

Chapman Elementary Spotlight Newsletter September 26, 2016

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Guest Principal's Message

For Mrs. Van Der Wolf's birthday, we decided to do her message for her! All of us have been concerned about the recent changes on the playground as well as the students protesting the changes. We've come to the conclusion to open the playground to the Fourth and Fifth graders on Mondays and Fridays. This way you get to start and end the week well with playground time! All of the days of the week will be open to first, second, and third graders.

We made these decisions because we have a limited amount of supervisors to take care of the kids on the playground. Plus, there are very few fourth and fifth graders on the play structure anyway. The other supervisors need to be on the turf field to take care of the other kids. We are open to parents willing to volunteer to help keep us safe, so then we can have more playground time.

The book fair starts on the first week of October! I think we're all looking forward to Captain Underpants!

5th graders Isabel & Milo

EDITOR'S NOTES: School administration, along with Mr. Studt, decided to try out some changes to the 4th/5th grade recess as explained above. These changes were not so popular with students, and have resulted in some creative civic engagement. After meeting with some 5th graders, we came up with a compromise. Students are encouraged to continue to voice their opinions through letter-writing and meetings with the principal.

Counselor's Corner

I don't know about all of you but getting back into the school year sleep schedule has been hard at my house. Keeping to our more lax summer sleep schedules is easy and fun but can really interfere with our children's capacity to learn and be a productive student. I have copied out below the number of sleep hours that is recommended from infancy through middle school. Best, Ariel Frager, Chapman School Counselor

Age	Recommended	May be appropriate	Not recommended
Newborns	14 to 17 hours	11 to 13 hours	Less than 11 hours
0-3 months		18 to 19 hours	More than 19 hours
Infants	12 to 15 hours	10 to 11 hours	Less than 19 hours
4-11 months		16 to 18 hours	More than 18 hours
Toddlers	11 to 14 hours	9 to 10 hours	Less than 9 hours
1-2 years		15 to 16 hours	More than 16 hours
Preschoolers	10 to 13 hours	8 to 9 hours	Less than 8 hours
3-5 years		14 hours	More than 14 hours
School Aged Children	9 to 11 hours	7 to 8 hours	Less than 7 hours
6-13 years		12 hours	More than 12 hours

TAG Program

There will be an information meeting on Thursday, October 6th. We will meet in the library from 6:30-8:00 to discuss the identification process, how TAG students are addressed at Chapman School, and other opportunities for our high achieving students. Please join us if you would like to learn more about this program.

Sincerely, Rochella Farnand, TAG Coordinator

IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING PILE DRIVING @ THE RAMONA

A public protest has been planned by the Pearl District Neighborhood Association and the Chapman PTA. It is planned for Sunday October 2nd @ 1 pm. Location: Hoyt Street Offices at NW 10th & Marshall. Please come with your families to support the Chapman PTA, students, and neighbors at the protest to urge Hoyt Street Properties to cease using pile driving in its Block 20 development.

Thank you to North 45 and all the Chapman families that dined out last Tuesday to support Chapman! 10% of sales go directly to Chapman – so get them on your calendar and get ready to take a night off from the kitchen!

Want to get in touch with other parents from Chapman? Add your contact information to the Chapman Directory and get connected! Those who ordered a printed directory are already included. <u>goo.gl/5f7Ben</u>

FALL CAMPAIGN IS ON!!

Our goal is \$230,000 - one-time and monthly donations are accepted. Many companies provide matching donations, please check with your employer. Funds raised are used to provide educational assistants, classroom enrichment opportunities and special projects. Donations can be made online at www.FriendsofChapman.org or turned into the office. Contact Nici Griffith at bnghefele@comcast.net for more information.

Multnomah Library will be doing a series of presentations:

4th graders – Jump into Research, Internet Safety 5th graders – Banned books, Jump into Research, Internet Safety

We're celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month! Plus the book fair will be from 9/28-10/11.

