



5th Grade News

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A Message from the Committee Chairs

Fifth grade is a special year at Cascade Ridge! Our students have the opportunity to participate in activities exclusive to the fifth grade, culminating in a promotion ceremony (traditionally known as "Cast-Off").

A 5th Grade Parent Committee has been formed to support the school administrative staff and the 5th grade teachers in planning a memorable conclusion to our student's final year of elementary school. The committee coordinates various events and activities, including a class service project, 5th Grade Camp, Cast-Off ceremony and party, and an end of year gift for the school.

On curriculum night, many parents graciously volunteered to help with the upcoming activities. Thank you!! As these activities draw closer, we'll be looking for more parent volunteers to pitch in. Please let us know if you are interested in helping out!

Future issues of "5th Grade News" will provide more details on the activities planned for our 5th graders. In the meantime, if you have any questions please feel free to contact us.

We look forward to working with you to make this year an exciting and memorable time for our 5th graders!
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5th Grade Parent Committee

Nga Selbig/Nichole Wengert	Co-Chairs
Nichole Wengert	Communications
Stacie Lacina/Michelle Lyman	Service Project
Molly Baker	Camp
Krystal McCandlish	Cast-Off Ceremony
Sharon Hastings/Blythe Mercer	Cast-Off Lunch
Kelly Huber	Cast-Off Party

5th Grade Parent Committee News & updates may be communicated via the Howler and/or Coyote Connection. All information will also be available on the PTSA website when you click on "News" and "Fifth Grade News" at:
www.cascaderidgeptsa.org

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 28th

Camp Parent Info Meeting,
6-7pm, Coyote Cafe

February 25th:

Service Project Kick-Off Assembly

March 14th:

Service Project: Food Packaging
1:00-3:00, Coyote Cafe

May 28th-30th

Camp Warm Beach, Stanwood

SERVICE PROJECT



Every year, the 5th Grade class participates in a service project, giving them a hands-on opportunity to reach out and help the community in a meaningful way. Our students will be raising funds to provide packaged meals at 25 cents per meal.

As in years past, our project is *Kids Feeding Kids & The Ready Relief Program*. This program is being coordinated by Children of the Nations, a nonprofit organization based in Siverdale, WA. Our students' goal is to raise \$3,000. Students can raise funds by collecting quarters, and through a variety of individual or group activities: Dog Wash, Bake Sale, Lemonade Stand, etc. More information will be available as we get closer to our **Kick-Off Meeting & Assembly on February 25th**.

CALLING ALL PARTY PEOPLE!

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the 5th grade cast-off party/afternoon of games and fun, please contact Kelly Huber at kellyahuber@aol.com. Thank you!

5th GRADE CAMP



Anxious to know if you can be a camp Chaperone? Mark your calendars and attend the parent info meeting on Tuesday, January 28th, 6-7pm in the Coyote Café. Find out if you will need to buy yourself a sleeping bag, and answers to many other questions about camp! Below are some bullet points:

- Camp Warm Beach in Stanwood, WA
- May 28th – May 30th
- Cost \$235/child
- An overwhelming vote of NO to fundraise (online voting in Sept)