

Home Bulletin January 2, 2007



From Awnie Thompson, Principal
Congratulations to our 2nd - 5th grade students who were elected to our 06-07 Student Council. One of the first topics for the council is suggestions on how to spend our \$25,000 Academic Achievement Award.

Room 16

Kobi Teurn
Cheryl Padillo
alternate-Jackie Trenh

Room 15

Mikeil Metcalf
Victor Garcia
alternate-Jessica Tran

Room 20

Clayton Mubangu
Linh Huynh
alternate-Dale Baker

Room 17

Christopher Ignacio
Jehrome Adonis
alternate-Karen Ly

Room 19

Alfred Fuentes
alternate-Kathleen Le

Room 4

Ken Masumoto
alternate-Jamaica Gardner

Room 6

Sophia Boyd-Fliegel
alternate-Elise Van Deventer

Room 5

Malinn Pa
alternate-Alissa Keomany

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Attendance Line**

Student Reading Night

Tonight is the first Student Reading Night at Starbuck's for the 06-07 year. Students can sign up at 6:00 pm and the readings are from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. All students are welcome to come to Columbia City Starbuck's and read their original writing. All readers receive a free hot chocolate.

Important Dates

- Jan. 2 Student Reading Night at Columbia City Starbucks 6:00 pm
- Jan. 3 PTA meeting 6:00 pm
- Jan. 4 Parent Discussion Group
- Jan. 5 School Banking, Free Choice Dress Day and assembly at 10:00 am
- Jan. 6 Kindergarten Fair at JSCEE
- Jan. 9 Powerful Schools classes and tutoring begins
- Jan. 12 School Banking
- Jan. 15 MLK birthday observed - NO SCHOOL

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR STUDENTS IN ALL GRADES

January 16 – February 28, 2007

Apply at any time during Open Enrollment to receive priority assignment for September 2007. Current 5th and 8th grade students going to middle or high school next year will receive an Enrollment Guide and school application form in the mail. Applications can be returned by mail, by fax, or in person. (If you don't receive mail for your 5th or 8th grader by the end of January, check with an Enrollment Center to be sure we have your current address.)

CITYWIDE KINDERGARTEN AND MIDDLE SCHOOL FAIR

Saturday, January 6, 2007 (9:00 am to noon)

Stanford Center at 2445 Third Avenue South (3rd and Lander – South of Safeco Field, two blocks east of Sears)

This citywide Kindergarten and Middle School Fair features school exhibits and enrollment information. Talk to school representatives and enrollment specialists. Attend a presentation and get your questions answered. Bilingual staff will be available to serve as interpreters and to answer questions.

PTA Update

Community News

PTA MEETING

Our next PTA meeting is **tomorrow**, Wednesday, January 3. We meet from 6:00-8:00 pm in the library. Remember, ALL are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there!

FUNDRAISING LETTER UPDATE

Responses to the fundraising letter are still coming in! Thanks to those who have distributed the letters. Some employers match contributions which doubles the dollars to us; be sure to ask at work, or ask others who may contribute, if their employer matches gifts. Contributions will be welcome all year!

WASHINGTON LEARNS REPORT

The Washington Learns committee has released "Washington Learns: World-Class, Learner Focused, Seamless Education," the final report of an 18-month comprehensive study of education in Washington. The report can be found at <http://www.Washingtonlearns.wa.gov/>

SCHOOL LEVY & BOND CAMPAIGN

Next February 6, Seattle voters will be asked to renew the Seattle Public Schools Operating Levy and approve a Capital Bond, which replaces an expiring Capital Levy.

TechStart is an exciting after-school program aimed at offering kids enriched opportunities to work with technology. Our curriculum blends the latest technologies with well-crafted academic lessons that invite students grades K-8 to fully engage themselves with the tools of the 21st Century. Our goal is also to provide underserved communities with opportunities to interact with technology in ways that are useful to future success.

It is a great honor to be back in Columbia City, Rainier Beach, and Judkins Park neighborhoods. With the help and cooperation of schools, libraries, and community centers, we can once again act as a knowledge center, bringing important lessons to the children of our community.

We want every child who is interested in – or who might become interested in – science, technology, engineering and math to know there is a program out there for him or her.

TAF is now accepting applications from students grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8, for the after-school program, Tech-Start. If you like computers and you want to build your own web-sites, take digital photographs, report on current events, create digital artwork, or learn to use computers to do whatever you want, then this is the program for you! Go online to www.techaccess.org, and start the year off right, at TechStart.

Parent Discussion Group - Reminder

Neighborhood House (a 100 year old social service agency located in the Rainier Vista community) will be holding a parent discussion group for parents of John Muir students of all ages:

When: Thursday, January 4 from 3:00 - 4:00 pm

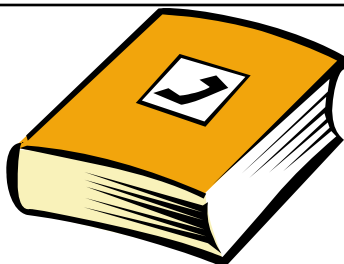
Where: John Muir Library

Why: You are your child's most important teachers - your involvement with their education can improve their academic achievement!

Possible topics: Helping your child be ready to learn each day, helping with homework, volunteering at school, reading with your child....bring your ideas, interests, and concerns.

Come learn more and contribute to John Muir's new Parent Discussion Group! *Interpreters will be provided as needed*

Last call to be in the school family directory!



The John Muir Directory is about to go to print. It will be distributed to our families for personal use only. If you want to be listed but did not return the blue form, it is not too late. Send your name, child's name, address and phone to Lara Macklin at mlmacklin@yahoo.com