

# EAGLE NEWS

FEBRUARY 2017



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## SAVE THE DATE—FEB 7TH @ 7PM

### THE STARS OF STRINGS

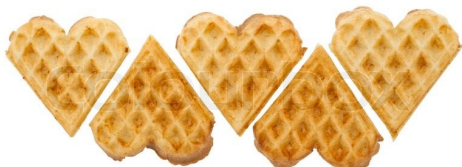
OUR ANNUAL STRINGS FESTIVAL DATE HAS BEEN POSTPONED FROM JANUARY 31ST TO FEBRUARY 7TH, 2017.

HANSEN, LP BROWN AND MCLANE ORCHESTRAS WILL JOIN MARSHALL MIDDLE SCHOOL ORCHESTRAS IN THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL THEME "THE STARS OF STRINGS" AT 7PM IN THE GYM AT MARSHALL MIDDLE SCHOOL, 3939 20TH AVE NW, OLYMPIA 98502.

ANY QUESTIONS , PLEASE CONTACT  
MRS. RYDHOLM  
mrydholm@osd.wednet.edu OR 596-7669

### Valentine's Day Waffle Breakfast

Our annual Valentine's Day Waffle Breakfast is Tuesday, February 14th. Volunteers please arrive at 9am to help set up for the breakfast. The celebration will begin at 9:30! Please watch for the classroom flyer regarding donations. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for volunteering your time. We appreciate you!!



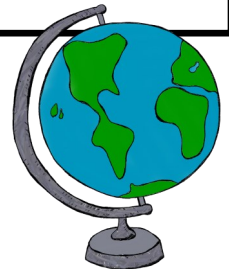
## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS...

### FEBRUARY 2017

- 2/1—HALF DAY/EARLY RELEASE (12:30PM)
- 2/3—PTO COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER BEGINS
- 2/7—ORCHESTRA CONCERT (7PM MARSHALL M.S.)
- 2/9—ART SHOW (6-7PM)
- 2/14—VALENTINE'S WAFFLE BREAKFAST (9:30-10:30AM)
- 2/16—PTO COOKIE DOUGH ORDERS DUE
- 2/20-2/21—MID WINTER BREAK/NO SCHOOL
- 2/22— BROWN'S WORLD/EUROPE
- 2/22—OJP 1ST-2ND GRADE (12-2:30PM)
- 2/22—JUMP ROPE AND HOOPS FOR HEART STARTS
- 2/23—EVERY PENNY COUNTS FUNDRAISER ENDS
- 2/23—MONTHLY BOX TOP COLLECTION
- 2/24—CHARACTER ASSEMBLY (CREATIVITY) (3PM)
- 2/28—DR SEUSS MATH & READING NIGHT

### MARCH 2017

- 3/1—HALF DAY/EARLY RELEASE (12:30PM)
- 3/8—JUMP ROPE AND HOOPS FOR HEART ENDS
- 3/9—PTO GENERAL MEETING IN LIBRARY (6:30-7:30PM)
- 3/10—OJP 1ST-2ND GRADE AND DLC (12:30PM)
- 3/16—SCIENCE FAIR
- 3/20—OJP 3RD-5TH GRADES (12:30PM)
- 3/22—BROWN'S WORLD/MIDDLE EAST
- 3/29-3/31—SPIRIT WEEK/CANNED FOOD DRIVE
- 3/29-3/31—EARLY RELEASE/HALF DAYS (12:30PM)
- 3/29-3/31—CONFERENCE WEEK



### BROWN'S WORLD

On February 22nd, Brown's World testing will be on *Europe*, please contact [collette.rauch@live.com](mailto:collette.rauch@live.com) if you are able to volunteer to help test the students.

## PTO COOKIE FUNDRAISER

We will be kicking off a cookie dough fundraiser on Friday, February 3rd. Please write your child's name and teacher's name on the order form. PTO will collect order forms on Feb. 16th, please do not turn forms in prior to this date. PTO will do a second round of collections on Feb. 23rd. Feb. 23rd will be the last and final collection date due to high additional costs for late orders.

LP Brown will earn 40% of the total sales which goes towards activities and events which include the artist in residence, music, PE, community events, field trip scholarships.

The items will be available for pick up in mid-March, so it's a great time to order cookies and treats for Easter!! The date for distribution will be announced a few days before.



### ART SHOW FEB 9TH @6-7PM

Our LP Brown Art Show will be in the gym on February 9th from 6-7pm. This will end our time with our artist in residence, Kathi Fennerty. She has worked with every class and all students will have items they made on display at this event. Students and families may take art home that night at end of the show. Students are very proud of their work and we hope families are able to attend.

## Dr. Seuss Night at LP Brown

Join us on Tuesday, February 28th from 5:30-7pm for a fun-filled Dr. Seuss night! 112 years ago the beloved author of *The Cat in the Hat*, *Green Eggs and Ham*, and so many more of our favorite books was born; so LP Brown is throwing him a reading and math party! Help us celebrate LP Brown and one of our favorite authors with a night of fun!



## Olympia Junior Program

The following is the schedule for our students to attend the Olympia Junior Programs at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts. Students will depart the school 30 minutes prior to show time and will arrive back at LP Brown approximately 2 hours later. Please schedule appointments for after school time on these days.

1st, 2nd grades & DLC	Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters	Wednesday, February 22nd @ 12:30
1st, 2nd grades & DLC	Peter Rabbit Tales	Friday, March 10th @ 12:30
3rd, 4th & 5th grades	Wings of Courage	Monday, March 20th @ 12:30
3rd, 4th & 5th grades	The Incredible Undersea Trial Of Joeseeph P Lawnboy	Thursday, April 20th @ 12:30

Admission fee for 2 plays is \$8. Please make sure you have signed and sent in the OJP envelope. The signed envelope is your student's ticket into the performance.

