



THE COYOTE CONNECTION

Cascade Ridge Elementary School Newsletter

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct 14	Walkathon 2:45-6pm
Nov 4	Dad's Play Day
Nov 10	Picture Re-Take Day
Nov 11	Veteran's Day-No School for Students or Staff
Nov 23	End of 1st Trimester-Report Cards go home
Nov 24 & 25	Thanksgiving Holiday-No School For Students or Staff
Nov 30	Elementary Conferences - No school for students
Dec 1	Elementary Conferences - No school for students
Dec 2	Dad's Play Day

DISTRICT NEWS



All in for Kids Annual Fund

Friday, October 14, is a **Click for Kids** day! The Issaquah Schools Foundation encourages those who have not yet made their **All in for Kids Annual Fund** contribution to visit www.isfdn.org and make a donation today. Whether you can give \$60 (just \$5 a month) or \$600—we need you. Your donation will help ensure that we can continue to provide our students with the comprehensive education they deserve and the global marketplace demands.

Challenge, Support and Celebrate Each Student

SCHOOL NEWS

On Behalf of Cascade Ridge Staff

We wish to thank PTSA and Kim Anderson for the yummy coffee and treats on Tuesday October 11. We are so appreciative to be thought of especially during this busy time for PTSA. We wish you luck and good weather for the Walkathon!

Dad's Day - A Great Success!

Thank you to all of the dads, moms, grandparents and other special guests who joined us for our first Dads' Play Day on the playground! We had a fabulous turn-out and thank you for coming to spend time with your special kiddos.

Our next Dads' Play Day is on Friday, November 4th. Due to space limitations in the Cafe, we are asking that you sign in, get a visitor's badge, and then meet your child on the playground. **If you are planning to eat with your child and want a lunch from the cafeteria, you will need to pre-order your lunch by 8:00 on the day of Dads' Play Day.** To order a lunch, please contact Phyllis Turner at :

turnerp@issaquah.wednet.edu . Lunch times are as follows:

11:00-11:25: 1st and 3rd Grade

11:30-11:55: Kindergarten/5th Grade and Science Tech. (4th and 5th)

12:00-12:25: 2nd and 4th Grade

Questions? Lynette Springborn: lspringborn@gmail.com

PTSA NEWS

Cascade Ridge Walkathon and Fall Festival is Tomorrow!

Rain or Shine - We'll be **Kicking it, Coyote Style** Friday 10/14 from 2:45-6:00pm. Bring every Coyote Whip-persnapper you can find and head on over to the biggest event of the year!

Walking, DJ and dancing, face painting, carnival games, the Mariner Moose - It will all be there - FREE! Treats and fun offered for a small charge: Ben & Jerry's ice cream, hair tinsel, caramel apples, delicious goodies and drinks. Don't miss the Silent Auction - we have amazing products and services available to the highest bidder, including special experiences offered by the teachers and staff at CRE!

The teacher outlaws are going to need help getting out of jail - you'd better lend a hand!

NOTE: Students not registered will be dismissed following their normal after school procedure. Go on-line now at <http://cascaderidgeptsa.org/Page/Walkathon/Home.html> to register, pledge and join the fun!

Join us, cow folk, or you'll be left in the dust! Thanks, y'all!

5th Grade Pumpkin Carving Contest Reminder

All pumpkins are due tomorrow morning by 8:30 am. Questions: contact rachelschnebele@comcast.net

Geography Bee

Does your student enjoy geography trivia? Then mark your calendars! The Geography Bee will be held during the week of **November 14th** (exact dates and time will be announced soon)! The Cascade Ridge Geography Bee is a fun contest for students to challenge their understanding and knowledge of world geography. The goal is to spark interest not just in states, nations, continents and oceans but also in how human life is shaped by these geographical features. Teams of 3 to 5 similar age students will compete for prizes in this fun and educational activity. Students may form their own team or sign up and be placed on a team. Sign ups will begin soon so stay tuned for more information! If you would like to help make this fun event a success by volunteering your time, please contact Kasturi Biswas at kasturib@yahoo.com.

