

# THE COYOTE CONNECTION

# Cascade Ridge Elementary School Newsletter

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# November 10, 2011

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov 11	Veteran's Day-No School for Students or Staff
Nov 16th/17th/18th	Geography Bee * please note a change in date*
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
Dec 7-9	Book Fair-Wed. 1-7pm/Thurs. 3-7pm/Fri. 5-7pm
Dec 9	Fine Arts & Teriyaki Dinner 6-8pm
Dec 15	Chorus/Marimba Concert 6:30pm
Dec 19-Jan 02	First Winter Break
Jan 03	Back to School

# SCHOOL NEWS

# 2011 Holiday Program to help families in need

**There will not be a separate District Holiday Program this year.** If your family is in need of some extra assistance in terms of food, clothing, necessities, please contact your school nurse ASAP to obtain information on the **Issaquah Food Bank Holiday Program**. <u>New this year is that families will register online</u> beginning October 25<sup>th</sup> at the website <u>www.issaquahfoodbank.org</u>

There will be instructions to register and the last day will be November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Families will still need to pick up a letter at their child's school that says they attend school in the Issaquah School District! The Food Bank program fills up quickly so be sure to contact your school nurse before the end of October. School PTSA's desiring to participate in a "Caring through Sharing" program will receive their families to sponsor through the Issaquah Food Bank.

### School Needs

**Safety Patrol** has had one of their wagons stolen; if you know of it's whereabouts please let the office know at 425-837-5500. If you have a wagon you no longer need and wish to donate, our safety patrol would be very thankful.

**4th Grade** needs 2-liter bottles, and lots of them! If you have any empty, CLEAN, 2-liter bottles that you can donate, please send them in to Ms. Montgomery, Mrs. Fritsch or Mrs. Springborn. Thanks for your help!

#### The Staff Sincerely Thanks 5th Grade Parents

The soup, bread, salads and desserts were wonderful! Everything was so tasty and we even had enough for the next day. Thanks so much!

# **DISTRICT NEWS**

#### Special Education Parent Information Nights - 6:30 - 7:30 pm

- 11/17/2011 Creekside Library
- 12/5/2011 Grand Ridge Library
- 12/12/2011 Issaguah Valley Library
- 1/12/12 Apollo Library

# PTSA NEWS



#### Save the Date! Friday, December 9th is the PTSA's Fine Arts Night

You can enjoy an evening of great food, see your child's art on display, and even make some of your own! More details coming soon. We still need a few more volunteers for this event so if you can help, please contact Jackie Mueller at jackie.mueller1@comcast.net



<u>Register by November 14<sup>th</sup></u>....Don't Miss Your Chance to Participate in This Year's Geography Bee!!

#### Dates are:

Wed., Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> (K / 1<sup>st</sup> Grade) Thurs., Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade) Fri., Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> (4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) All nights from 6:30pm – 7:45pm in the café

- Get up to 3 of your friends together and sign up as a team OR sign up yourself and be placed on a team!
- There are prizes for all participants and for the winning teams in each grade bracket!!!
- Most questions are multiple-choice or true/false

• Many of the actual questions for each grade level bracket are available to study online.

For complete details, practice questions and answers AND to register (by Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>), go to: http://cascaderidgeptsa.org/Packet/GeoBee.



Every year during the holidays our wonderful Cascade Ridge community supports local organizations through our Caring Thru Sharing program. This year we will be working with the Issaquah Food Bank to grant the wishes of many local families in need. In the next few weeks, a "Winter Wonderland", complete with Gingerbread Men, will occupy the lobby of our school! Your students will be decorating the Gingerbread Men in their classes and then these cheerful men will become the gift tags from which students and their families may select "wishes" to grant!

Stay tuned for all of the details in the upcoming weeks! We are excited to help make this a wonderful holiday for many in need. Questions?? Please contact <u>Erin Rooney</u>.

## PARENT EDUCATION

Practical Strategies to Support Your Highly Capable Learner

Debbie Steinberg Kuntz Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist Focusing on Gifted and "Twice Exceptional" Children Issaquah Middle School Commons Monday Nov 14th @ 7:00pm

#### Fundraising

**Sally Foster Gifts and Gift Wrap** orders provide a quick and easy way to buy and beautifully wrap gifts for the holidays! Order by November 24<sup>th</sup> to receive your order by Christmas. 40% of your purchase goes back to CRE! Visit <u>www.sallyfoster.com</u> and click on "Support a Fundraiser" when placing your order.

**Brown Bear Car Wash Tickets** make great stocking stuffers! The tickets are good until October 2012, and cost \$5.00 each. Our school earns \$3.50 for each ticket sold! Please e-mail Lora Wendl at <u>lora.wendl@gmail.com</u> to place an order or for more information.

With the holidays comes a lot of baking and cooking, so don't forget to clip those **Box Tops for Education** and **(Campbell's) Labels for Education UPC's!** This is such an easy way to earn money and supplies for our school! Visit <u>www.btfe.com</u> for more information on Box Tops for Education and <u>www.labelsforeducation.com</u> from more information on Labels for Education.

Congratulations to the winner of the October Box Tops for Education drawing, the Myer family! They will receive a free Brown Bear Car Wash ticket, and a free Popcorn Friday ticket! Thanks for sending in those Box Tops!

Thanks for your support!