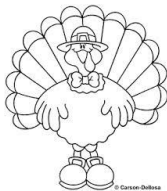




# Hawk Talk

**Michael Havens, Principal**  
**November 22, 2016**  
**(360) 596-8400 Office**  
**(360) 596-8403 Student Absent/Late Line**  
**Website: <http://mckenny.osd.wednet.edu/>**



**No School**

**Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, November 23 - 25 for Thanksgiving Break!**

**Early Release – Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

School releases at 12:05pm

No Preschool

*Mckenny Elementary presents:*

Winter Music Performance

Friday, December 9, 2016 – 2:00pm

*Please come enjoy performances from:*

Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> grade music – with Mrs. Berets

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade music – with Mrs. Berets

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade Orchestra – with Ms. Sartori

5<sup>th</sup> grade Band – with Mr. Holder

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade Choir – with Mrs. Brown

## **Vision & Hearing Screening - Volunteers Needed!**

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Lion's Club vision and hearing screenings on **Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 2:30pm**. Please call Debbie in the office if you can volunteer.

## **The One Hundred Mile Club**

Congratulations to the following students for their achievement in the 100 Mile Club, Kevin S – 65 miles; Jack B – 45 miles; Caleb P – 30 miles; Gresham D – 25 miles and Elliott Y – 25 miles. Way to go guys!

## **Winter Break**

No school December 19<sup>th</sup> 2016 – January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017. School resumes on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 at 9:00am.

## McKenny to Assist OHS in the Annual Canned Food Drive!

Starting Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> through Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> we will be helping Olympia High School with their annual Canned Food Drive. The food drive will support our local Thurston County Food Bank. Please help by donating cans and other non-perishable foods.

## Student Emergency Kits

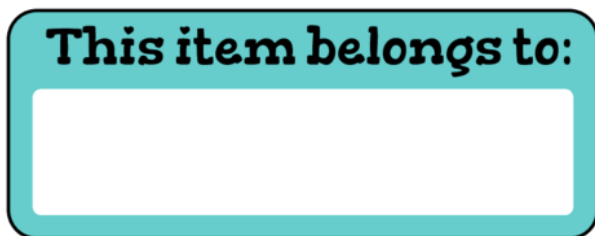
The Safety Committee at McKenny has decided to return to having Student Emergency Kits on site in each classroom for each student. The kits will be used in the event of a disaster. The following is a list of what could be included in your student's kit: 1 bottle of water, 1 bottle of juice, 3 nonperishable 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 on **December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>,** **January 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>,** **February 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>** and **March 10 and 24<sup>th</sup>.** Remember, Rice Krispies Treats are sold on a cash only basis. 50¢ per bar.



## Lost and Found



**It is always a good idea to regularly check the lost and found for items you may be missing.**

Our racks are full; please check our lost and found for any missing items. We will be donating the left over items to The Little Red School House during winter vacation. **Please write your students name in his or her coat.** We can return any lost coat to the correct student if their name is visible.

## Let's Be Careful Out There

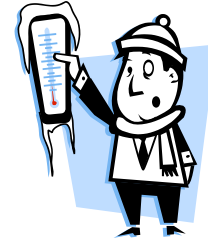
The days are growing shorter which means that it's a good time to remind students, parents and community members to exercise extra caution in and around school zones, bus stops and roads that are frequently used by walkers and bikers. Reflective clothing is a good idea, especially for those students who walk or bike to school in the morning when it is dark.

## Inclement Weather Conditions

Please keep the following information readily available in case you need to check if school has been cancelled or delayed due to weather or other emergency conditions. Radio: KGY 1240 AM or 96.9 FM; KMAS 1030 AM; KXXO 96.1 FM; and KAOS 89.3 FM. Internet: <http://osd.wednet.edu> or <http://psecs.wednet.edu>. Parents, please keep in mind that there is no student supervision when school starts late or is cancelled. Web or media alerts will inform families if emergency/snow bus routes are being used. For more information access the EMERGENCY INFORMATION link on the OSD home page at <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.



## Early Release Information

During the course of the 2016-2017 school year, we will ask you several times throughout the year to make adjustments to your day on Wednesdays. These Wednesday early release days are to provide our staff with opportunities to collaborate and learn new curriculum. We understand that you must sometimes interrupt your schedule to make these days possible. This time is critical for us and we appreciate the sacrifices you make to make this time possible. **December 7; January 4; January 18; February 1; March 1; May 3.**

**Parent/Teacher Conferences:** March 28 - 31

**Elementary Grading:** January 27 and June 9

**Last Day of School:** June 20 (barring no make-up days)

### Preschool

Preschool students will not attend school on these early release days.

## Up-Coming Events

### December

2	Movie Night @ 6:30	9	Battle of the Books begins – 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> grades
	Rice Krispies Treats for sale during lunches	12	OSD School Board mtg @ 6:30
7	Early Release @ 12:05	15	Hawk Talk Sent home
9	Winter Program @ 2:00	19-1-2	Winter Break – No School

## PTO

### YEE-HAW!

The McKenny Fall Social was a rootin' tootin' success! Thanks to everyone who contributed help, supplies, and bake sale items. We have a great PTO, but it's not possible to pull off a successful event without the help of our parents!!

### Battle of the books

Rainy day reading weather has started! Battle of the books starts on December 9<sup>th</sup>! More information will be coming home soon.

#### 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.

## FINDING DORY!!

Our next movie night will be Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> and will feature Finding Dory! Movie Night is \$5 for the first student and \$4 for each additional student. Doors open at 6:00pm and the movie begins at 6:30pm. Price includes an intermission popcorn snack, drink and licorice.

We'd sure love some company!! Parents who stay to help supervise earn a coupon for free admission to an upcoming Movie Night! We wouldn't be able to do this without wonderful parent volunteers who make movie nights a success! Please consider staying to help out and enjoy the movie. Movie night flyers and sign up information will be coming home. Please complete and return your registration form by the deadline date on the flyer!

## Box Tops!

Keep on clipping and saving! Every box top helps and they sure do add up quick. We will be collecting box tops on December 16<sup>th</sup>!

## McKenny Directory!

McKenny directories have come home! The directory is a fantastic way to keep in touch with classmates and plan events. If you would still like to purchase one, they are available for \$15.00!

## Just in time for the Holidays!! Go shopping for McKenny!

You can use [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) this upcoming shopping season, and use the Shoparoo smart phone app with all your shopping receipts!! It all adds up!



## Save the Date!!

Our next PTO meeting is TUESDAY, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the school library. Please join us, we would LOVE to see you there!

## PTO Tips for Navigating the McKenny Circle

- ✓ Always remember to pull all the way forward to the end of the circle, if possible. Not only does this ease congestion during busy times, it also gets a few extra steps in for the kids!
- ✓ If there is a car stopped in the beginning or middle of the circle, it's acceptable and appreciated to drive (safely) around them and pull to the curb where there is space.
- ✓ Remember to unlock those car doors so Mrs. Stewart can open the door quickly and assist your student from exiting the vehicle.
- ✓ Remember to be aware of the traffic around you! It's hard to keep from gazing at your student as you drive away, but keeping your eyes on the road is safest! Also, be aware of vehicles exiting the circle on your left. Be sure to check for cars before you merge into the exit.

