

5th Grade News

Upcoming Dates To Remember:

- February—Newsletter Issue 2
- March 15th — Service Project (for students and volunteers) in Cafe
- April 4th—Deadline for pictures for ceremony slideshow
- April 22nd—Camp paperwork and payment due to your child's teacher
- Week of April 25th—Students designate their choices for cabin mates
- April 29th—Medical forms and medication due to school nurse
- April/May — Newsletter Issue 3
- May 16th—Teachers send home "Going Home- From Camp Plan" (due back May 21st)
- May 17th—Mandatory camp chaperone training at 6pm in portable 3
- June 1st — June 3rd at Camp Warm Beach in Stanwood
- June 14th — Cast-Off Ceremony at 8:45am at CRE
- June 14th — Class Party
- June 16th — Last Day of School!



Volunteering

We've had many parents graciously volunteer to help with 5th grade committees. Thank you!!! As the activities draw closer, we'll be asking for more parent volunteers within the newsletter articles—or you can let us know now if you're interested in volunteering.

5th Grade Service Project Update

During the week of February 22nd, we will kick-off our service project to the 5th grade students – we are so excited for them to learn more about Project Linus! This effort will be a hands-on opportunity to reach out and touch our local community in a meaningful way.

There are 3 aspects to the service project:

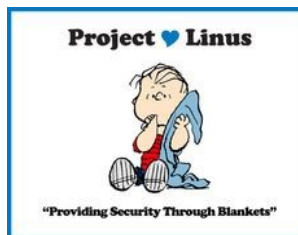
Fundraising (Feb 23rd – Mar 11th) - Our goal is for each student to raise ~ \$20 for a total 5th grade goal of \$2,500. These fundraising dollars will go toward purchasing fleece and supplies for blanket making. Students can raise funds* by collecting quarters (coin drive) and/or through a variety of other individual or group activities—Dog Wash, Bake Sale, Lemonade Stand, etc.

*if collecting checks, please make payable to CRE PTSA.

More information will be provided via email from your room coordinator about when and where to drop off fundraising dollars.

Blanket Making—On March 15th, the 5th grade classrooms will be divided into two sessions to participate in the hands-on activity of making fleece blankets. At this time, 5th graders will also write a personal note which will be attached to each blanket.

Donation—The hand-made blankets our students make will be donated to Project Linus for distribution to children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need.



These blankets provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort. Any funds left over from the fundraising effort will be donated to Eastside Baby Corner.

For more information about Project Linus, visit projectlinus.org and Eastside Baby Corner, visit baby-corner.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are looking for volunteers for both blanket making sessions on March 15th:

- Morning (*Blackard, Norton & Ullom*) 9:00am-10:30am
- Afternoon (*Page & Schaffer*) 1:00pm-2:30pm

Contact Dafna Tarlowe at d_tarlowe@yahoo.com

End of Year Party 6/14

We are looking forward to our end of year celebration at Lucky Strike in Bellevue!



Busses will be transporting the students from school following the cast-off ceremony on June 14th to Lucky Strike in Bellevue for an afternoon of bowling and lunch.

Students will have about 25 minutes following the cast-off ceremony to change into more comfortable clothing for bowling.

In order to cover the cost of transportation, lunch and bowling, the cost per student is \$25.00.

Lunch includes pizza, drink, fruit and treat.

Look for more details soon via email from your room coordinator regarding how to sign up and pay for the event.

Scholarship Information

For party scholarship information, please contact

Natalie Fowler

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Cast-Off Ceremony 6/14 at 8:45am

"What lies behind us, and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

The end of the 5th grade year at Cascade Ridge is a special time for students. It is celebrated with the cast-off ceremony followed by a much anticipated party and lunch. Please note that parents do not attend the party/lunch, only the cast-off ceremony.



If you have not attended a cast-off ceremony in the past you and/or your child may be curious about appropriate attire for the ceremony.

General dress guidelines:

Boys—No jeans or shorts. Dress pants with a polo or button down shirt.

Girls—Skirt, dress, or nice pants and blouse. Standard school dress code rules apply. Shoes should be comfortable enough that your daughter can easily walk up to receive her diploma.

Following the ceremony students will return to their classrooms where they will have about 25 minutes before buses depart to change out of their dress attire to Lucky Strike for the party.



Say "Cheese"

This year for the 5th grade slideshow, we would like to include pictures of the 5th graders throughout their entire time at Cascade Ridge. We will be taking photos throughout their 5th grade year, but we could use your help in providing photos from Kindergarten through 4th grade. Please upload no more than 3 pictures to the following site by Monday, April 4th.

[K-4th Grade Photos](#) (CTRL + click)

<https://onedrive.live.com/?authkey=%21ADAq09YTzOoV4ek&id=61D00F9AB202F69%2121202&cid=061D00F9AB202F69>

Camp Warm Beach June 1st—3rd



On February 2nd, the 5th grade teaching team presented a PowerPoint slide show regarding Camp Warm Beach, featuring photos and details of the fun filled 3 day curriculum.

Below are some bullet points—

- Health form were distributed and discussed.
- Teachers distributed camp information packets with important dates, payment information and required forms to be

completed for each student and turned back into their teacher.

- Teachers held camp chaper-one lotteries for their classes.



See "Upcoming Dates to Remember" on page 1 of this newsletter for important camp due dates.

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5th grade parent committee news and updates will come via 5th Grade News newsletters, Connection, Howler and are always accessible on the PTSA website under NEWS and FIFTH GRADE NEWS at:
www.cascaderidgeptsa.org

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