ROSEWAY HEIGHTS' MISSION IS TO HELP ALL STUDENTS ACHIEVE THEIR POTENTIAL AND BECOME CREATIVE, CONFIDENT AND COMPASSIONATE LIFE-LONG LEARNERS.

Oct. 29, 2015

Dear Roseway Heights families,

We had a great turnout of families meeting with teachers for conferences last week. A huge thank you to all who contributed to the soup and salad dinner for teachers last Wednesday. It was delicious and very much appreciated!

We are having another short week this week due to this Friday being the end of the first quarter of the school year. Our middle school teachers will be preparing report cards that are mailed home centrally. K-5 teachers will not be doing report cards since they provided a summary of each student's progress as a part of conferences.

I want to thank **Ginger Huizar** through her work with *Beyond Differences*, who with **Laurie Vandenburgh**, brought **Miss Black Oregon Octavia Chambers** to speak to our middle schoolers last week. Ms. Chambers shared her own middle school experiences and was a powerful voice for our students of the damage that can be done from bullying behaviors. We also had our own students **Maya Peterson** and **Kat Johnston** speak to the group, which was promoted by the district as well as the national organization of *Beyond Differences*. So proud of them and the recognition Roseway Heights has received in supporting all students!

It seems our weather is maybe starting to turn. Please make sure you send your child with a coat every day as only a hard rain will detour us from going outside for recess or a break. Also, please check the lost and found in the Gallery as there are a lot of items there.

Have a good week.

Sarah Lewins, Principal

A LETTER FROM MISS CYNTHIA:

Dear RWH students, staff and families,

Just wanted to send you all a short note about my "early" retirement. Since 1973, I've been moving toward this change. However, it is taking me time to accept it and adjust. This is probably because you have all been a part of my "second home." And I have considered so many of you as friends. What I already miss most is that sharing of our lives; both the commonplace and the special. You will all continue doing your best at RWH by educating our wonderful students. I treasure the time that I was a part of that too. I'll see you.

Thanks. Cynthia Wojack

Events @ RWH

First quarter ends

Thurs., Oct. 29

Burgerville Poetry Night Fundraiser

Thurs., Oct. 29, 5-8 p.m. NE 82nd & Glisan

Halloween/Dia de Los Muertos Celebration

Thurs., Oct. 29, 4-6 p.m. Madison - FREE, all ages

Teacher Planning Day, no school

Fri., Oct. 30

Oregon Battle of the Books general meeting

Mon., Nov. 2, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Roseway Library

Boys and girls' 6-8 grade basketball tryouts

Sun., Nov. 1 Madison

International Walk and Bike Day

Fri., Nov. 6

Fright night

The annual **Carnival and Haunted House** took place on Fri., Oct. 16. Many volunteers worked hard to make this a successful (and truly frightening!) evening. Thanks to all the community attendance and support, profits from this event were 25% higher than last year! These funds are used in numerous ways: staff allocations; SUN program support; homework club; library; and projects like last year's new MPR curtains (and this year — a new MPR sound system).

The PTA and Carnival Committee is grateful to its committee members, set-up and clean-up crews, booth volunteers, sign makers, the custodians and principal Sarah Lewins. A special shout goes out to Catherine Gentle for heading up the Carnival Decoration Committee.

Nearly 500 people came through the Haunted House this year, which makes this its most successful year ever. The PTA and Haunted House committee would like to thank its fearless leaders, teacher Richard Young and principal Sarah Lewins, as well as new teacher Natalie Gardner, for giving up her classroom for two weeks! Also, a shout out to teachers Grace Groom, Kent Anderson and Pat Lindenmier for sharing their classrooms with Ms. Gardner during free periods. You are all amazing!! We could not have done it without our RWH community.









Photos courtesy of Meghann Street-Buswell, Tracy Nunn and Sabrina Henley.

News and announcements

DO YOU DRIVE YOUR STUDENT/S TO SCHOOL?

All students are to be dropped off at the west side of the building in the parking lot. We have support staff in the west parking lot — along with our well-oiled safety patrol — there to make your drop off safe and swift.

Cars stopping (even if briefly for a quick drop off) in front of RWH cause traffic jams, jeopardize walkers' safety and often make it impossible for busses to pass through.

If you need to park and walk your child in, please park down a side street.

