BEAGLE BUGLE - ROCKWELL PTA AND SCHOOL NEWS





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11/21/2016

Upcoming Dates:

Link to LWSD <u>Tandem Calendar</u> (Filtered for Rockwell, More LWSD events found there)

TUES, 11/22/16
Picture Retake Day

WED, 11/23/16 Half Day Release at 11:30am

TH, 11/24/16, FRI, 11/25/16 No School

TH, 12/1/16
Lake Washington PTSA Scholarship Basket Auction 10am

TUES, 12/6 & WED 12/7
Author Visit, deadline to order books 11/30

TH, 12/8/16

Parent Education Class: <u>Anger & Consequences</u> 6pm Next General Membership Meeting 7pm

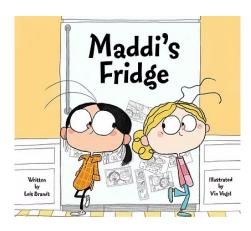
> 12/19/16-1/2/17 No School

PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Tuesday, November 22

Picture Retake Day is on **Tuesday, November 22**! Students who were absent on Picture Day should complete the <u>LifeTouch order form</u>, enclose payment, and return to school on Retake Day. Students who would like to retake their portrait should return their original portrait package on this day. Class photos should be kept and not returned to school.

Glenda Alderete
Picture Day Coordinator



AUTHOR VISIT: LOIS BRANDT MADDI'S FRIDGE December 6 & 7

Thanks to the generosity of our PTA, Norman Rockwell Elementary is proud to host local author Lois Brandt in our school library on **December 6th and 7th**!

Lois Brandt is the acclaimed author of Maddi's Fridge. Brandt's book addresses the issues of poverty and hunger. During her visit she will meet with each grade level to share her book, her personal journey as an author and her own childhood struggles with reading and writing. She will address the topics of diversity and friendship and inspire students to join her cause in helping to put an end to hunger.

Books are available for purchase prior to the visit and can be autographed and personalized. Click here to download and print the order form yourself.

Completed forms and payment may be returned to the school by Wednesday, November 30, 2016.

More information and link to her website with lots of activities, can be found here.

<u>Diane Davenport</u> Teacher Librarian

PRINCIPAL LETTER

Dear Rockwell Families:

This December, Rockwell will be focusing on the character traits of Generosity and Compassion. One of the ways we will be supporting these traits is by partnering with Hopelink to collect food and toys/gifts for local families in need. Our Week of Giving will take place from December 5-9.

Starting Monday, November 28, the bulletin board near the main entrance will display

wish tags for needed items, such as toys, gifts, and clothing. If your family would like to help, please visit and choose a tag or two that you can fulfill. New, unwrapped items will then be collected between December 5 and December 9.

We will also welcome food donations between December 5 and 9. Below is a list of suggested items.

- Canned meals
- Canned meats (tuna, chicken)
- Cereal/Oats
- Beans (dry and canned)
- Fruit (canned, fresh, or frozen)
- Vegetables (canned, fresh, or frozen)
- Grains (pasta, rice, quinoa, barley)
- Nut butters (peanut, almond)
- Soup and broths
- Cooking oils
- Flour and sugar
- Spices
- Boxed stuffing

Thank you all for any help you can offer to local families who are struggling. Your generosity and compassion are deeply appreciated.

Kirsten Gometz

Principal

SHOP AND EARN MONEY FOR ROCKWELL

Our school is now enrolled in the Benefit Mobile program, where your smartphone shopping earns 3-20% of your purchase price towards our PTA. So easy!

How? Watch this quick demo video.

With the holidays approaching, it's a great time to shop and quickly earn money for the PTA while buying gift cards for your favorite retailers! You can even buy the gift cards for yourself, at places you shop often, then use those gift cards to pay when you shop. Who are the retailers? Almost every place you can think of! Just to name a few: Target, Amazon, Starbucks, Home Depot, Gap, Whole Foods, Athleta, Best Buy, Zappos, Petco, Papa John's, Nordstrom, Safeway, REI. Amazing!

From **now until Wednesday, November 30**, our group can earn \$100 for every 10 supporters who download and use the app. And because it's a mobile app, anyone anywhere can use it-so pass this information on to family and friends who wish to support your child's school!

For details on how to download and set up the app, click here.

Thank you for supporting Norman Rockwell PTA!

Myriam Pollock

Fundraising Chair

LOST & FOUND, TREATS FOR TROOPS, AND . . . PARENT EDUCATION COMING THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

Please check the **lost and found** while you are at the school this week. Items will be donated in December so get your things before they go away!

Thank you for donating to the troops!

We collected 250 pounds of candy plus one box of dental hygiene products and many heartfelt letters!

These items will make it into care packages and sent to soldiers around the world.

Save the Date for Parent Education: Thursday, December 8

Rockwell PTA is offering an hour of Parent Educationin conjunction with the General Membership Meeting in the library. 7-8pm Parent Ed. Mtg 8-8:45pm Seating is limited to 120. (Adults only please)

TOPIC: Anger and Consequences Versus Empathy and Solutions

It's natural to feel angry when children misbehave. However, when we respond with harsh words and consequences, the children's focus often turns to our response instead of their poor choices. We'll look at why blame and shame don't work well and how empathy can lead to solutions to children's problems. Presented by Kathy Slattengren M. Ed.

