



THE COYOTE CONNECTION

Parent Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

January

25th/26th	Class & Groups Pictures
27th	Coffee with Principal & GM Mtg 8:30am
27th	Love Logic CA Café 9:15am
27th	Chorus & Marimba Concert 6:30pm
28th	Fine Arts Night 6-8pm

February

1st-11th	Stanford Testing
4th	Dad's Play Day
15th	2nd Grade Concert 6:30pm
17th	Parent Kindergarten Info Night 6:30pm
21st-25th	President's Day/2nd Winter Break

March

2nd	Kindergarten Round-Up 2-6pm
3rd	Kindergarten Round-Up 10-3pm
4th	Dad's Play Day
9th	FDK Lottery 2:00pm
9th-23rd	CogAT Testing-2nd Grade
15th	4th Grade Concert 6:30pm



A Note from Natalie

This year, based on interest we received from students, staff and parents, our Site Council has decided to provide our students with the opportunity to vote on Cascade Ridge's school colors. Our Site Council brainstormed different color options and combinations and decided on three choices. These choices were selected because they represent who our students are today and where they are going in the future. The three choices are:

Choice 1: Beaver Lake Navy Blue, Skyline Green, and White - representing the middle and high school Cascade Ridge students will attend

Choice 2: Yellow (Gold), Skyline Green, and White - representing one of our present colors and adding the color where our students will attend high school

Choice 3: Black and Yellow (Gold) - our present school colors

Examples of the three choices will be on display in the Café this next week. Students will be voting next Friday, January 28th in their classrooms and the winning color choice will be announced the following week. The winning color choice will be used in the next Coyote Wear order in April.

We hope that students enjoy exercising their right to vote and look forward to seeing the results!

Natalie Fowler

SCHOOL NEWS



Mark your calendars and tell your neighbors...it's time to register Kindergartners for the 2011-2012 school year

Please note the following dates:

February 17th – New Parent Information Night 6:30pm – 7:30pm

March 2nd – Registration from 2-6 pm

March 3rd – Registration from 10am-3pm

March 8th @ 4pm FDK lottery requests due

March 9th @ 2pm lottery drawing

May 24th – New Kindergarten Family Open House 5-6pm

When you register your student please bring the following information:

- Proof of Residency (i.e. utility bill – lease agreement)
- Birth Certificate or Passport (**Student must be 5 by August 31, 2011**)
- Immunization Records

For more Kindergarten information please visit:

<http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/academics/Programs/kindergarten.aspx>

Students in Need of Dental Care:

Free Day of Dentistry on February 2, 5 and 8, 2011 but you must have an appointment.

A local dentist office is offering a free day of dentistry to students in need of dental care. If your child is without dental insurance and in need of dental care please contact your school nurse for more information.

PTSA NEWS

WANTED: Nominations for the 2011 Golden Acorn Awards - The Golden Acorn is a PTSA award given every year to outstanding volunteers for their service to our school and community. The Golden Acorn specifically recognizes the contributions individuals have made at Cascade Ridge Elementary and within our local community. This is an excellent way to honor our most dedicated volunteers. Please help us select outstanding volunteers from the Cascade Ridge community to receive a Golden Acorn Award this year by filling out the Nomination form. Forms are available at the school by the PTSA box, at the PTSA meeting on January 27th, or on our website (<http://cascaderidgeptsa.org/Article/View/54>). **Nomination forms must be turned into the PTSA box or emailed to Deanne King no later than February 11th.** The PTSA Golden Acorn Awards Committee will review the nomination forms received and make the final selections. Please feel free to contact Deanne King, ddaking@yahoo.com with any questions.

Calling All Young Scientists! – This week marks the 2011 Science Fair Kick-Off! The Science Fair Kick-Off Assembly was held on Wednesday, January 19th with the Pacific Science Center's Mobile Team in attendance. The **Science Fair will be held on Thursday, March 24th from 6:00-8:00pm in the Cascade Ridge gym** and is an opportunity for students to explore a science topic of their choice, work on their project at home and proudly display their work at the Fair on the evening of March 24th. All students K-3rd grade are encouraged to participate and participation is required for 4th & 5th graders. **Final registration deadline is March 4th for KG-3rd Graders and January 26th for 4th-5th graders.**

Visit the Cascade Ridge PTSA website (<http://cascaderidge.oursciencefair.com>) for lots of information about the Fair, creative ideas for topics, registration instructions, volunteer opportunities and more!

Upcoming Geography Bee – Volunteers Needed! – Cascade Ridge PTSA will be holding a Geography Bee the first week of March (dates TBD) and volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Please consider donating your time to this event. For more information about the Geography Bee and to volunteer contact Raghu Allepally at rallepally@gmail.com.

PTSA Meeting Reminder! – Mark your calendar: The next PTSA General Membership Meeting is on **Thursday, January 27th at 8:30am in the Coyote Cafe**. Don't miss this one! Discussion topics include review of and voting on ideas for spending accumulated funds, electing the 2011-2012 Nominating Committee and a special presentation, ***"In the Kitchen with Kids: Burn and Scald Prevention"***. Coffee and treats provided!

Fine Art and Food! - **Friday, January 28th** is the PTSA's Fine Arts Night from 6:00-8:00pm. Our theme this year is ***"Night at the Museum"*** so come and wander through the wings, see your child's artwork on display, and learn about the famous artists who inspire us! Pre-order dinner from Yoko's Teriyaki, which will be served in the Coyote Cafe. Each meal will include teriyaki chicken, rice, vegetables, two pot stickers, and a bottle of water. A vegetarian option is also available. The last day to order is **Tuesday, January 25th** so go to (<http://cascaderidgeptsa.org/Package/FineArtsNight>) and place your order now! Questions? Contact Jackie Mueller jackie.mueller1@comcast.net or Mary Jo Webb maryjowebb@yahoo.com.