McKenny Elementary
Weekly Tidbits and Reminders

January 16, 2009

McKenny Winter Program Rescheduled
Everyone is invited to our Winter Program on **Wednesday, January 21st at 2:30pm** in the multi-purpose room. We will be performing and having lots of fun!

**Band and Orchestra Concert Rescheduled**
Please mark your calendars for **Thursday, January 22nd at 9:30am**. McKenny’s very own orchestra and band will be performing a concert in the multi-purpose room.

**Lost and Found** – Our racks are full, please check our lost and found for any missing items. We will be donating the left over items to the clothing bank after the Winter Program.

**No School** – Monday, January 19th. We will be observing Martin Luther King, Jr. day.

**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. Please check your child’s backpack for the permission slip and payment envelope.

- Grades 3, 4 & 5: “From the Mixed up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler” on Monday, February 23rd at 12:30pm
- Grades 1 & 2: “Anansi the Spider” on Friday, February 27th at 9:30am
- Grades 1 & 2: “Goldilocks & the Three Bears” on Wednesday, March 11th at 12:30pm
- Grades 3 & 4: “The Lion, TheWitch & the Wardrobe” on Wednesday, May 13th at 12:30pm

**Parent Reminders** – The office would like to remind our families of the following:
- Label all coats, sweatshirts, etc.
- Please call the attendance line early at 596-8403 to report an absence or tardy.
- Get a doctor’s authorization for any medications to be taken at school; this includes but is not limited to over-the-counter medications such as cough drops, Benadryl, Tylenol and any medication filled by pharmacists.
- Always check the district website for school happenings at [http://osd.wednet.edu](http://osd.wednet.edu)

**Cold Weather Attire** – The mornings are getting frosty and average daily temperatures are dropping and staying low for most of the day. We do encourage students to wear coats when going to recess. We ask that parents also remind their children to wear their coat and gloves at recess. Please note that although hats are not worn in the building or class, children are of course permitted to wear them out at recess or when coming and going to school.

**PTO News**
**McKenny Carnival** – The date has been set for the carnival, Saturday, May 2nd. If you are interested in volunteering to head up a committee for the carnival, please contact Christine Swanson at 438-2032.

**Missoula Children’s Theater** – We are scheduled to host the Missoula Children’s Theater January 26th – 30th with performances on Saturday, January 31st. Auditions for Missoula Children’s Theatre production of “Rumpelstiltskin” are held on **Monday, January 26th from 3:30 to 5:30pm** in the Multipurpose Room. There are roles for students in Kindergarten through 5th grade. **No advance preparation is necessary, it is a group audition.** Rehearsals will be conducted every day from 3:30 to 7:30pm in the Multipurpose Room. Those auditioning must have a clear schedule for the entire week and if selected, be able to attend all rehearsals required for their role. Rehearsal schedules will be distributed at the audition. If you have questions, please contact CT Moen at 943-1288.

**Gift Cards** – We have 1 package of the multi picture cards available and 1 package of Mrs. Stead’s class cards available. Please see the office if interested.

**5th Grade Baby Pictures for Yearbook** – It is time to staring turning in baby pictures of our 5th graders. The yearbook staff would like 1 baby picture per 5th grade student. Please turn in the picture with the students name on the back into the office in an envelope marked yearbook. **Also, these pictures will not be returned to you.** Thanks. Any questions, please call Brittney Martin at 459-5507.

**Have A Great Weekend**