



D. A. Grout Elementary School

THURSDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Calendar

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| October 12 | No School- Teacher Inservice Day | October 19 | Coffee with Principal Annie- 8am |
| October 16 | OBOB Meeting- 5:45pm in Library | | Parents Night Out- 6-9pm |
| October 17 | Spirit Day- Wear Black and White | October 24 | Mind Up Parent Night 6:30-8pm |

Upcoming Events:

Spirit Day: We will have our first spirit day on Wednesday October 17th. Students may participate by wearing our school colors, black and white.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser: We kicked off our Cookie Dough Fundraiser with an action packed, loud assembly on Friday. Students are really excited to fundraise for field trips and activities at the school such as assemblies. Thank you for your support of this fundraiser. Order forms will be due 10/19th, to the office. Families can also order online until 10/23.

Parents Night Out: It is 6-9pm on Friday, October 19th, in the Grout cafeteria. For grades K-2nd (flexible) they can email Julie Crouser at juliec@pps.net if you have any questions or to sign up.

Battle of the Books: Interested students should bring their parents to an informational meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 16th, at 5:45pm in the library. **THIS IS THE TIME TO SIGN UP FOR AN OBOB TEAM!** See Ms. LeBlanc with any questions.

POPCORN day NEXT Friday, Oct. 19th: Complete 10 acts of kindness to earn a FREE bag of popcorn!

Mindfulness: Come join our Mind Up Parent Meeting to learn about the Mind Up curriculum we are using to teach your students about how their brain works and self regulation. Retired PPS Counselor Jean Berg will be leading this meeting. Join us October 24th from 6:30-8pm in the auditorium.

Important Information:

Learning Garden: Parents and students ~ please do not eat the vegetables growing in the garden. Our garden educator cannot teach her lessons if the vegetables are not there. Thank you for your help with this.

LOST & FOUND: Our lost and found is full already! Please check the tables in the front hall for any of your students lost items. Also please remember to write your students name in their coats so we can return them if found.

Box Tops: We will be doing a box top submission on October 26th, please bring any box tops you have collected to the office so we can get credit for them during this collection period.

Talents: Do you have a musical talent? Ms. Kirk is looking for students who would like to share their talent at our spirit assembly. If you are interested, please see Ms. Kirk at recess.

Student Council: Introducing your 18-19 Student Council! Congratulations *Aislinn, Olivia G., Adelaide, Olive K., Max W., Aiden M., Melody, Adila, Yashawn, Uzi, Sophia R. and Franka.*

Attendance: School attendance is very important. Did you know that students with good attendance are four times more likely to graduate high school than those who are chronically absent? Last year, 83% of our students had good or acceptable attendance but 12% of our students were chronically absent. Chronically absent means missing more than 2 days per month. This year, please help us provide the best possible education to your child by sending your child to school every day, on time. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's attendance, please let us know. We are here to support your family.

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!

We are looking for a donation of a working MP3 player or I-pod with a charger cord for our dance party Fridays.

Cleveland Boys Winter League Basketball is here and Registration is OPEN! Cleveland Basketball offers Recreational and competitive teams for grades 3rd-8th boys. Recreational team registration is open, with limited availability and volunteer coaches are needed. Tryouts are required for Intermediate/Advanced Skill players in grades 5th-8th interested in playing on a PIL or Warrior Prep team. Tryouts for PIL & WP teams are November 3rd & 4th. Please visit Cleveland Basketball for complete details, tryout requirements & cost at: <https://www.cleveland-warriors.com/youth-basketball/>

Nutrition Services is Hiring!

Are you interested in earning extra income while your child attends school? Do you want to be part of a team that provides high quality, nutritious meals to Portland Public Schools students? PPS Nutrition Services is hiring Roving Nutrition Services Assistants to work 2-5 hour shifts. Starting salary is \$12.45/hour. Must pass a Criminal Record Check and know basic computer skills. For more information call: 503-916-3399 or apply on line at: <http://bit.ly/ppshiring>