Upcoming Events

Swift Pizza Nights Ends Friday, September 30

The Swift migration continues! Support Chapman PTA by purchasing pizza, Chapman t-shirts and drinks while you and your family watch the Swifts spiral into the school chimney. 100% of the proceeds support Chapman school! Pizza sales happen every FRIDAY and SATURDAY night in the month of September! Contact Christian at christian@mustreed.com if you want to help or if you would like to pre-order a whole pizza for \$30.

- Invitation to Parents of K-5 Students To a Dessert Meetup hosted by moms in the Portland Eco-School Network- September 29, 7:00 p.m. Eco-School Network parents help "green" the experience of their children at school. At the meetup, learn how you can get involved for the 2016-17 school year. The Eco-School Network,<u>www.ecoschoolnetwork.org</u>, is an organization of parents from 40 schools who share ideas, experiences, and projects, in person and online, and provide mutual support and inspiration. The sponsor of the Eco-School Network is the Center for Earth Leadership, www.earthleaders.org. Please RSVP to Jeanne Roy, 503-244-0026 or <u>Jeanne@earthleaders.org</u>, and she will send you the name of your host and directions.
- Book Fair! Come support Chapman Elementary while stocking your bookshelves! The annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held from October 3-7 every morning from 7:40 - 8:00am and after school from 2:15 - 3:00 in the downstairs art room. Not able to attend the book fair? No problem! We also have an online site to order from until October 20th. All online orders will be delivered to the school. Check out the online sale at http://bookfairs.scholastic. com/homepage/ chapmanelementaryschool1.
- Fall Drama Club is starting Tuesday, October 18th at 2:20pm! Students will develop a toolbox of performance skills as they act out stories using only their voices, bodies, and imaginations. Our experienced theater educators will teach theater basics, from projection and stage presence, to expression and character development, while bringing stories to life! Sign-up today at www.nwcts.org/drama-club! For more info, contact youngplayers@nwcts.org.
- 2016-2017 Free/Reduced Lunch Application

Students who were receiving free or reduced-price meal benefits at the end of last year must fill out a NEW meal application for the 2016-17 school year. If benefits are denied or reduced when the NEW application is approved, families will have ten days before the change in eligibility takes effect. Students who have NOT submitted a NEW application will be required to pay full price for school meals starting Monday, October 10, 2016. Additionally, the Oregon Legislature passed a bill allowing school districts to provide lunch free of charge to students who are eligible for reduced price meals. Apply online http://www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/nutrition/index.htm or ask the school office for the paper form.

Volunteer Opportunities

CHAPMAN PTA and FOUNDATION NEED YOU

There are a few openings within the Chapman PTA and the Chapman Foundation. We work with teachers, parents and administrators to solve challenges, expand opportunities, plan events, fundraise and realize improvements at Chapman. If interested, contact PTA President: Christy Marten (ctmarten@yahoo.com):

- Vice President of Education Foundation Assist Foundation President with administrative tasks, run meetings in President's absence
- URGENT: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOW FOR THE CHAPMAN SCHOOL AUCTION: Friday November 18, 2016 at Pure Space! Please contact <u>veeryharper@gmail.com</u> to find out how you can help.
- The Chapman Scholastic Book Fair needs your help! We're looking for volunteers to run the cash registers and help kids find books before and after school the week of October 3-7. Signup online
- at http://signup.com/go/iNKd3e or email missylieser@gmail.com.
- Chapman lunches: Join us in the lunch room from 11-12:15 pm. Everything is different except the kids and the need for help. There are three separate waves of lunch. Kate and her assistant (the new lunch team) would appreciate the help. Please let Tiffany know if you can volunteer at all this year in the kitchen especially the first few weeks. Please contact Christian Reed at chrisian@mustreed.com if interested.

Community

Hillside Soccer League is now open for registration for kindergartners! Please visit http://www.lincolnyouthsoccer.org/hscf for information and registration.

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