Stacy Hatch

Rockwell PTA President

MATH CHALLENGE #4 WINNERS

Thanks for all those who participated in Math Challenge #4. Congratulations to the following winners: Sriam M, Vidhur P, Saankhva T, Victoria S, Samanvi S, Boris K, Alexandra K, Aarvin R, Aditya B, Todd B, Leanne H, Ren F.

The next Math Challenge will be available online **Friday**, **December 2 after 3pm**.

Cheers,
Mandy Ning
Nithya Nagarajan
Kit Craig
Math Challenge Committee

PTA Reflections Art Competition: "What is your story?"

Bravo to all the Rockwell students that participated in the Reflections Art Contest this year! We got a total of 54 wonderful entries for the different art categories and 19 of those art pieces were selected to represent Norman Rockwell at the Council level. Congratulations to all!

Visual Arts Primary (PreK - Grade 2):

• Anika Bhandari : 'Unity in Diversity'

Julia Kim: 'Girl with two funny sisters'Atul Vijayachandran: 'All about me'

• Trishaa Khanna : 'My Story, My World'

Visual Arts/ Intermediate (Grades 3-5)

Isabella Curcio: 'Music to my Eyes'

• Elisa Kim: 'Girl Pursuing Glorious Dream'

• Ananya Swaminathan: 'Sunset view in Hawaii'

• Varshini Hari: 'Helping others'

Photography Primary (PreK - Grade 2)

Lyla Curcio: 'A Woolly Bear in Autumn'

Photography/ Intermediate (Grades 3-5)

• Talah Albadawi: 'Taking a shot on goal'

Music composition/Intermediate

Vanesha Hari: 'End Violence'
Austin Laves: 'In the forest'
Shiv Vinodshankar: 'Happiness'

Music Composition/Primary

• Arjun Krishnan: 'Mr. cucumber'

Literature/Primary

Tharan Swakumar : 'My life'Elaine Chen : 'My Story'

Literature Intermediate

Varshini Hari: 'Helping others'
Vanesha Hari: 'End Violence'
Judy Wang: 'The stress of Joy'

Last Monday, November 14, we got a chance to share with all students, parents, teachers and library visitors, the wonderful art pieces that entered to participate in this year's Reflection Art contest. Thanks to all that stopped by to appreciate the talented work of our school Artists!

If you didn't get a chance to visit last week gallery, please mark your calendars for the next show. Winning pieces from all the different area schools, art categories, and grade divisions will be on display. Hope to see you there:

Local Winners Art Show/Open House

Date: Friday, January 6, 2017

• Time: 6-8pm

Location: Lake Washington Resource Center @ the Redmond Town Center.

Beatriz Gomez-Albadawi & Marly El Khoury-Haddad

Norman Rockwell Reflections Co Chairs

SAVE THE DATE: LEGISLATIVE FOCUS DAY Monday, January 16, 2017

Join us in Olympia, WA on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

This is an opportunity to advocate on behalf of the Rockwell PTA and share our school's funding needs with representatives and senators!

Valdene Claux

Legislative Chair

MATH KANGAROO COMPETITION Thursday, March 16, 2017

Norman Rockwell is hosting the Math Kangaroo Competition on Thursday, **March 16**, **2017** at 6:30 p.m. Registration is now open. We are currently a private location as we are giving priority to all Rockwell students first!

This is the registration code that you will need: WAREDMO0003230.

For more information about the Math Kangaroo competition and to register, please go to their website.

This competition is very popular, please register as early as you can.

We will need a dozen volunteers for this event. Please email <u>Elly Sarwono</u> if you are interested in volunteering.

Thank you!

Elly Sarwono

Math in Action Chair

QUICK LINKS - IN EVERY ISSUE

Places to earn:

<u>Click here</u> for all the easy ways that your shopping can benefit Rockwell!

PeachJar E-Flyers:

View the flyers approved by LWSD and targeted to Rockwell from local organizations...sports tryouts, after school classes, and community events.

PTA Membership Directory

Join PTA to access all the directory information.

Volunteer Application:

LWSD Volunteer application

It's easy to complete and is good for 2 years. Fill yours out or check your renewal status today! Do it now and be ready to volunteer when school begins!

Rockwell PTA Facebook Page:

Stay connected and updated on Rockwell PTA, school, and community info.

<u>Stop by and Like Us!</u> Don't miss any posts...after liking us, make sure to hover over the Liked Button to turn on notifications.

Yearbook Photographs:

Upload your event photos as you take them! Use code DGQBGI at the secure LifeTouch website.

Bugle Article Submissions Welcome

The Beagle Bugle welcomes article submissions from students and parents.

Student journalists may submit articles about current events, students opinion-editorials and poems or short stories. Parents may submit articles about PTA events and school related topics.

Any article that is unrelated to PTA or Rockwell must be approved by the Lake Washington School District, and may be submitted to the Peach Jar E-flyer system. The Lake Washington School District website has more information on the submission and approval process.

Short pieces will be edited for inclusion in the Bugle, longer pieces will be posted on the website with a link in the Bugle. The Deadline for submissions for the next weekly Bugle is the **preceding**Thursday. The Bugle Staff reserves the right to be selective regarding the materials that are publicized.

Contact the Bugle staff or submit articles at bugle@normanrockwellpta.org

Denise Waters

Beagle Bugle Editor Norman Rockwell Elementary PTA

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