



Richmond Newsletter

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Letter from our Interim Principal

Dear Richmond Families,

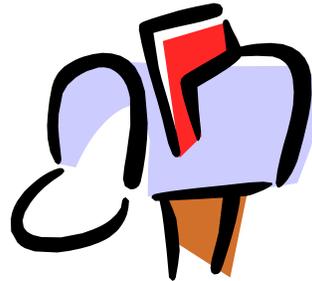
Early next week, an important school survey will arrive in your mailbox. This survey will take parents approximately 10-15 minutes to complete and put in the return mail via the enclosed, stamped and addressed envelope. The purpose of this survey is threefold:

1. Assess your perception about the quality of our work on behalf of your children;
2. Prioritize staff positions according to services that maximize support to students; and
3. Gather accurate demographic information to help us when writing grant proposals and/or clarifying Richmond's typical family makeup.

Please, please, please help us by taking the time to share your feedback about our work at Richmond. Survey results will be summarized and reported back to you via the newsletter and at general parent meetings. The information will help our staff and Site Council develop a strategic plan that truly meets the needs of our families.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Anderson, Interim Principal



CATCH OUR KINDERGARTEN ON FOX 12

Students in Jill-sensei's morning kindergarten classroom will have a chance to wish Portlanders "Good Day Oregon!" in both English and Japanese. You can catch this morning greeting from Richmond on the following dates and times. Please remember to set your VCR!

Tuesday, February 14th
and
Tuesday, February 28th
at
6:14 AM and 7:52 AM

NOTE: Children whose parents have requested they not participate in TV segments or school publicity of any kind did not take part in this televised greeting.

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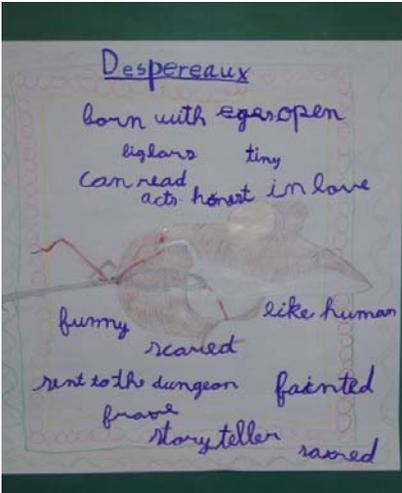
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AN EXAMPLE OF GREAT STUDENT READING & WRITING!



Picture of Joi's handwritten poem and beautiful illustration.

Have you or your child read the Newberry award-winning book, The Tales of Despereaux by Kate De-camillo? If you haven't had a chance to enjoy this wonderful story, then the poem in the next column will give you a powerful glimpse of the title character. This poem was written and illustrated by 4th grader Joi Fukushima under the guidance of our new reading specialist, Dr. Jill Ostrow.

Enjoy!

DESPEREAUX

By Joi Fukushima, grade 4

born with eyes open
big ears tiny
can read
acts honest in love
funny like human
scared
sent to dungeon
fainted
brave storyteller
saved

PROJECT SECOND WIND—MAR. 6-10, 2006

Each month an average of 70,300 children in Oregon receive emergency food through the Oregon Food Bank. Our annual "Project Second Wind" food drive gives students a chance to help their peers and learn about the issue of hunger in Oregon. Last year, students from around the state collected an amazing 52,249 pounds of food and over \$40,000 in donations.

Richmond students and their families can drop off donations of food during the week of March 6-10, 2006 in large boxes in our cafeteria. The next issues of our newsletter will give readers more specific ideas about the best kind of food donations to bring for Project Second Wind. In the meantime, here's a quick list to keep in mind:

OREGON FOOD BANK'S MOST WANTED FOODS

- Canned meats (tuna , chicken, salmon, etc.)
- Canned & boxed meals (soup, chili, stew, mac & cheese)
- Peanut butter
- Canned beans & peas (black, pinto, lentils, etc.)
- Pasta, rice, cereal
- Canned fruits
- 100% fruit juice (canned, plastic or boxed container)

PRODUCTS THE FOOD BANK CAN'T USE

- Anything in glass containers
- Rusty or unlabeled cans
- Perishable items
- Homemade items
- Non-commercially canned/packaged items
- Alcoholic beverages, mixes or soda



Project Second Wind
March 6-10th

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Japanese Magnet Program



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