Drop off in the west parking lot or down the side streets — NOT in front of the building. Thank you.

TAG NOMINATIONS

Talented and Gifted (TAG) nominations are due by Mon., Nov. 2, 2015. If you wish to nominate your child for TAG, pick up an IDPF form. IDPFs in several languages are available now in the front office on the TAG Bulletin Board. IDPF forms require teacher input. Please begin this process now, as late forms will not be processed.

For more information about TAG, visit www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/tag/.

BRING IN YOUR BOX TOPS

I'm getting ready to send in a big Box Tops mailing, and there are many that expire Nov. 1! Please check around your house for all those little pink squares and put them in a baggie or envelope with your child's teacher's name on it for the chance to win a class popcorn party! Then, drop them in the blue box on top of the glass case next to the Main Office door.

Every Box Top is money for our school. Thanks everyone! Amy

WALK AND BIKE DAY

Remember to mark the calendar for our next Walk and Bike Day on **Fri.**, **Nov. 6.** We will greet you at the West and Front doors with snacks and incentives - plan ahead for the fall weather and talk to your kids about how you will travel to school that day.

Always drive? How about park 3-4 blocks away and walk? It doesn't take that much extra time and you and your kids get a few minutes of easy walking while reducing traffic around the school. They will feel great participating in our all school event!

Questions? Ask Mary at **mdrink@yahoo.com**. Thanks, *Your Walk and Bike Committee*.

BURGERVILLE FUNDRAISER

Come eat at Burgerville on NE 82nd & Glisan (inside or drive-thru) from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thurs., Oct. 29, and 10% of all profits go to the Roseway Heights 6-8 grade boosters!

A poetry reading inside the restaurant is open to everyone. Bring a family-friendly poem or joke to read into the microphone. A coloring contest is open to kids 10 and under. Win a Burgerville gift card!

A FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM THE KITCHEN

Please remember to check your student's account once a week to make sure they have money to eat breakfast and/or lunch.

Negative Balance Letters will be sent home every Tuesday. Ask your students if they received one. We appreciate your help as we continue to provide good and nutritious meals for your students. Thank you! Roseway Heights Cafeteria

DONATE BOOKS FOR KIDS

PPS is sponsoring its 3rd annual Book Harvest to support the Children's Book Bank. Last fall Roseway Heights donated more than 2,000 books to share with children who don't have many books at home to read. Way to go Roseway! Let's share the love of reading again by donating new or gently-used books for toddlers through middle schoolers. Now until Nov. 13, books may be dropped off at Student Services (the offices right next to the West entrance where the SUN Office is located). Questions? Contact Grace Groom at ggroom@hevanet.com. Thank you!

HALLOWEEN/DIA DE LOS MUERTOS CELEBRATION

Thurs., Oct. 29 from 4-6 p.m. at Madison

All ages are invited to this free celebration — there will be trick-or-treating, spooky storytelling, carnival activities, refreshments and treats. Get to know Madison faculty and staff, and join in building a stronger and more united community. Questions? Contact Sarah Delaney at sdelaney@pps.net.

FREE ESL CLASSES

Madison's SUN will be offering Adult ESL Classes again! Here's what you need to know:

Adult ESL Classes

Tuesday & Thursday evenings 5:30-7:30 p.m. Madison High School, Rm. B15 Oct. 6 through Nov. 24

Classes are FREE, no sign-up is required and childcare will be provided. All levels are welcome. For more information, flyers are available in the Roseway Heights school office.

LOST AND FOUND IS OVERFLOWING

Woah. The Lost and Found is exploding! On a positive note, I have seen quite a few students taking the responsibility and looking for lost items, good work!

Lunch boxes are a big problem right now as they usually contain food in containers, leading to unpleasant smells for volunteers. Please remind your child to put their lunch boxes in their classroom lunch bins after eating.

If the Lost and Found continues to grow at this rate, we will clean it out at Thanksgiving Break instead of waiting for Winter Break.

We could use more volunteers to help hang items and tidy our corner. If you have a few minutes to spare every now and then please contact me and I can give you a brief orientation. Lastly, if you have a spare clothing rack, plastic hangers (no wire hangers please) or a rubbermaid bin with a lid in good condition, we could really use it. Thank you, Antje antjegillard@gmail.com

PIL YOUTH BASKETBALL TRYOUTS - GRADES 6-8

The PIL Youth Program is expanding this year to bring basketball to our schools for 6-8 grade boys and girls. The Roseway program is holding tryouts this Sun., Nov. 1, at Madison High School.

