



Hawk Talk

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Early Release – Wednesday, March 1st
School releases at 12:05pm
No Preschool

Science Fair



Science Fair is next Wednesday, March 1st, 2017.

The event begins at 6:00. Judges are asked to arrive between 5:30 and 5:50. We need more judges! Please contact Ms. O'Halloran at ohalloranj@osd.wednet.edu. **Event ends at 7:00.**

Unless otherwise instructed by your classroom teacher, don't forget to bring your Science Fair exhibit to school on **Wednesday morning, March 1st**. The gym will be open early at **6:30 am** to make it easier for parents to drop off displays. Mrs. L. Johnson and Ms. O will be on hand to direct students to assigned tables. Parents, please make arrangements for your child(ren) until the bells ring at 8:55 signaling the official start of the school day. We will not be able to provide childcare.



Trifolds may be transported by school bus. Other oversized or fragile items may not be transported by school bus.

That night, the event begins at 6:00pm with the first of four rounds of judging starting at 6:10. **Parking may be difficult. The City of Olympia will keep the gates to LBA Park open for overflow.** Exercise caution crossing the street to McKenny!



Students will receive a passport at the door. While waiting for their assigned times, students and families may wander around the gym enjoying a variety of displays. **Students may redeem completed passports for a complimentary snack.**



Students, Don't forget to practice your presentation. Be prepared to answer questions about your scientific thinking. A sample evaluation form that the judges will use is on page 4 of your information packet. Here's a link

http://mckenny.osd.wednet.edu/media/mckenny//science_fair.pdf

Parents, We thank you in advance for your support and encouragement of curiosity! We hope that you enjoy the Science Fair with as much anticipation as the kids do. We are grateful for the supervision you will provide to your child(ren) during the event. *See you next week!*

Jump Rope for Heart envelopes due to the office no later than Tuesday, February 28th.

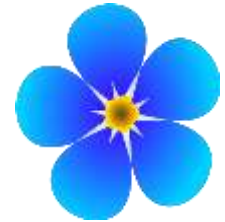
The 100 Mile Club

Congratulation to the following students for passing 100 miles in our walking club: Kevin S – 125; Jack B -110.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Spring Conferences

Spring Conferences will be upon us soon! Parent/teacher conferences will be held Tuesday, March 28th through Friday, March 31st. Student release time is 12:05. Please do not bring siblings (younger or older) in to the conference. Siblings may read in the pod area or look around at the book fair. **Also, AM/PM Preschool will not meet Tuesday through Thursday, March 28th – March 30th.**



McKenny's On-Line Conferencing will begin scheduling using Skyward's Family Access.

In order for the process to work smoothly, we request that **families with more than one sibling at McKenny sign up on Monday, March 6th & Tuesday, March 7th** and that **all other families wait until Wednesday, March 8th. Scheduling will be open through Wednesday, March 22nd.** This will ensure that those who require more than one conference can schedule them back to back. Please be aware that most students who see Ms. Wilson in Special Services will be scheduled in advance, due to her need to be in all those conferences and the conferences that need interpreters will also be scheduled in advance.

Each conference time is only 20 minutes long. This is essential to allow time to prepare for the next conference, so please arrive on time. Thank you - our teachers are looking forward to meeting with you!

Please feel free to contact Debbie in the office at (360) 596-8400 if you are having trouble with scheduling a conference. Thank you!

Scholastic Book Fair

Visit the book fair in the library before or after your child's conference on **Tuesday through Thursday 11:00 to 6:00 & Friday 11:00 to 4:00pm**. There are great books again this year!

Olympia Junior Program

The following is the schedule for our students to attend the Olympia Junior Programs at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts. Students will depart the school 30 minutes prior to show time and will arrive back at McKenny approximately two hours later. **Please schedule appointments for after school time on these days!**

1st, 2nd grades & DLC's

3rd, 4th & 5th grades

3rd, 4th & 5th grades

Peter Rabbit Tales

Wings of Courage

The Incredible Undersea Trial of Joseph P. Lawnboy

Wednesday, March 8th @ 10:00

Tuesday, March 21st @ 12:30

Wednesday, April 19th at 10:00

Admission fee for 2 plays is \$10.00. Please make sure you have signed and sent in the OJP envelope. The signed envelope is your student's ticket into the performance.

Spring Forward

Sunday, March 12th turn your clocks ahead 1 hour!

Fifth Grade Parent Night at Washington Middle School

Monday, March 13th @ WMS gym at 6:00 PM

5th Grade FamOLY Choir Concert

Tuesday, March 14th at 6:00pm at **Olympia HS Performing Arts Center**.

Battle of the Books

The **Final Battle** will be held in the multipurpose room at an intermediate assembly on Friday morning, March 10th. Three final teams from each grade level (4th & 5th) will battle in front of third, fourth, and fifth grade students. A championship team will be decided from each grade level. The assembly will be held beginning at **9:15**. At the conclusion, the champions will be awarded medals.

Attention: Vaccination Requirements

Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis) and Varicella (Chicken Pox)

Washington State Department of Health requires all children **entering sixth grade** or who are **11 years old** to show proof of Tdap and Varicella vaccinations.

If your child has a check-up this spring, see if you need this vaccination. Call the office or send a note with the date so that we can update your child's health records.

Mark your Calendars for Fifth Grade Outdoor School

Our fifth grade students will be attending Outdoor School at the Cispus Environmental Center in Randle, Washington, **April 12th, 13th & 14th**. This will be a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday trip. The Center has been developed specifically for student's environmental studies and has excellent facilities for both study and research.

