

Late Breaking News, Thursday, January 28, 2010

There will be no school Friday, January 29th or Monday, February 1st due to Parent Conferences.

- **Parent Surveys:** please return the No Child Left Behind surveys by Wednesday, **February 3rd**. There is an envelope posted outside your child's classroom. It is labeled Oregon Department of Education parent Survey. When you put your completed survey in the envelope, please be sure to check off your name on the outside of the envelope. There are extra copies of the surveys outside of the school office and on the bulletin board of each classroom.
- **Re-enrollment:** If you have not yet re-enrolled your child(ren) for the 2010-11 school year, the deadline is Friday, **Feb. 5th at 3 pm**. Although new siblings receive priority for spots, they can only be admitted on a space available basis. In the event there are more sibling applicants than there are spaces, a lottery will be held to place those students in spots or on the wait list.
- **Thank you!** We would like to express our deepest gratitude and wish a heartfelt thank you to everyone who came out to help with our Site Clean Up!
- **Tonight** is the Second Grade Play at 6:30 PM!
- **Saturday** is the 14th Annual Alternative Education Fair, January 30, 1:00 - 4:00, at the Downtown Eugene Public Library: 10th & Olive. The fair offers parents, children, and teens a drop-in opportunity to learn about educational programs in Eugene and throughout Lane County.

Get information, meet, and talk with staff and student representatives from private schools, charter schools, Eugene School District 4-J alternative programs, and homeschooling organizations. Learn how to make the most of Eugene Public Library resources, such as the Live Homework Help professional tutoring service that is available online 7 days a week, free.

For more information, contact Eugene Public Library at (541) 682-8316 or www.eugene-or.gov/library.

- **Time Change:** The eighth grade play time has changed to 1:15 PM on Tuesday, March 9th. There will be another performance on Wednesday, March 10th at 7 PM.
- **The 7th/8th EWEB field trip** is on Wednesday, February 3rd and not 2/2 as previously reported.
- **Help for Haiti Penny Drive:** The 6th grade class has organized a penny drive to benefit UNICEF's relief efforts for children. Each of the grades has a jar for collecting pennies.

"KPF Consulting Engineers" has agreed to match the donation our children collect for the penny drive. Do you know another local business that would match The Village School's donation? If so, contact Megan Bassett at meganbeet@msn.com or call 541-543-9536

Also, does anyone have a large plastic water jug that can be donated for the cause? If so, please bring it to the office.

The last day for the penny drive will be Monday, February 8th. We will finalize our collection during the Heart of the Village celebration, Saturday, February 6th, so bring your loose change!

For more info on UNICEF's work visit: <http://www.unicefusa.org/news/news-from-the-field/>

- **Homework Club**: Join us every Wednesday after school in Room 10 until 4 PM.
- **Seventh and Eighth Grade Homework Help** is available Mon., Tues., Wed., and Fri. from 3-3:45 with Justin and Mr. T.
- **Territorial Seed Fundraiser** is happening now! If you love to garden, this is a great way to order your vegetable and flower seeds and help our school at the same time. The local Territorial Seed Co. donates a generous portion of every order made through this program to our school. Catalogs and order forms are on the table by the family mailboxes. Orders are due in the office by Friday, **Feb. 5th**.
- **Heart of the Village**: Please sign up to help with this wonderful event!

Don't forget about your class raffle basket: each classroom is responsible for its own theme and boxes will be placed in the classroom for donations collection.

Volunteers Needed: Entrance Attendants, Kitchen Crew Members, Lunch Ticket Attendants, Stage Crew Members and Clean-Up Crew Members. If you would like to sign up for any of these and are unable to come into the building, please contact Ashleigh in the office at 345-7285 and she will sign you up.

Also, the Bake Sale will need participation from everybody in order to make it a success! Please contact a Kindergarten Class Coordinator to donate your baked goods!

Kindergarten Roles and Responsibilities: Organize and staff bake & tea sale

1st Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Shadow Puppets Show: three performances, recycling

2nd Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Cake Walk: Set up, staff, and take-down Chinese dragon parade

3rd Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Valentine making, set up, staff, and break down room, purchase supplies

4th Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Salmon Dance

5th Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Food and Drinks, coordinate Celebration, fill in any gaps

6th Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Food and Drinks, coordinate Celebration, fill in any gaps

7th Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Improvisational Theatre, set up a cozy atmosphere to host story-telling, set up and break down rooms

8th Grade Roles and Responsibilities: Improvisational theatre-main stage, set up a cozy atmosphere to host story-telling, set up and break down rooms

2010 Heart of the Village Celebration Schedule of Events

Time	Main Stage	Room 1	Room 2	Room 4	Room 11	Room 12	Room 13	Room 14
11:00								
11:15	Marimba Performance		Cake Walk	Valentine Making				
11:30		Puppet show	Cake Walk	Valentine Making	"Wee-folk" story-telling Yvonne Young	Geometric Workshop		
11:45	Choir Performance		Cake Walk	Valentine Making				
12:00	Salmon Dance		Cake Walk	Valentine Making			Face Painting	
12:15								
12:30	"Michael Fever" followed by a Breakdance Workshop		Cake Walk	Valentine Making	Story-telling Yvonne Young			
12:45			Cake Walk	Valentine Making				
1:00	"Invincible Vince"				"Wee-folk" Story-telling Yvonne Young			Improv Theatre
1:15			Cake Walk					
1:30		Puppet show			Story-telling Yvonne Young			
1:45			Cake Walk					
2:00								
2:15	Wan Tan Naro Performance		Cake Walk					
2:30								
2:45								
3:00								

- Volunteer Opportunities:** Ashleigh in the office is working hard to help all families find meaningful ways to get involved! Some ways include: Class play rehearsals, Festivals, Field trips, and Teacher assistance. Thanks, Ashleigh!
- The Village School's Student Work will be on Display at the Library:** For the months of February and March, the Eugene Public Library will display samples of Village School students' work. The Handwork Teachers are asking students to lend some of their completed projects from Handwork Class. It's a great way to share our student's accomplishments with the larger community. Please drop Handwork items,

clearly labeled with the student's name and grade in Room 10. Please note: Send only items that have not previously been shown at the library. They will be returned to the students at the beginning of April.

- **The Children's Program Initiative to Bring Dental Services to Uninsured Students:** ODS and the Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB) are launching an effort, The Children's Program, to provide access to basic dental services for uninsured 6-12 year olds at no charge once they have been enrolled in the program. Please contact Ilana for more information: (541)345-7285.

Gentle Reminders

- **Supervision:** The school day ends at 2:45 PM. There will be no supervision provided after 3 PM.
- **Please review your Student Handbook and Discipline Procedures.**
- **Parents of grades K-3:** Please walk your children into the wing and pick them up outside the classroom at the end of the day.
- **E1550.01 - Limitations Regarding Animals**

Rule: No animals, including dogs or cats, shall be allowed in school buildings or grounds while school is in session unless specifically permitted by the Principal or administrator, and proof of appropriate and/or current rabies vaccination is provided. Animals are not allowed to be on District property for any other time frames or reasons. This limitation applies to faculty, staff, and student pets as well as those of the public.

Animals granted permission to be in classrooms, buildings, or grounds will be allowed access only for a specified and appropriate educational purpose for the time necessary to achieve the educational goal. When permission is granted to allow an animal into a classroom or building, the health and safety of students and staff must be given the highest consideration.

Animals are not to be kept in buildings during school vacations, breaks, or extended holidays. Any exceptions must be obtained from the Principal or site administrator.