

**BEAGLE BUGLE**  
**Newsletter**  
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**1/16/2017**

**Upcoming Dates:**

Link to LWSO [Tandem Calendar](#)  
(Filtered for Rockwell, More LWSO events found there)

**1/18/17**

**Dine Out at [Panera](#)**

**1/19/17**

**[PTA General Membership Meeting & Parent Education Speaker](#)**

**1/23/17**

**[K-2 Author Visit](#)**

**1/24/17, 1/26-27/17**  
**HALF DAYS FOR CONFERENCES**

**2/3/17**

**Family Bingo Night 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

**2/9/17**

**2nd Grade Music Program 6:30pm**  
**3rd Grade Music Program 7:30 pm**

**2/16-20/17**

**NO SCHOOL: MID WINTER BREAK**

**2/24/17**

**Family Movie Night**

**3/30/17**

## REFLECTIONS WINNERS

Congratulations to all the Norman Rockwell students that participated in this year's Reflections Art Competition. Thanks for representing our school so well! We got a total of 54 initial entries from the different categories, 19 of those pieces were selected to represent our school at the council level, part of the art show at the district's office at the Redmond Town Center, and on exhibit at that same place this past week.

From those 19 pieces 3 have been selected by independent judges to participate in the Washington State round of competition. Bravo!!! The winners are:

- Honorable Mention: 'My Story' by Elaine Chen - Literature/Primary
- Honorable Mention: 'Unity in Diversity' by Anika Bhandari - Visual Arts/Primary
- Award of Merit: 'A Woolly Bear in Autumn' by Lyla Curcio - Photography/Primary

[Beatriz Gomez-Albadawi](#) & [Marly El Khoury-Haddad](#)

Norman Rockwell Reflections Co-Chairs

## SCHOOL NEEDS

The teachers microwaves are on the fritz. Are you upgrading and have one that still works? Or do you want to give to the teachers?? If you can, please donate so our teachers can have hot lunches!

Also, if you have any extra spoons at your house--silverware is always a great teacher staff room gift!

[Julie Wulf](#)

Rockwell Office

## SALMON IN THE CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Salmon eggs have arrived in the tank at Rockwell. If you are at school stop by and take a look. They are currently in the eyed egg stage and in a few weeks they will hatch and become alevins. Then in February they will "swim up" or emerge from the gravel and become fry.

In early March, the 4th grade students will begin to feed the fry. At that time we will need lots of **parent volunteers to help supervise the feeding**. Also I will be needing someone to **monitor the tank and salmon during Spring break** as I will be out of town. This would entail a couple of trips to the tank to check on it.

If you are interested in helping with either of these things contact [Nate Chinn](#) for information.

[Nate Chinn](#)

Chair of Salmon in the Classroom

## MATH CHALLENGE #6 WINNERS

Thanks for all those who participated in Math Challenge #6. Congratulations to the following winners: Nachiket L, Kirill K, Neel T, Kristina U, Sahana S, Tharan S, Atul V, Kexin L, Adhrit V, Ivan B, Avinash K, and Shriva T

The next Math Challenge IS available [online](#).

Cheers,  
[Mandy Ning](#)  
[Nithya Nagarajan](#)  
[Kit Craig](#)

### **MATH CHALLENGE #7 AVAILABLE NOW**

Math Challenge #7 is now available [here](#). For this challenge, 12 qualified submissions will randomly be selected for the prize. Grab some friends and family and work on the challenge together! The challenge is due **Thursday, January 19 by 3pm**.

[Math Challenge Team](#)

### **SPECIAL NEEDS GROUP PARENT WORKSHOP Tuesday, January 17**

WHEN: Tuesday, January 17, 2017

TIME: 7:00 - 8:30 pm [Parent networking opportunity from 6:30 - 7:00]

LOCATION: Lake Washington School District Resource Center  
16250 NE 74th Street, Redmond (at Redmond Town Center)

Parking in back or on street

GUEST SPEAKER: Sarah Butcher of Social Emotional Learning for Washington will speak about the initiative as well as give an overview of the work recently done in workgroups regarding the Every Student Succeeds Act.

[Jamie Kivela](#)  
Special Needs Awareness Liaison

### **DINE OUT FOR ROCKWELL: PANERA Wednesday, January 18**

Anytime between 4pm and 8pm, dine out at Panera Bread and earn money for the PTA. See the [flyer for details](#), take the flyer with you for funds to be counted!

[Kiran Shaharyar](#)  
Dine Out Chair

[Myriam Pollack](#)  
Fundraising VP

### **LWSD BROWN BAG LUNCH: LWSF GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP Thursday, January 19**

Join us on **January 19, Noon- 1pm** at the Lake Washington Resource Center in the Sammamish Room.

