

5TH GRADE NEWS

Cascade Ridge Elementary
Sammamish, WA

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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 established to support the school administrative staff and 5th grade teachers in planning a memorable conclusion to our student's time at Cascade Ridge. This committee will coordinate various aspects of fifth grade 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 5th grade committees. Thank you!! As the activities draw closer, we'll be looking for more parent volunteers to pitch in. If you're interested, please let us know.

Upcoming issues of the "5th Grade News" will provide more details on the activities planned for our 5th graders. Look for future newsletters in February & April 2012. If you have any questions or comments in the meantime, feel free to contact us.

We look forward to working with you to make this year an exciting and memorable time for our fifth graders!

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5th Grade Committee Co-Chairs

SERVICE PROJECT

Every year, the 5th Grade Class has the opportunity to participate in a service project. This year our service project is *Kids Feeding Kids & The Ready Relief Program*. This is the same service project as last year and it was a huge success.

The 5th grade students will have a hands-on opportunity to reach out and help the community in a meaningful way.

More information will be available as we get closer to our Kick-off Meeting and Assembly with the 5th Graders, Friday, March 2nd at 1:15pm in the Cafe.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✓ Parent Meeting: *Tuesday, February 7th, 6-7pm in the Café*
- ✓ Service Project Kick-off Meeting/Assembly: *Friday, March 2nd, 1:15pm in the Café*
- ✓ Service Project Food Packaging: *Friday, March 16th, 1:15pm in the Café*
- ✓ 5th Grade Camp: *May 30th, 31st, June 1st, 2012*
- ✓ Cast-Off Ceremony & 5th Grade Party: *TBD*

5th Grade Parent Committee

Rachel Schnebele/Chrisann Penz
Helen DiMeco
Diana Verrue/Jaycee Cooper
Diane Moore/Stephanie Scott
Mary Jo Webb
Kim Streamer/Kristi Lincicome
Kathy Boll

Co-Chairs
Communications
Service Project
5th Grade Camp
Cast-Off Ceremony
Cast-Off Party
Slide Show

5th Grade Parent Committee News & updates may be communicated in periodic bulletins in the Howler/Coyote Connection. 5th Grade Newsletters and other related documents are always available on the PTSA website when you click on "News" and "5th Grade News" at:
<http://cascaderidgeptsa.org/>