Boys' tryouts: 6th grade: 1-2:30 p.m.; 7th grade: 2:30-4 p.m.; 8th grade: 4-5:30 p.m.

Girls' tryouts: 5:30-8 p.m.

This is a competitive program, so participation in tryouts does not guarantee a spot on a team. Recreational basketball through Portland Parks and Recreation will be available for players who do not wish to play in a competitive league.

For more about the boys' program, contact Joe Salvador at <code>jsalvador@pps.net</code>; for questions about the girls' program, contact Tammy West at <code>twest@pps.net</code>, or visit <code>www.madisonbasketball.net</code>.

SCRIP PROGRAM

Whether you're a returning RWH family, or brand new to our community, you've likely heard of Scrip. So what exactly is Scrip? It's fun, it's easy, and it raises thousands of dollars for our school!.

Simply put, Scrip means gift cards and gift certificates. It's a dollar-for-dollar value exchange, where you purchase a gift card or gift certificates from one of our participating retailers. The best part? These retailers contribute anywhere from a 4-43% rebate to our school on the sale of the gift cards. It's really as simple as that. You buy the gift card at face value, and our school gets money!

So how do you purchase Scrip?

Option 1: Complete an order form. Personal orders are placed weekly on Tuesday morning. Completed order forms including payment (cash or check made out to RWH Scrip) can be dropped into our Scrip envelope in the school office no later than Tuesday at 8 a.m. Order forms can be picked up in the school office, from the Scrip desk, or electronically on the PTA Facebook page.

Option 2: Stop by the West entrance after school to purchase directly from our desk. We are open M-W-F from 2-2:30 p.m. We keep all our bestsellers on hand: Fred Meyer's, New Seasons, Papa Murphy's, Safeway, Pizzicato, Petco, Amazon, Starbucks and more! We also sell Chinook Books. Sales at the desk are cash or check only.

We look forward to a successful year ahead. Try Scrip today!

WALK WITH PRIDE

The RWH PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports) Team is focusing on how students walk in the halls of school. Thank you parents and guardians for reinforcing this at home by reminding students that we walk, guide to the right, keep our hands to ourselves and show our Roseway Pride.

CITY OF PORTLAND SUN PROGRAM

SUN program session dates are:

Fall term: 9/28/15 to 12/18/15 **Winter term**: 1/11/16 to 3/11/16 **Spring term**: 4/4/16 to 5/27/16

DRAMA IS BACK!

The new RWH Drama Program is a go! All of the plays will be run by three experienced directors from **New Moon Productions** (NMP). You can learn more about this wonderful organization

at www.newmoonproductions.org.

Two of the three directors are from our very own talented parent pool and come to us with decades of theatre experience: **Amy LaRosa-Peters**, a 3rd grade parent, will direct the Middle School play while 1st grade parent, **Sara Kennedy Adams**, will take on the 3rd and 4th grade plays. The 5th grade play will be directed by NMP founder and Artistic Director **Michael Wehrli**, who has more than 25 years experience in theatre. We will be sure to announce performance dates and times as they approach.

We now have a Facebook page and a website!

We now have a Facebook page and website dedicated to the counseling work we do at Roseway Heights School. We'll be posting information about classroom curriculum, small groups and school-wide interventions. We're excited to share pictures and video of your children engaged in social/emotional skill building. It's a joy to work with our students, and we want the knowledge and enthusiasm to spread. We'll also use these pages to post counseling information that can help guide how you support your children. Feel free to contact us with anything you think others may benefit from knowing and we'll post that as well.

Our students have been participating in the National Be Kind Online Campaign. If you have a chance , take a look at these links:

https://youtu.be/XYpuae5k5 https://youtu.be/hk-7UFL5i2E

We continue our efforts to promote kindness and also self-regulation. Learning to stop and breathe is a skill that gives us time to calm ourselves, think and then act.

Our character trait for the month of November is Citizenship, where we will focus on attributes that make a strong community.