The PTSA Reflections Art Contest is Here!

Put your creative brain to work! Does your student like to draw, paint, take photos, write stories or poems, compose music, dance, or make videos? The annual Reflections art contest has started and we are looking for 12 entries to represent Cascade Ridge at the district level (and maybe even the state or national level!). **The theme this year is "Diversity Means...."** and all students are invited to enter art that represents this theme. All participants will get a coupon for FREE POPCORN that can be used on any Popcorn Friday!

Entry forms will be distributed next week and can also be downloaded at www.wastatePTA.org (click on the Programs tab and select Reflections). Each category has specific rules & guidelines for entries so please review the rules applicable for the category your student is entering. The deadline to turn in your entries (with a signed entry form) is Friday, October 28th. **Questions?** Contact Julietta Bell at: rogers_bell@hotmail.com or 917-257-5504.

Did you receive the October Howler in your inbox this week?

If not, you probably have not completed your first day paperwork with our PTSA. Go to www.cascaderidgeptsa.org and click on "first day packet" along the left hand side of the page to register so you can receive our monthly newsletter, the Howler, that will keep you "in the know" about all activities at Cascade Ridge. You can also join the PTSA, order yearbooks for your kiddos, and find out about all of our fabulous events including our main fundraiser and family event of the year, our Walkathon and Fall Festival coming up tomorrow afternoon from 2:45-6:00. Register now! You'll be glad you did!

Passive Fundraising Update

Sally Foster Gift Wrap

It's easy to support our school through this passive fundraising opportunity:

1. Visit www.sallyfoster.com and shop from over 200 items.
2. Enter our school ID at checkout: School ID: 10008581
3. 40% of every dollar spent goes to our school.
4. Make sure to register your student through the 'Seller Section' at www.sallyfoster.com. You can send personalized emails to friends and family to ask for their support. You can also track your sales.



Note: Items get shipped directly to customers! Free Shipping with \$50 Purchase!
Flat Fee Shipping of \$3.95 for orders under \$50!

It's simple and fun, the items are delightful, and we really appreciate your support

Brown Bear Car Wash

Get a clean car, save \$\$ and earn money for Cascade Ridge PTSA! For every \$5 ticket purchased CRE PTSA earns \$3.50 (normal price for basic exterior car wash is \$6.39). To purchase tickets email Lora Wendl at lora.wendl@gmail.com. and provide the following information:

- Your name
- Your child's name
- Your child's teacher
- How many tickets you would like to purchase



Then place a check payable to CRE PTSA (\$5/ticket) in the black PTSA box in the school foyer. Tickets will be delivered to your child's classroom within a week of your payment being received. Thanks for supporting our school! Order forms are also available on top of the black PTSA box.

EScrip

Please renew your eScrip registration by **November 1st**! Even if you have registered for eScrip in the past, you must renew every year. Just go to www.eScrip.com and click on "Yes Renew" and follow the directions. If you have never registered for eScrip, now is the time! Just go to www.eScrip.com and click on "Sign Up". Then you enter your Safeway Club Card number, and a portion of your purchases from Safeway will be donated to our school! In addition to your Safeway Club Card, if you register your debit and/or credit cards, a portion of your purchases from stores like Amazon, Gap, Old Navy, Macy's and Nordstrom will also be donated to our school!



Box Tops for Education

Turn in your Box Tops for Education by November 1st and our school will earn double points! Just clip the Box Tops and put them in the clear plastic box in the school lobby. Box Tops can be found on hundreds of grocery items and earn our school \$.10 each! For more information on the program, go to www.boxtops4education.com. Thanks for your participation! Questions, contact Lora Wendl at lora.wendl@gmail.com.



We'll recycle your Ink Cartridges!

Please continue to bring in your ink (not toner!) cartridges for recycling to the collection bin in the front lobby of the school. The refund will benefit the school and you will help the environment. Questions: Contact Lora Wendl at lora.wendl@gmail.com