



D. A. Grout Elementary School

THURSDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Calendar

September 27	SUN Schedules Sent Home	October 3	Picture Day
September 28	Grout T-Shirt Day	October 4	Cookie Dough Fundraiser Begins
October 1-4	First Week of SUN School	October 5	PTA Movie Night- 6pm

Upcoming Events:

SUN School: SUN School will begin Oct 1 and run through Dec 14 this term. This is an after school program for 1st-5th graders. When you sign up you are guaranteed at least 2 days. Registration forms were due on September 14th. Look for your students schedule to come home on September 27th.

Reed 5k run is on Saturday, September 22: Visit <https://www.reed.edu/5k/> to sign up! Proceeds go towards local schools, including Grout.

Spare Change Challenge- The Spare Change Challenge is back! Please bring in your spare change to your classroom, collection will begin next week! The classroom that collects the most change will win a prize! All proceeds will go toward new recess equipment.

Walk & Bike To School Day: Wednesday Oct 10: This day is put on by Safe Routes to Schools. There will be bike mechanics at school, along with raffle prizes for the kids that bike and walk to school. Stay tuned for information about bike or walking trains to school.

CALLING ALL SUSTAINABILITY ADVOCATES

Interested in school gardens? Student green teams? Waste reduction? Walk and bike-to-school programs? The Eco-School Network prepares and supports parents to lead a school sustainability project they care about. This dessert meetup will introduce you to the Network and offer opportunities for free leadership training and access to resources to help you be successful in creating change at your child's school. Current network parents will be there to describe their projects and answer your questions.

When: September 24, 25, 26, 27 from 7:00 p.m.–8:15 p.m.

Where: Dessert Meetups will be held in the home of an Eco-School Network parent and occur in different neighborhoods. Contact Rachel Willis for more information, rachel@ecoschoolnetwork.org or 503-960-5252.

Important Information:

Tardy Announcement: In an effort to get students in to class quicker we are now asking that students go straight to class anytime before 8:10am and the teacher will mark them as late. Anytime after 8:10am please come to the office for a late slip. Thank you!

Our new Climate Coach here at Grout is Karey Kirk. Ms. Kirk has taken on this position to help promote student emotional growth and academic achievement through a proactive approach using positive behavioral interventions and supports as well as using restorative justice practices. Her work will help promote a strong sense of community and belonging for students, parents and staff together.

Popcorn Fridays! We will be selling popcorn on Friday, September 28 after school for \$1 a bag. Ms. Kirk will be giving out coupons for a FREE popcorn all month to students who are a positive influence in our school.

Attendance: Congratulations to students in Teacher Wendy (K), Mrs. Hawksford (2), and Ms. Bilter's (4) classes for having the best attendance last week. Ms. Bilter's class had 99% attendance for the week! Keep coming to school on time and ready to learn. You are doing great!

Donations Needed: Please donate your old or no-longer-needed appliances and tools to SUN's Art of Take Apart class! We're looking for old radios, cameras, keyboards, printers, fans, cellphones, and other technology, as well as tools like #1 & #2 Phillips screwdrivers, Torx/star bit screwdrivers, needle-nose pliers, slip joint pliers, and wire cutters. Donations can be brought to the SUN office in the cafeteria. Thank you!