website. You will need your student's seven-digit district identification number. You can find this number on Family Access. Or you can call the food service office at 425-837-5064 or 425-837-5060 for the id#, or for more information or assistance.

PTSA NEWS**Attention SAGE & MERLIN PARENTS – ITAG Webinar!**

Please join us as ITAG (*Issaquah Talented & Gifted Parents Association - www.itagparents.org*) and Dr. James T Webb (Ph.D., ABPP-CL, nationally recognized as one of the 25 most influential Psychologists on gifted education) present our first Webinar, **Eleven Key Parenting Issues**.

When: Wednesday, June 1st from 7-9pm (doors open at 6:30pm)
Where: Eastside Fire & Rescue
175 Newport Way NW
Issaquah, WA 98027

Network with ITAG parents on Facebook "ITAG Parents Association"



GOT SCIENCE?

Slices for Science!

Eat pizza at Zeeks, served by teachers from Grand Ridge Elementary! Eat in, take out, or have it delivered. 20% of all proceeds go towards the Elementary Science Initiative.

When: Tuesday, June 7th from 5:00-8:00pm
Where: Zeeks Pizza in Issaquah Highlands
2525 NE Park Drive
Issaquah, WA 98029

20% of the proceeds from this evening will be donated to the Issaquah Schools Foundation (ISF) to help fund the Elementary Science Initiative. See below for more information.

If you would like to make a direct donation to the Elementary Science Initiative, please visit <http://www.issaquahschoolsfoundation.org/> and click the **"Donate Now"** button on the homepage.

The **Elementary Science Initiative Campaign** is a joint project of the Issaquah School District, Issaquah PTA Council and Issaquah Schools Foundation. This unprecedented alliance will bring an updated, state-standards aligned science curriculum to the District's 8,000 plus K-5 students.

The Issaquah School District has committed \$700,000 to the adoption--enough to purchase the first domain. An additional \$500,000 is required to purchase the remaining two domains. Guests of the *Nourish Every Mind Benefit Luncheon* helped give the campaign a \$263,000 head start. **We are now asking the community to help raise the final \$237,000.**

UPDATE: As of May 17, we only need to raise \$205,000 more!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A



RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

IN HONOR OF

Betty Gilstrap

AND

Anne Henigson

**IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR DEDICATION TO THE STUDENTS AND
FAMILIES THEY ENRICHED THROUGHOUT THEIR TEACHING CA-
REERS**

**THURSDAY, MAY 26TH
CASCADE RIDGE LIBRARY
3:30-4:30**

“Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened.”

~Dr. Seuss