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Growing great schools

PPS enrollment is on the rise and projected to grow by another 5,000 students — to 53,000 — by 2025. Combined with consistently strong local support and a reviving economy, this means more revenue and a chance to rebuild programs and begin right-sizing schools to have:

Enough classrooms and students to offer a full academic program with reasonable class sizes at all grade levels without relying on temporary grants and parent fundraising. The full academic program includes enrichments and learning supports so that all students can excel.

Now PPS and a community-led advisory committee are collaborating on proposals to manage growth and support learning, such as moving boundaries, changing grade configurations, expanding existing schools and reopening schools that were closed.

On Oct. 29, there will be a Districtwide Boundary Review Advisory Committee Meeting from 5:45-8:45 p.m. at 501 N. Dixon St., during which scenarios will be released and posted online. The meeting will be streamed live at PPS 28 Live.

An online survey will be coming after the Oct. 29 meeting.

To find out how enrollment balancing scenarios were developed and to find information about meetings and timelines, visit http://

www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/ enrollment-transfer/9522.htm. You can also view a video and a sample scenario from the Oct. 8 meeting.

TIMELINE

October: PPS and advisory committee release proposals.

October/November: Community meetings, survey, Twitter and Facebook Town Halls to review proposals and gather feedback.

December: Advisory committee uses feedback to refine proposals.

January: Superintendent Carole Smith makes final proposal to the Portland School Board.

January/February: Board considers proposal, takes additional public comment.

February: Potential board vote on final growth management plan.

Fall 2016: Implementation of any board-approved plan expected to begin. Current policy allows students attending a school to remain there in the event of a boundary change in most cases. The school board would have to approve any proposal to change this policy.



Safety Patrollers of the Month

Angelina Le • Zach Puckett

Help congratulate these two students for their fabulous safety patrol efforts during the month of October!



We're collecting Box Tops again! Please look for the little pink rectangles on cereal boxes, granola bars, Ziploc bags, and many other products! Cut them out and turn them in to the box on top of the glass display case next to the office. Please put them in a bag or envelope with your child's teacher's name on it.

The class who turns in the most Box Tops by Dec. 1 will win a **popcorn party**! Every Box Top is worth 10 cents for our school, and the money really adds up! Questions? Ask Amy Bazley **abazley@hotmail.com**. Thanks!



PANTHER PAW OF THANKS

This paw of thanks goes to Stacie Iconi, Kemper Shrout, Lisa Coss, Janna Holm. Chantiel Attmore. Dani Oates and Erin Buehler

for keeping the bulletin boards up to date and looking beautiful. Way to go, everyone. Your hard work really does make a difference!

NEWS FROM THE ECO-TEAM

Ever wondered where you can dispose of recyclable bottles and cans while at the school? We now have a blue recycling bin located at the playground and a cardboard bin by the west entrance.

points will be used to support the RWH Eco-Team projects. Have questions or want to get involved? Contact Melissa Mulder-Wright at misakay@msn.com.



President Ginger Huizar gh2@pdx.edu

PTA NEWS

Volunteer! rwhvolunteer@gmail.com

Hello parents, teachers, staff and students,

October wrapped up with a very busy month. The PTA is happy to announce the Carnival, Haunted House, Run, Walk and Roll for the Heights, Bulb Sale and Apple Fundraiser were all a success this year. The Teacher Conference Soup Dinner was another crowd pleaser. Thank you to everyone who made these happen! We can not do it without you.

The PTA is currently accepting new and used book donations for the Children's Book Harvest through Nov. 13. Drop-off box is in Student Services.

Congratulations to student leadership and Ms. Van for winning a \$100 gift card for their #10DeepBreaths video submission as part of the Be Kind Online Campaign!

Thank you, RWH PTA

Ginger Huizar, President Sabrina Henley, co-Vice President Tracy Nunn, co-Vice President Katie Van Winkle, Treasurer

Valerie Klacik, Secretary Sherrie Burrell, Membership Brian Sheehan, Scrip Treasurer Grace Groom, Legislative Liaison

Brenda Britsch, Volunteer Coordinator, K-2 Kris Farrell, Volunteer Coordinator, 3-5 Heather Johnston, Volunteer Coordinator, 6-8

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Check out the Roseway Heights website

Visit our website at http://www.pps.k12.or.us/ schools/rosewayheights. For more information, email Chris Hansen at rwh@palmerhansen.com.

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