



THE COYOTE CONNECTION

Cascade Ridge Elementary School Newsletter

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct 28	Reflections submissions due
Nov 4	Dad's Play Day
Nov 10	Picture Re-Take Day
Nov 11	Veteran's Day-No School for Students or Staff
Nov 15th/17th/18th	Geography Bee
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 Night & Teriyaki Dinner 6-8pm

SCHOOL NEWS

Come Celebrate Veterans Day With Us

Please invite a veteran to our assembly. Uniforms are not necessary, but we would love to see them! We plan to have students sing the songs from the branches of service. It would make it extra special to have lots of veterans here, to stand during their song, and for students to honor them. Please help us find and invite veterans who are able to attend our assembly November 9th, 2011 at 9 A.M.

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**. **New** this year is that families will register online beginning October 25th at the website www.issaquahfoodbank.org.

There will be instructions to register and the last day will be November 23rd. 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.

Challenge, Support and Celebrate Each Student

Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found for any items your child might be missing. The Lost and Found is overflowing with coats, jackets, sweaters and sweatshirts. Please stop by to take a look.

PTSA NEWS

Howdy Y'all! The Wild West Walkathon and Fall Festival was a HUGE Success!

We hope you enjoyed the big shin dig on Friday. There were many happy cowboys and cowgirls taking in a great afternoon. THANK YOU to all the outstanding volunteers who pitched in to make it a smashing success! We surpassed our \$45,000 fund raising goal which means the students and staff at Cascade Ridge Elementary will have a great year rich with many opportunities. More information to come in November's Howler. Keep your eyes peeled, partner!

Smile for the Camera!

A generous donor to the PTSA Silent Auction was omitted from the Fall Event T-shirt. Her work is certainly not something to overlook!

Next time you, your children or family are looking for a great photography experience, look no further than our own community.

Gina Mazzaferro Photography is available to meet your professional portrait needs. Gina can be contacted at is 206.947.7727.

Silent Auction Winners

Thank you to all of you who bought items at the Walkathon Silent Auction. You will be getting a call from either the front office or someone from PTSA to verify what you won and your amount owed. Items such as teacher experiences, front row seats, library experience, principal for a day, etc, all need to be paid to Cascade Ridge ASB. Items such as the baskets, Suncadia, dog training etc, need to be paid to Cascade Ridge PTSA. Expect a call soon with your total and who to make a check out to. Thank you again for your support! It was a huge success. Questions: chrisannpenz@yahoo.com.

Diversity Means.....

What does "Diversity" mean to you? That is the theme for the annual Reflections art contest. We are looking for 12 entries to represent Cascade Ridge at the district level (and maybe even the state or national level). Entry forms have either already been sent home or will be sent home this week. The forms can also be downloaded at www.wastatepta.org (click on the Programs tab and select Reflections). Art categories include literature, visual arts, film production, musical composition, photography and dance choreography. Each category has specific rules & guidelines for entries so please review the rules applicable for the category your student is entering.

Completed entries (with a signed entry form) should be placed in the Reflections box outside the main office by Friday, October 28th. All participants will get a coupon for FREE POPCORN that can be used on any Popcorn Friday! Questions? Contact Julietta Bell at: rogers_bell@hotmail.com or 917-257-5504.



Are you Registered to Vote?

Did you know that *only* 50% of parents of school-age children in the Issaquah School District are registered to vote? A new school bond package will be on the April 17th ballot. Register to vote now so you can have a say:

<http://wei.secstate.wa.gov/osos/en/voterinformation/Pages/RegistertoVote.aspx>

Passive Fundraising Update

November 1st is the deadline to renew your EScrip account

Please renew so that we can continue to earn money for our school every time you shop at Safeway and use your Club Card. Register your credit and/or debit cards to help us earn even more money when you shop at participating retailers like Macy's and Eddie Bauer. Just go to www.Escrip.com, click on "renew", and follow the instructions.

If you've never registered for EScrip, just go to www.Escrip.com to enroll. Enter your Safeway Club Card number and/or your debit/credit cards, and a portion of your purchases will be donated to our school!

September's Box Top Winner

Congratulations to the Fewel family! They were chosen from the Box Top collection bin and will receive free popcorn on "Popcorn Friday" and a Brown Bear car wash ticket.

New Procedure for Submitting Box Tops!

We know it's hard and time-consuming to sign your child's name and teacher on every little Box Top!

So, if you want a chance to win the monthly drawing from your submitted Box Tops, clip and collect them in a plastic bag with your child's name and teacher written on the bag or on a note inside the bag. We will be drawing one bag from the collection bin each month. Prizes may include free popcorn on "Popcorn Friday" for the kids and Car Wash tickets or Coyote logo items for the adults! There is no minimum number of Tops required to submit a bag.

Keep those Box Tops and Labels for Education coming!

It's easy and fun to clip Box Tops and Labels for Education UPCs . Go to www.bt4e.com to see a list of participating Box Tops products, and www.labelsforeducation.com for participating Labels for Education products (it's not just Campbell's Soup labels anymore!)

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.

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.