

NOVEMBER 2011

ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY

MESSAGE FROM MR. HAYMAN

Dear Parents,

I hope by now you have all recovered from Halloween. We have been working hard as a staff to develop a building wide student incentive and discipline plan. These high expectations along with other "Characteristics of High Performing Schools," have been the focus of all of our collaborative time. You should receive a copy of the Roosevelt Incentive and Discipline Plan (RIDP) along with this newsletter. Please do not be distracted by the spelling out of the consequences. We anticipate a very high percentage of our students will never go down the consequence road. In fact, that concept is a driving force behind the plan. Kids who make good choices will have more opportunities just like in real life. Also, because this is elementary school, there are nearly endless chances to get back to the point of having a "Clean Slate." If you have questions about the plan, please feel free to talk about it during your parent/teacher conference which is coming up in a little over a week. We hope to see 100% of our families at these conferences. The communication between parents and teachers is vital and irreplaceable in the success of students.

According to the Center of Educational Effectiveness, characteristics of high performing schools are: Clear and Shared Focus, Effective School Leadership, High Standards and Expectations, High Levels of Collaboration and Communication, Supportive Learning Environment, Frequent Monitoring of Teaching and Learning, Focused Professional Development, and High Levels of Community and Parent Involvement. These all make sense, but you may not have information about how Roosevelt Elementary reflects these characteristics. I will send home a separate chart that addresses the connection between Roosevelt and these characteristics for your information. At our parent/teacher conferences, we will be asking you to complete a survey about these same characteristics. This chart will help you be informed about the questions on the survey.

Happy Autumn.

Doug Hayman

BLUE THUNDER

Blue Thunder has completed another amazing month of running and walking laps. More new students are rejoining Blue Thunder each day. Four classrooms have met their October challenge and will receive a party soon. They are Ms. Epstein's 2nd grade with 1,157 laps., Mrs. Thorson's 4th grade with 1,615 laps and Mr. Chamber's 3rd grade with 1,802 laps. Congratulations to all these classes and teachers for their hard work during the month of October.

Fourteen students received lap certificates during the October assembly. The following students are ranked in the top 6 runners and walkers: 6th-Jacob Timm, 135 laps, 5th-Aiden Bond and Owen Bond, 160 laps, 4th-Chase Roberts and Braydon Mahany, 200 laps, 3rd- Aiden Volkens, 305 laps, 2nd-Grayson Mahany, Tanner Lunt, Alex Lamb and Brady Nickerson, 330 laps, 1st-Tanner Price and Hannah Reetz, 360 laps. Total laps for the year is 8,003.

The next reward will be the famous Hot Cocoa Candy Cane Party. The party is in December, but we start running and walking November 7th due to all the days off during this time period.

I am so proud of all the students who are participating in Blue Thunder. Please ask your child to share how well they are doing. If you can arrange it please check in at the office and come walk with us!

PTA NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has helped make the first busy two months of school so successful.

MCTAKEOVER: was a great success, we made a whopping **\$1226.40**

PASTRIES FOR PARENTS: It was great to see all the parents and students that attended.

BOX TOPS: We are finishing up our first Box Tops Competition.

NEXT PTA MEETING: Nov. 10th at 7pm, hope to see you there.

Thank You Teresa Beckstrom

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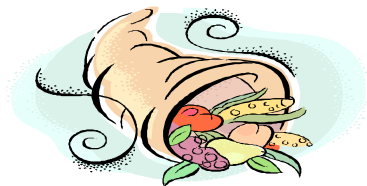
DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER

PEANUT BUTTER CHALLENGE	NOV. 1-15
PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES-NO SCHOOL	NOV. 9 & 10
PTA MEETING 7:00 PM	NOV. 10
VETERAN'S DAY NO SCHOOL	NOV. 11
DENTAL SCREENING	NOV. 14-18
THANKSGIVING NO SCHOOL	NOV. 24-25
MONTHLY ASSEMBLY 1:00 PM	NOV. 30

DECEMBER

MOVIE NIGHT 6:30 PM	DEC. 2
YOUNG SHOPPERS	DEC. 5-9
BEGINNING BAND CONCERT 6TH GRADE 7:00 PM	DEC. 12
ORCHESTRA CONCERT 4TH-6TH GRADE 6:30 PM	DEC. 14
MONTHLY ASSEMBLY SING-A-LONG	DEC. 16
WINTER BREAK DEC. 19-JAN. 2	



PASTRIES FOR PARENTS



NOVEMBER WORD OF THE MONTH

ATTITUDE

HOW HIGH YOU FLY IN LIFE DEPENDS ON YOUR ATTITUDE!!!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

NOVEMBER 2011

Take a Stand on Video Games

- **Limit video game time.**
- **Encourage your children to settle their own disputes over using the video game.**
- **Help your child choose video games that are not excessively violent.** Encourage your child to buy or rent sports, puzzle, maze, or adventure games. Avoid games that contain lots of murder, combat and destruction. Research suggests that video games encourage more aggressive behavior than violent TV shows because your child is an active participant in the destruction and not just an observer.
- **Try to channel your child's leisure time into a variety of activities.** Video games are not bad for children. They can teach certain skills and they are more educational than watching TV. So teach your child to play them in moderation after the first weeks of normal infatuation pass. Encourage reading, music, hobbies, sports and playing with friends as well.

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WINTER IS HERE.....

Dress warm for the cold, wet, windy, snowy weather. The warm days of summer are over; it is time to get out the long pants, sweaters and coats. When it is wet outside and children play in the water unfortunately we do not have enough dry clothes to go around. *Also please remember for all seasons, no sandals, open toed shoes, high heeled shoes or sleeveless tops.

PEANUT BUTTER CHALLENGE-November 1-November 15

The Port Angeles Lions Club is sponsoring its annual PEANUT BUTTER CHALLENGE. All peanut butter brought to school during this time will be given to the Port Angeles Food Bank. The top donating class in each school will be treated to a free catered lunch from a local restaurant. Thank you in advance for your continued support for this worthwhile community event.



LOST & FOUND:

Please come by the school and check the lost & found or ask your student to check it. It is located in the first hall by the office.



PUMPKIN WINNERS!!!!

- 1st place Travis Ashley
- 2nd place, Braydon Mahany
- 3rd place Maddox Pangaro

November 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 PEANUT BUTTER CHALLENGE STARTS	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES-NO SCHOOL	10 PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES-NO SCHOOL "PTA MEETING 7:00"	11 NO SCHOOL VETERANS DAY	12
13	14 DENTAL SCREENING ALL WEEK	15 PEANUT BUTTER CHALLENGE ENDS	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 THANKSGIVING NO SCHOOL	25 NO SCHOOL	26
27	28	29	30 MONTHLY ASSEMBLY 1:00 PM			