Cost is \$150.00 per student. If you need to make payments, please call Debbie in the office to set up a payment plan. Also, if your student needs to take a prescription or over-the-counter medicine, the medicine and doctors permission form needs to be at school by Friday, March 31st.

Creativity Festivity

We are excited to invite you to our annual "Creativity Festivity" event. This celebration of the arts will be held on April 27th from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. The focus of the Creativity Festivity this year is "Art from Around the World".

During this evening event parents and students will have the chance to view art that students have produced that is inspired by different regions of our world. Attendees will also have the opportunity to participate in the creation of art. The production of art will happen at different tables set up in the gym.

We will be looking for volunteers to help with this event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Bonnie Hauschka at bhauschka@osd.wednet.edu.

Fire Hydrants by Parking Lot Entrance and Playground Entrance

Parents when picking up students, **whether remaining in your car or parking**, please do not block the fire hydrants by either entrance. This is a safety concern for McKenny. Thank you!



Student Emergency Kits

The Safety Committee at McKenny has decided to return to having Student Emergency Kits on site in each classroom for each student. The kits will be used in the event of a disaster. The following is a list of what could be included in your student's kit: 1 bottle of water, 1 bottle of juice, 3 nonperishable foods: choice of granola bars, energy bars, fruit roll-ups; items for child to use: markers or crayons and paper, book, cards; Personal family comfort reminder such as a family photo or letter and 1 large garbage bag (to be used as a rain poncho). We would like to have students bring in their Emergency Kits beginning in January. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Debbie in the office.

Rice Krispies Treats Sales

We will be selling Rice Krispies Treats **March 3, 10 and 24th, April 21, May 5, and 19, June 2 and 16**. Remember, Rice Krispies Treats are sold on a cash only basis. 50¢ per bar.



Kindergarten Registration Fall 2017 - 18

Registration forms available starting – March 27

Return registration forms starting – March 28

A Taste of Kindergarten (Open House) at McKenny – June 8 at 11:00

March

1	Early Release @ 12:05	15	WMS to visit 5 th grade
	Science Fair @ 6:00	20	OSD School Board mtg @ 6:30 Jefferson MS
3	Rice Krispies Treats for sale during lunches	21	OJP 4 th & 5 th grades @ 12:30
	Water quality testing – Lloyd @ 3:22	22	Hauschka Service Club @ 3:22
6	OSD School Board mtg @ 6:30 @ Knox	24	Rice Krispies Treats for Sale during lunches
8	OJP – 1 st and 2 nd grades and DLC @ 10:00		PTO Movie Night
10	BOB final @ 9:15	28-31	Early Release @ 12:05 – Parent Teacher Conferences
	Rice Krispies Treats for sale during lunches	28-31	Book Fair – Library
13	5 th grade Parent night @ WMS @ 6:00	31	Hawk Talk sent home
14	5 th grade famOLY performance @ 6:00		
	PTO mtg @ 6:30		

Notice of Nondiscrimination 2016-17 School Year

The Olympia School District will provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without discrimination based on race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. District programs will be free from sexual harassment. Auxiliary aids and services will be provided upon request to individuals with disabilities.

The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies, reports of alleged sexual harassment, concerns about compliance, and/or grievance procedures: **Jeff Carpenter, Title IX Officer**, (360) 596-8544; **Kari Lewinsohn, Section 504 and ADA Coordinator**, (360) 596-7538; and **Scott Niemann, Affirmative Action Officer and Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator**, (360) 596-6193. All three individuals may also be contacted at 1113 Legion Way S.E., Olympia, WA, 98501.

PTO

5th Grade Baby Photos for Yearbook

Attention parents of McKenny 5th graders! Now's a good time to start thinking about which baby picture you'd like to submit for the 2016-17 yearbook. Debbie Doherty and Kathy Chavez, our Yearbook Committee, needs your photos e-mailed to Debbie directly at ddoherty@osd.wednet.edu. Photos are due no later than April 11, 2017.

McKenny PTO Carnival is approaching!!

The annual Carnival is Saturday, May 6th from 5:30-8:00. We need parent volunteers to make this a successful event! We need help with the prep, committee members, set up and tear down the day of, and also staffing the various stations during the event. Please contact carnival chairs Kelsey and Sarah at Kelsey.d.ferg@gmail.com or mollas@comcast.net if you're interested in helping.

Movie Night: March 24th

Our last movie night was amazing! We are looking forward to our next movie night on Friday, March 24th!! Movie Night is \$5 for the first student and \$4 for each additional student. Stay tuned for movie choice and details!! Price includes an intermission popcorn snack, drink and licorice.

Attention Amazon Shoppers!

Love to shop on Amazon? Love to support your favorite PTO? Well, we have the program for you! McKenny PTO is now available to designate as your favorite organization on AmazonSmile. Each time you make a purchase on Amazon.com, they will donate a portion of the purchase to our PTO! Simply visit smile.amazon.com and designate "McKenny Parent Teacher Association" as your organization of choice!!

Box tops!!

Mrs. Ayre's 2nd grade class won the contest with bringing in over 300 Box Tops! We will celebrate in March for Light Saber Ice Pops. Thank you to all the students, staff and families for clipping and collecting Box Tops. Additional collections will happen in April and June before school lets out, so keep saving them up!

Save the Date!!



The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, March 14th at 6:30 in the library. Feel free to attend just to observe or come and share your ideas. We always need volunteers too! If you're interested in giving a little of your time to the PTO, please contact the PTO Co-Presidents Frank and Kamy at etnpnys@gmail.com and kamy726@gmail.com.