# Principal's Corner

Dear families,

If you can believe it, we recently marked the halfway point in our school year. How quickly time flies! The ending of the first semester provides teachers a chance to report on students' progress.

Report cards will be sent home to families via backpacks on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. The format of the report cards is unchanged from last year, but may still need a quick explanation. The grading system is "standards based." Teachers collect evidence of learning and determine a child's proficiency toward achieving learning requirements, or standards. No longer do teachers add up all the points in the grade book and find an average score and assign a grade (like when I went through school). Teachers now carefully determine a student's ability in light of the standards that are to be taught. It is important to note that the marks on the report card correspond to the content that has been taught thus far - as opposed to commenting on where we hope students will be at the end of the year. Though this may seem a subtle difference, it allows teachers to more accurately report proficiency levels..

Though we will have Parent/Teacher conferences in March, if any questions arise about report cards, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. After all, the purpose of a report card is to communicate a child's learning progress so that students and families receive a clear picture of strengths and challenges.

With warm regards,

Joel Lang

# Counselor's Corner

***Kathie Wade, LP Brown Counselor***

## Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports (PBIS) News

The LP Brown PBIS team met to analyze our school behavior data for December and January. Office discipline referrals are less than half of what we saw last year at this time. Positive behavior continues to be on the rise as compared to not only December and January of last year but also to previous months during the current school year. Yay! Good work everyone making SAFE, KIND, and RESPONSIBLE choices!

Students at LP Brown earn Eagle Feathers from staff when they demonstrate safe, kind, and/or responsible behavior. When a class has earned a total of 150 Eagle Feathers, the students along with the classroom teacher decide on a theme for a class celebration party. Classes earn parties for every 150 Eagle Feathers earned - some classes have had as many as 7 parties! Ask your child about their classroom progress towards the 150 mark and what sorts of celebrations they've had.

We also have schoolwide goals for numbers of Eagle Feathers earned. On January 13th, LP Brown celebrated meeting our 2nd schoolwide goal of 3,000 Eagle Feathers earned, with a whole school extra recess and treat. Students are now working hard to earn the next celebration. As of last week Friday, we are halfway to our goal! Our next celebration will include fun activities throughout the school (e.g. Legos, art, yoga, etc.) for students to choose from. We've done this in previous years and students have really enjoyed this.

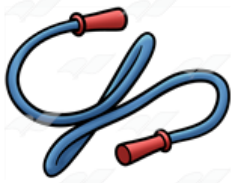
**Next month.....Courage**

**Creativity is  
contagious,  
pass it on**  
Albert Einstein

## Mark your Calendars for Fifth Grade Outdoor School

Our fifth grade students will be attending Outdoor School at the Cispus Environmental Center in Randle, WA, **April 26th, 27th & 28th**. This will be a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday trip. The Center has been developed specifically for student's environmental studies and has excellent facilities for both study and research.

**Cost is \$150 per student. If you need to make payments, please call Shelley in the office to set up a payment plan. Also, if your student needs to take a prescription or over-the-counter medicine, the medicine and doctors permission form needs to be at school by Friday, April 14th.**



## Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart

Kick off for Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart is on February 22nd. The kick off and envelopes will be distributed during each student's PE class (Monday or Wednesday). All envelopes are due back March 8th. Thank you for your support and charity.—Miss Mace, PE Teacher

## COLD WEATHER ATTIRE

The mornings are getting frosty and the 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 coats 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.



### 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.



## **Learn All About Kindergarten event set for February 11**

The Olympia School District will hold its annual "Learn All About Kindergarten" informational event starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 11 at Capital High School.

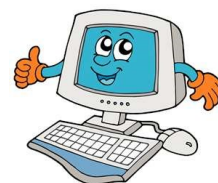
If you know of neighbors or friends who have a child entering kindergarten in the Olympia School District in fall 2017, please share this information with them and encourage them to attend this free event. Capital High School is located at 2707 Conger Ave. N.W. in Olympia.

The event begins at 10 a.m. with a welcome by Superintendent Dick Cvitanich. Families will then have until 11:30 a.m. to visit school booths set up in the high school gym and learn about a variety of topics related to kindergarten and school in general.

Among other things, families may learn about kindergarten program options, riding the bus, how to register for kindergarten and how to use the district's Family Access student information system to stay updated on everything from grades to lunch accounts. The school district's Transportation department will also have a school bus on site for parents to learn about bus safety and rules, and to see the inside of the bus.

A reminder that children should be 5 years old by August 31, 2017 to be eligible to start kindergarten in September 2017. The event is geared for adults of incoming kindergartners in the Olympia School District. Childcare is not provided.

After the Learn All About Kindergarten event, families are invited to visit the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual OSD Technology Fair in the Capital High School Commons. The Technology Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will showcase how technology tools are used to support student learning.



## **3rd Annual OSD Technology Fair is February 11**

Mark your calendars for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual OSD Technology Fair on Saturday, February 11 at Capital High School.

The free event, which is open to all students, families and the community, will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the high school Commons, 2707 Conger Ave. N.W. in Olympia.

School booths will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will showcase a variety of ways that students and teachers use digital tools to support the learning process.

Fair visitors are also invited to watch student technology challenge presentations from 1-3 p.m. Each school has an opportunity to enter a student team in a technology challenge to be revealed the morning of the Technology Fair. Teams will work collaboratively on the challenge from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and present to the audience in the afternoon.

Elementary school students will present their technology challenge from 1-2 p.m. Middle and high school students will present how they responded to their challenge from 2-3 p.m.