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March 14, 2007



From Awnie Thompson, Principal
Today is the second day of conferences. I enjoy hearing all the good news that teachers are sharing with families about their students' success in school! Thank you for supporting our Spring Conferences and for making time to be here for those conferences. If you have to miss your conference time, please call the office and please reschedule!

Don't miss other pages highlighting upcoming events - March is a happening month!

Have you checked out our website lately? It is great! Check it out at www.seattleschools.org/schools/muir

Important Dates

- Mar. 13 - 16, Parent/teacher conferences, **early release for students at 1:05 pm**
- Mar. 15, Which Way Seattle - see flyer
- Mar. 16, School Banking
- Mar. 17, Roving Reptiles at MBCC 10:30 am
- Mar. 19 - 23, Math curriculum available for review
- Global Reading Challenge, 1st Round
- Mar. 23, School Banking
- Mar. 24, Sat. Family Concerts: Koto World at Town Hall
- Mar. 27, Math Night

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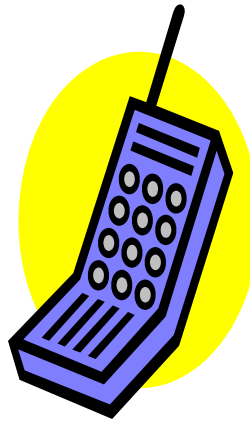
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John Muir School
3301 South Horton St.
Seattle, WA 98144
Attendance Line

Cell Phone Policy

We are seeing an increasing number of cell phones coming to school. While the safety and convenience of being in contact with your student is very reassuring, the potential for distraction, and disruption in the classroom is overwhelming. Our policy is that all cell phones are to be turned off, not just silenced, during the day and stored in the student's backpack. Anytime you need to reach your student during the day, please call the main office and we get the student from class or take a message depending on the situation. We cannot have students accessing their cell phones during the school day.



Math Curriculum Review

The Elementary Math Adoption Committee has decided on two curricula for review and evaluation by teachers, administrators, and families. They are Investigations and Everyday Math. Next week, March 19 - 23, the new revised editions will be available for screening at John Muir. The committee is asking for feedback from families as well as school staff in order to make the best decision. A form will be available with the materials to give your feedback. If you want additional information, contact Mrs. Thompson.



PTA Update

FAMILY MATH NIGHT

Join us for Family Math Night and brief PTA meeting Tuesday, March 27 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Food, Fun, Games, Entertainment and Raffle Drawings as well as access to the Book Fair. Raffle ticket stubs and money are due back to school by Friday, March 23!!

Here are some of the exciting raffle prizes: autographed basketball from 2005-06 Seattle Super Sonics, autographed Muir T-Shirts by former Seattle Mariner, Dan Wilson, movie passes, 1 hour massage from Dahlia Spa, 1 night stay @ Harbor Inn/Whidbey Island, 2 Zoo passes, Dog Mania pet store gift card, Bookworm Exchange bookstore gift card, 2 free meals to Roy's BBQ, 3 kids XL uniform shirts, 3 autographed Ella the Elephant books, hand knit and bags/scarf set... and many other surprises!! **SELL THOSE RAFFLE TICKETS!!**

3RD ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

The Third Annual Book Fair Monday March 26 thru Wednesday March 28. We need help to set the fair on Thursday, March 22, starting after school. We also need help to cover shifts (26th: 10:30 am to 1:00 pm and 1:00 to 4:00 pm; 27th: 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 12:30 to 4:00 pm; 28th: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm) and take down the fair (help repack boxes) on Friday March 30 after school. If you are able to assist in any fashion, please contact LaKeshia Kimbrough at LadyDove93@aol.com or leave a note in the office with your contact information. Thank you.

SEATTLE COUNCIL PTSA NEWS

Community Conversations with the Superintendent, Chief Academic Officer and Chief Operating Officer- March 22 and April 3

Discussion to Focus on Academic Plan and Family/Community Engagement Families, staff and community members are invited to attend the second in a series of community conversations that will focus on the future of Seattle Public Schools.

Meetings are scheduled for:

Thursday, March 22, 6:30 to 8:30 pm
Brighton Elementary School, 6725 45th Ave S.

Tuesday, April 3, 6:30 to 8:30 pm
Roosevelt High School, 1410 NE 66th Street

Interpreters, childcare, and light refreshments will be available. For more information, visit http://www.seattlecouncilptsa.org/article_69.shtml and <http://www.seattlecouncilptsa.org/uploads/flyercommunityconversations.pdf>

Co-sponsored by Seattle Council Parent-Teacher-Student Association and Seattle Public Schools

SCPTSA General Meeting Monday, March 26 7:00-9:00 pm at Stanford Center - 2445 3rd Avenue South

The topic will be the Seattle Public Schools' budget formula, and current efforts to distribute funds equitably and effectively. Also - election of Nominating Committee for 2007-08 SCPTSA officers!

2007/08 PTA BOARD

We are currently recruiting for next year's PTA board. We are looking for recommendations to fill the following board positions. Please remember that the positions may be held jointly and that you may recommend yourself for any position.

Our current President is evaluating her schedule to determine whether or not she can continue in this role next year. However, you may still make recommendations for this position.

The remaining positions are:

Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary
Membership Chair
Legislative Chair F
Fundraising Chair
Community Liaison

(we would like to have liaisons from the cluster area of which we are a part. We currently have a Mt. Baker liaison and would like to add the southern neighborhoods that we service also)