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The Village Voice

This is our school, Let peace dwell here
Fill all the rooms with happiness.
As many hands do make a house,
So many hearts do make our school.



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Calendar of Events

January 2012

10 Tues

1:15 PM, All School Sing-a-long
3:00 PM, Heart of the Village Planning Meeting

11 Wed

6:30 PM, Parent Council Meeting – Internet Safety Program

12 Thurs

5:30 PM, Gr. 4 Parent Meeting
6:30 PM, Gr. 3 Parent Meeting

16 Mon

No School, MLK Jr. Day

17 Tues

10:55 AM, All School Lock Down Drill

18 Wed

5:30-7:00 PM, Board Meeting

24 Wed

1:30 PM, Volunteer Recognition Awards

26 Thurs

5:30-6:30 PM, Spaghetti Dinner, Fundraiser for Gr. 8 Class Trip
6:30-8:00 PM Talent Show Program
8:00-8:30 PM Clean Up

27 Fri

No School, Office Open -- Grading Day

31 Tues

Gr. 2 Parent Meeting (Time TBA)

February 2012

1 Wed

10:15 AM, Gr. 4 Play Performance
6:00-8:00 PM, Prospective Parent Information Meeting

2 Thurs

6:30 PM, Gr. 4 Play Performance

4 Sat

10:00 AM-12:00 PM, Prospective Parent Info. Meeting

8 Wed

6:30 PM, Parent Council Meeting

11 Sat

11:00 AM-2:00 PM, Heart of the Village

15 Wed

5:30-7 PM, Board Meeting

20 Mon

No School, Presidents Day

22 Wed

6-7:30 PM, Upper Grades Parent Info. Meeting

23 Thurs

6:30-7:15 PM. Gr. 5 Play Performance

24 Fri

10:15 AM, Gr. 5 Play Performance

27 Mon

No School, Conferences

28 Tues

No School, Conferences

Welcome back to school!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back everyone! With the arrival of the New Year come radiant and informative events at our exquisite school. Please check our school calendar regularly.

I appreciate all students arriving on time and being ready to learn and create as we transition back to school. In addition the office staff and a team of parent volunteers performed a lice check on students in grades K-4. Stay vigilant at home too -- so far so good. Currently we have no evidence of lice at school. Thank you.

Have you met your 40 hours of volunteer time at Village School yet? If so, plan on coming to our Volunteer Recognition, 1:30 – 2:00 PM, January 24. Individuals with 40 plus hours of volunteering will be honored with delicious treats and student performances. There will be another recognition event in June. There is still time for you to reach the required 40 hours. All students benefit when parents, guardians, and grandparents volunteer and do their part for our school community.

What a great start to the New Year. Each class and every student brings an extra ray of sunshine to the Village School.

Sincerely,
Bob Kaminski



Annual Giving Campaign

As we said at the Winter Concert, The Village School provides exceptional value to children and parents. The Annual Giving Campaign calls upon parents and extended family to help match the dedication of our teachers and staff in making the Village a truly valuable experience. Please give what you can. Brochures are available in the office and above the mailboxes.

Sincerely,
Andy Peara

Heart of the Village Planning Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 3:00-4:00 PM

You are welcome to come to the the planning meeting next Tuesday even if you have not previously been involved in the planning. The meeting will be held in Room 10, Jan. 10, Tuesday, 3:00-4:00pm.

There are many, many volunteer opportunities for this event, both in planning and on the actual day of the event, Saturday, 2/11, 11:00am-2:00pm.

The Heart of the Village celebration is a hands-on showcase of rich music, arts & crafts, and food from our students and school community!

Please be looking for communication from your classroom coordinator and our volunteer coordinator, Sherri Marineau regarding volunteer jobs and shifts.

Next Parent Council Meeting

January 11, 2012, 6:30-8:00 PM

Come to January's Parent Council meeting and learn about internet safety for your children and your computer.

Meeting business will run from 6:30-7:00pm. From 7:00-7:30pm, Andy Peara will go over how to protect your computer and the best software to use. Officer Williams of the Eugene Police Department will then speak from 7:30-8:00pm and teach parents ways to keep their kids safe on the internet.

You don't want to miss out on this highly informative evening. See you there!

Re-Enrollment Applications for 2012-2013 school Year Coming to Family Mailboxes

It is time to re-enroll your current student/s and submit a New Siblings Enrollment Application, before spaces are made available to first-time applicants in our 2012-2013 school year lottery.

These applications will be distributed to your family mailboxes on Monday, January 9.

In order to be certain that your family's enrollment needs are met, please follow ALL the steps on the re-enrollment application.

We are getting ready to host our Prospective Parent Information Meetings on Feb. 1 and 4. The lottery for the 2012-2013 school year is March 15, 2012.

If you have specific questions, please contact Cara.

Missing Swiss Army Knife!

At the Winter Concert a Parent Volunteer borrowed a red Swiss Army knife from 8th grade parent, Victoria Hedenstrom, and forgot to return it to her. If you are that parent and have the knife, can you please call Victoria on her cell phone at 720-427-4451. Thanks!

Missing Silver tin!

LOST from upper grade wing: Silver (metal) tiffin. It is a round, locking tin used for our daughter's lunch/snacks, and it will be costly--ouch!-- to replace. If you've seen it, please call us at 683-7141. Many thanks. Bev/Teresa/EI

Announcements

We are looking to rent 1/2 of our Duplex to a Village School family for the next six months. Rent is \$650 for a great 2 bedroom apartment with a large kitchen, covered parking, and yard space. The place is at 1438 W. 4th, a couple miles from the school.

If interested call Kate or Matt at 541-579-1875 or Email mattdillender@hotmail.com or communicateg@gmail.com.

Whole Earth Nature School is bringing back the popular after-school nature camp, "Coyote Kids!", to your school! (Register at: <http://CoyoteKids.Net>) Come to Coyote Kids! for the first time, or rejoin us and deepen your skills learned in prior sessions, as well as learning many new ones. Every Coyote Kids! nature camp is unique! Our program runs for nine weeks each season, once a week for two hours immediately following that day's release from school. Winter Coyote Kids begins the week of January 23rd. Cost: \$150.00. Scholarships are available. (See our website for your school's schedule and to register online: <http://CoyoteKids.Net>)

The Art of Mathematics

You are invited to Network Charter School's first ever Math Fair! The fair will be an opportunity for teachers, students (5th and 6th grades), and the general public to explore math through art and hands-on interactive activities. This free event will be held at 174 W. Broadway in Downtown Eugene, from 9:00 - 11:30 AM on January 19, 2012. To reserve a spot, RSVP by phone to 541-344-1229 or by email to denise@networkcharterschool.org.

After-School Exploring Arts for Kids:

Beginning 3:30 - 5:00pm, Weds., Jan. 18th, this six week class will feature clay, fused glass, mosaic, silk batik, painting, and felting. The cost is \$125.

Please email newsletter submissions to village@4j.lane.edu by Thursday afternoon.