

COLUMBIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MARCH NEWSLETTER

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Office Hours:
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School Hours:
Monday: 9:00 - 2:15
Tuesday - Friday: 7:45 - 2:15
Playground & breakfast are open
25 minutes prior to the start of
school.

CELEBRATING 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL



Our classes recently celebrated being in school for 100 days with lots of fun activities. Our students were so surprised to see their "much older" teachers when they arrived on 100's day! Left to right: Ms. Mezes, Mrs. Boop, Mrs. George, Ms. Frazier, Mr. Sheaffer, Ms. Foster, Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. Graff

OUTSTANDING SUPPORT PENNIES FOR PATIENTS

The student council at CES worked very hard to lead the first "Pennies for Patients" drive. We set a goal to collect donations of at least \$1,200.00, and are very proud that the final total exceeded \$3,200.00! Thank you to everyone who helped support this fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

BOOKS BEFORE BEDTIME

We invite all of our Columbia students and their families to come join us for a night of reading and fun on March 19th from 5pm-6:30pm for our annual Books Before Bedtime.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

If you have a student that will be 5 years old on or before August 31st you may register them for kindergarten! Packets can be picked up at our District Registrar office, 761 Third Street, Woodland. Please register your student as soon as possible so we may plan classroom sections for the 2020-2021 school year. Questions? Please email Jody Brentin at brentinj@woodlandschools.org.

SPRING CONFERENCES

Conferences are coming soon!

Watch for sign up information from your student's teacher.

We will release at 11:15 am March 24 - 27

Please Join Us in Celebrating Dr. Seuss
Read Across America Week!

The Week of March 2nd-6th

Mon. 3/2- Fox in Socks- Wear your Favorite Socks

Tues. 3/3- The Cat in the Hat- Silly Hat Day

Wed. 3/4- One Fish, Two Fish- Wear red or blue

Thurs. 3/5- The Lorax- Wear a Silly Mustache (provided by teacher)

Fri. 3/6- Hop on Pop- Popcorn and PJ Day



LOOKING AHEAD AT COLUMBIA...

March 2-6:

Read Across America Week

March 9:

Snow Make Up Day-No School

March 19:

Books Before Bedtime 5-6:30 pm

March 24-27:

Book Fair -Open during school hours and evening conferences

March 24-27:

Early Release 11:15 am / Parent/Teacher Conferences

March 30-April 3:

Spring Break - No School

NOTES FROM OUR KITCHEN...



National School Breakfast Week

Let's Celebrate Breakfast!

During March, schools throughout the country will celebrate National School Breakfast Week with visits from national, state and local leaders, food demonstrations, games and other activities. It is a great time for your child to try school breakfast! Come join us the first week of March where we are having free breakfast for all students!

KWRL IS HIRING



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A GALAXY WORTH VISITING

Parents: Your child can get healthy breakfast options at school that are out of this world!

SCHOOL BREAKFAST OUT OF THIS WORLD!™

Students who eat school breakfast are more likely to:

- Reach higher levels of achievement in reading and math
- Score higher on standardized tests
- Have better concentration and memory
- Be more alert
- Maintain a healthy weight

THE SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM SERVES MORE THAN 14 MILLION CHILDREN EVERY SCHOOL DAY!

NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK

MARCH 2-6, 2020

NSBW resources made possible by:

Follow SNA and #NSBW20 on social media!

REPLACEMENT LEVY ELECTION Tuesday, April 28

Ballots will be mailed April 10

Woodland Public Schools' Board of Directors has approved a replacement levy to run in an April 28 Special Election.

Without a replacement levy for its expiring levy, Woodland Public

Schools MUST cut \$3,000,000 in educational programs and services for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year.

Nearly every school district in Washington State needs a locally-funded levy to provide the additional services schools need to provide high-quality educational opportunities for children.

In Woodland, the following educational programs are funded by local levy dollars and may be reduced in size or eliminated entirely without a replacement levy:

- Arts, Music, Athletics, and Extracurricular Clubs
- Career Center at Woodland High School
- Class Size Reduction Programs, particularly at the middle school and high school
- Current Technology
- Current Textbooks and Curriculum
- Curriculum Introductions and Updates
- Custodians, Maintenance and Grounds Staff
- Elementary Counselors / Social Workers
- Family Community Resource Center
- Paraprofessionals who support quality teaching at every school
- PASS – Woodland High School's Program which reduces dropout rates and improves student performance
- School Bus Transportation
- School Secretaries
- Special Education Programs
- Specialized & Advanced Placement (AP) Courses
- Student Behavior and Discipline Support Staff
- Summer School Credit Recovery at Woodland High School
- Support Programs which help students come to school ready to learn
- Teacher and Staff Training
- Teaching Improvement Specialists

The replacement levy is NOT a new tax and levies are NOT bonds. The replacement levy will replace the existing levy that expires in 2020 at the SAME TAX RATE taxpayers are currently paying.

To learn more,

visit <https://www.woodlandschools.org/levy-2020>

Register to vote online: <https://www.myvote.wa.gov>

INFORMATION FROM PTSA...

Hello Columbia Elementary Parents. The PTSA will be having a meeting on April 16th at 6:00 pm in the Columbia Elementary library. Please join us to learn how walk money has been spent as well as what is coming up. Are you interested in having a board position on the PTSA? Please let us know by contacting us at woodlandptsa@gmail.com.

BIRTHDAY TREATS

If you wish to recognize your child's birthday in the classroom please contact the teacher to arrange it. If you have not made arrangements, the office is unable to accommodate the request. We recommend non-food treats due to many students with food allergies. Please refrain from bringing balloons, flowers or gifts. These are not allowed on the bus and are a distraction to the class.