Last year Lake Washington Schools Foundation gave out over \$300,000 in grants to LWSD schools! Help your school benefit from LWSF by applying for a grant this year and learn tips, ideas and the "how tos" of the application process for LWSF's Reaching

for Success classroom grants. Everyone welcome! Bring your lunch and join us.

[Liz Hedreen](#)

LWPTSA Council President

**PARENT EDUCATION & PTA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING RESCHEDULED  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19**

Save the Date for Parent Education:

**Thursday, January 19**

Rockwell PTA is offering an hour of Parent Education in 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)

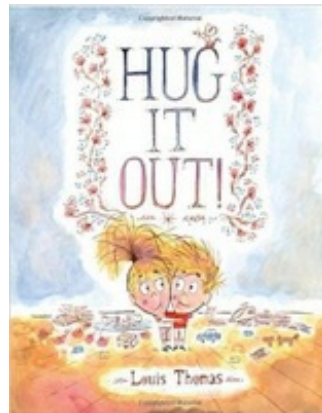
TOPIC: Anger and Consequences Versus Empathy and Solutions  
It's natural to feel angry when children misbehave. However, when we respond with harsh words and consequences, the children's focus often turns to our response instead of their poor choices. We'll look at why blame and shame don't work well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

[Click here for more information!](#)

[Stacy Hatch](#)

Rockwell PTA President

**K-2 AUTHOR VISIT: LOUIS THOMAS  
Monday, January 23**



Thanks to the generosity of the Bellevue University Bookstore, Norman Rockwell Elementary is proud to host author/illustrator Louis Thomas in our school library on **Monday, January 23** for our Kindergarten, First and Second grade students.

Louis Thomas graduated from Gobelins, Paris, and CalArts, Los Angeles, in 2012.

He then worked full-time in California animation studios, working at Pixar and DreamWorks on projects such as Cars, Minions, and many others. Louis has since returned to France where he currently lives and works with his cat, Pipo, in his art studio, which can be found between the Pantheon and the Luxembourg Gardens of

Paris, France. He is in the states to promote his new book, [Hug It Out!](#) A fresh, funny take on sibling rivalry and conflict resolution, as two sparring siblings are forced to "hug it out".

[Diane Davenport](#)

Teacher Librarian

## 2017 KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

Optional Information Meeting for prospective Kindergarten parents will be **January 25, 2017 at 2:00 pm** in the school library. Meet the principal, tour the school and ask questions! Adults only - no child care provided. Registration packets will be available to take home.

Please call Inez for more information at 425-936-2670.

Kindergarten Registration will begin **Thursday, Feb. 2** from 1:00 - 7:00 pm in the school library. Child must be 5 by August 31, 2017 to register. Bring birth certificate or passport, immunization records, emergency contact information, and proof of address (recent utility bill with your name on it, lease, or mortgage statement.)

More information can be found [here](#).

[Inez Mobley](#)

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## REDMOND MIDDLE SCHOOL: BEAUTY & THE BEAST February 2-4

Don't miss the RMS production of Beauty and the Beast Jr. [Click here for details!](#)

February 2nd & 3rd at 7pm, and Saturday, February 4th at 2pm & 7pm

\$8 Adults

\$5 Children under 12



### FAMILY BINGO NIGHT!

Rockwell PTA Family Bingo Night/Dance Party!

Join us at the Rockwell Gym Friday, **February 3rd 6:30-8:30 pm**

It's the annual Rockwell PTA family bingo night/dance party.

**TOTALLY AWESOME 80'S THEME** \*COSTUMES WOULD BE RAD, BUT, LIKE, TOTALLY NOT REQUIRED! Bring the whole family, play Bingo, win Prizes, plus 80-s themed Music/Dance Breaks

- Admission: \$1.00/per person (Volunteers get one free admission)
- Concessions and snacks for sale!

Parent helpers needed to help out a little bit! Set up /Clean up. Admission Sales. Concession Sales. Please email Jean to help out for a short shift. Time slots are only 30 minutes so you will still have time to play bingo and boogie.

**Chairperson:** Jean Long [jeanlong@johnlscott.com](mailto:jeanlong@johnlscott.com)

Click Here for Our [Flyer!](#)



## MEMBER BENEFIT: LUZIA TICKETS

Cirque du Soleil returns to Marymoor Park, under the Big Top, with its newest creation, LUZIA opening Thursday, March 30. [Take advantage of the Family Pack offer](#) and get 20% off tickets on select show times (minimum: 3 tickets; maximum: 8 tickets).

