

## Adams Elementary School Weekly News

September 15, 2009

Hello Adams Families!

Welcome to the 2009-10 school year. Here's your weekly update on happenings and important news at our school.

### **RETURN YOUR DIRECTORY AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION FORM BY SEPTEMBER 24**

This weekly newsletter, along with the School Messenger phone messages, the monthly newsletter, our Facebook page and our web site, is one of your key links in knowing what is happening at your child's school. Please complete the Directory and Electronic Communication Information form that was in your PTA packet and return to the office by September 24 so you won't miss a bit of information!

### **WELCOME NEW ADAMS STAFF**

Adams Elementary is welcoming four new staff members this year: Jessica Lim (2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher), Daniel Barkely (5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher), Margreet DeLeeuw (5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher), and Richard Warford (PE teacher). We are also pleased to announce that Joseph Skillings is returning to Adams. He will be working with Mr. DeFelice (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade). If you see them around school, please give them a warm Adams welcome!

### **EAGLE'S NEST NOW OPEN DAILY 8:45 - 9:15 A.M. AND 2:45 - 3:15 P.M. RAISE MONEY FOR ADAMS WHILE YOU DO YOUR WEEKLY SHOPPING**

The Eagle's Nest, the office located across from room 211, offers a variety of gift cards and merchandise that raise funds for Adams and help you take care of your weekly shopping. **SCRIP** is a big part of the fundraising we do at Adams and it is so easy to do. All you do is buy gift cards for the shopping you already do and restaurants you dine at (ie Fred Meyer, QFC, PCC, Home Depot, and Snoose Junction, Taco Time, Great Harvest, Lombardi's, Ray's, Azteca and dozens more), and Adams receives a percentage of the purchase price (anywhere from 2-17%). We also have gift cards for entertainment, automotive, crafts, and clothing stores, plus national chains. You can also show your school pride with Adams tees and sweatshirts, or pick up some gourmet coffee and Theo chocolate to enjoy at home. Contact Linda Salvesen at [ljsalvesen@comcast.net](mailto:ljsalvesen@comcast.net) for more info.

### **PTA MONTHLY PLANNING MEETING TONIGHT, SEPTEMBER 15 AT 6:30 P.M.**

The PTA Monthly Planning Meeting will be held tonight in the teacher's lounge at school.

### **CURRICULUM NIGHT BEGINS AT 6:30 PM SEPT 24**

Please join us for Curriculum Night beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 24. Meet in the cafeteria for teacher introductions, followed by a visit to each classroom. There will be three 20-minute sessions during which teachers will explain their individual plans to parents.

### **1:20 EARLY DISMISSAL WEDS, SEPT 30**

Classes will end two hours early at 1:20 pm Weds, September 30. Buses will run on an early schedule. If you pick up your child at school or bus stop, please ensure you are on time.

**NEW STONE SOUP THEATRE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR EALY DISMISSAL DAYS**

Adams is partnering with Stone Soup Theatre to offer after school drama fun on our first two early dismissal days, Sept 30 and Oct 28. The theatre will offer programs appropriate to all ages. Watch your child's backpack mail for more details on this and the other after school programs that will begin session Monday, October 12.

**PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT ON EVERYDAY MATHEMATICS, MON OCT 5, 6:30 – 8:30 PM**

Come join us for a Parent Education Night on Everyday Mathematics. Math coaches from the Seattle School District will join us to discuss the philosophical concepts that drive the EDM curriculum, the work that kids are doing at each grade level, and strategies for helping kids with their EDM homework. We will also have break-out sessions for each grade level. For more information, contact Jen Engelke ([jen.engelke@septon.net](mailto:jen.engelke@septon.net)).

**OTHER IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS**

Picture day, Thurs. October 8

First General PTA Meeting Thurs, Oct 15, 6:30pm

Family Game Night, Fri, Oct 23, 6:30 pm

All School Halloween Parade, Fri, Oct 30, 2:00 pm

#####

*To receive these newsletters, distributed on Tuesdays, electronically or to change your email address, notify [adamsnewsletters@hotmail.com](mailto:adamsnewsletters@hotmail.com) Send items for the newsletter to [adamsnewsletter@hotmail.com](mailto:adamsnewsletter@hotmail.com) by noon on Tuesdays.*

*For more Adams Elementary news and for news from our community partners, visit our website at <http://www.seattleschools.org/schools/adams/index.shtml>.*

*Give your time and talents by volunteering at school. There is something for everyone. Visit [www.seattleschools.org/schools/adams/Volunteers.shtml](http://www.seattleschools.org/schools/adams/Volunteers.shtml) for ideas and opportunities.*

*Become our fan on Facebook! We're listed under Adams Elementary PTA.*