LUZIA is a poetic and acrobatic ode to the rich and vibrant culture of Mexico. Like in a waking dream, LUZIA takes you to an imaginary Mexico, where light quenches the spirit and rain soothes the soul. The tableaux of LUZIA weave an intricate, contemporary mosaic that awakens your senses and transports you to a place suspended between dreams and reality.

[Stacy Hatch](#)

Rockwell PTA President

## ENRICHMENT VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Due to our charter with the National and State PTA and in accordance with our bylaws, ***the expectation that all volunteers for PTA events must be PTA members.***

That means that if you are signing your child up for an enrichment session, you must be a PTA member in addition to obtaining background clearance from LWSD in order to volunteer during the session. Every after school program requires a PTA member to monitor the class. Therefore, each family is asked to volunteer for at least one session. We are working with vendors to offer reduced rates if you can volunteer for the entire duration of the class. All volunteers must be 18 or over or must volunteer with someone over 18.

The good news is that your membership gives you access to our online parent directory and fun times with the rest of the members--like PTA meetings coming this month!

If PTA membership is a financial hardship, please let one of the board members know as we have gift memberships we can award to families in need.

[Stacy Hatch](#)

Rockwell PTA President

## WINTER AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

[Smart with Art](#) - Registration opens at 10am **TODAY!**

- Mondays - 3:10-4:10 Imagine with Fashion, grades 1-5 (new class!) Class begins 1/23
- Wednesdays - 3:00-4:00 Create with Clay, grades K-5 (new class!) Class begins 1/25
- Thursdays - 3:10-4:10 Visual Arts, grades K-5 Class begins 2/2 \*Corrected from last Bugle.

**Smart with Art is offering discounted tuition if ONE parent can commit to volunteering EVERY class during the session. Please see registration page for details.**

[Chess 4 Life](#) - Registration now open

- Fridays - 3:00-4:05pm (grades K-5) Class begins 1/13

Please be sure to check each vendor website for detailed class descriptions and registration information. Per PTA guidelines, parents **MUST** be current Rockwell PTA members and must commit to **volunteer** during AT LEAST one class session per child enrolled (**In addition**, must be an approved LWSD volunteer).

Thank you!

[Elizabeth Rosemond](#)

Enrichment Chair

## **LEGO ENGINEERING ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS**

LEGO ENGINEERING CLUB - Winter Sessions

Lego club is back again for the winter sessions. Do sign up your kids for the sessions and don't forget to sign up to be a parent volunteer.

**STEM Challenge with LEGO, Session 1** (3rd to 5th Graders) from Jan 31st - Mar 21st on Tuesdays

Power on your engineering skills with Play-Well TEKnologies and tens of thousands of LEGO®! Apply real-world concepts in physics, engineering, and architecture through engineer-designed projects such as Catapults, Pneumatic Cranes, Arch Bridges, and Battletacks! Design and build as never before, and explore your craziest ideas in a supportive environment. An experienced instructor will challenge new and returning students to engineer at the next level.

No Class Dates: None

Time: 3:15-4:45pm

[Sign up here](#)

This class is being sponsored by Rockwell PTA. A PTA MEMBER Parent needs to volunteer for each one of the sessions. Parents, please sign up using below to be volunteers.

[Jedi K-2](#)

[STEM 3-5](#)

[Sivakumar Ananthakrishnan](#)

Lego Engineering Club Chair

## **PTA ESSAY CONTEST Entries Due Wednesday, March 1**

"Men Making a Difference" is a statewide essay contest. It explores the important and different contributions that men make in the lives and education of children - from our children's perspective. All men involved in a child's life - fathers, uncles, grandpas, brothers, step-fathers, mentors, neighbors, pastors, coaches, and friends - impact the children they care about.

Is your child willing to write an essay about an important male in their life? [Read over the complete details here](#) and submit your entry & application by March 1st.

[Stacy Hatch](#)  
PTA President

## **SPRING RESOURCE FAIR** **Saturday, March 18**

All parents and students from the Lake Washington School District are invited to attend Lake Washington PTSA Council's Spring Resource Fair. It will be held on Saturday, March 18, 2017, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., at the Lake Washington Institute of Technology, 11605 132nd Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98034.

Admission is free for everyone to attend.

[Stacy Hatch](#)  
Rockwell PTA President

## **QUICK LINKS - IN EVERY ISSUE**

### **Places to earn:**

[Click here](#) 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. [Stop by and Like Us!](#) 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](mailto:bugle@normanrockwellpta.org)

**Denise Waters**

Beagle Bugle Editor  
Norman Rockwell Elementary PTA

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