



PSO News



September 20, 2013

Message from President

There was standing room only at Back to School night! I hope everyone discovered something new about the PSO and learned what your child's teacher has planned for the school year.

The rumors are true! We had a very L-O-N-G PSO meeting on Monday. Almost all of our committee chairs had information to share and we discussed several budget issues. It was wonderful to greet many new faces! Thank you to all of the attendees for hanging in there to the end. We covered a lot, so please ask any questions you may have. I promise that the first meeting of the year is the only meeting that goes that long.

Karen

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The Jog-A-Thon is Coming!

Jog-A-Thon is Friday, Sept. 27th.

Please come out and cheer on your children. Younger siblings are welcome! If you did not get the pledge envelope turned in, its not too late. Get them in by **Wednesday, Sept. 25th** and you will still receive one Eagle Buck. Don't forget to have your child wear their class color.

Class run times and colors are listed below:



Run Time	Grade	Class Shirt Color			
		Blue	Red	Green	Yellow
9:00-9:20	Kindergartners	Orchard (AM)	Rice		
9:30-10:00	5 th graders	Sheffels	Miller	Barendse	
10:10-10:40	3 rd graders	Krebs	Zell		
10:50-11:20	4 th graders	Otto	Smith	Waufle	
12:10-12:40	1 st graders	Brown	Langeliers	McCombs	Orchard (PM)
12:50-1:20	2 nd graders	Bell	LeBaron	White	

Scrip Orders due Monday, September 30

Chinook Coupon Books are now available through Scrip! The book is \$20 and the mobile app is \$15. The PSO receives 50% of the cost.

Order forms and instructions can be found on the PSO website, www.marywoodwardpso.com, under Events & Fundraisers.

For check orders, please leave the order form and payment in the Scrip box in the office by 3 pm. To pay by credit card via PayPal, place your order online at www.marywoodwardpso.com.

Orders will be available for pick up on the morning of Friday, October 4. You can also choose to have your order mailed to you.

Bonus! Mary Woodward's first restaurant fundraising night is on October 9 at Burgerville. Mary Woodward PSO will receive twice the benefit if you purchase Burgerville gift cards from Scrip and use them on the 9th.

Box Tops and Labels Info

The first collection contest of the year officially begins on September 23 and goes through December 6. The top three classes will earn an ice cream party! Each teacher has a collection envelope in their classroom so please send in your Labels and Box Tops that you've been collecting.

Did you know that you can register your grocery cards to automatically earn Box Tops and Label points for the PSO account at checkout? Register your grocery cards by following the websites below:

- GrowingLocalLearning.com for electronic Box Tops from your Albertsons card
- 2ways2earn.com for electronic Box Tops from your Safeway card
- Rewardyourschool.com for electronic Box Tops from your Fred Meyer and QFC cards
- elabelsforeducation.com for electronic Labels for Education from your Albertsons, Fred Meyer, Safeway and QFC cards

Please continue to clip your Box Tops and Labels and return them to your child's classroom as this allows us to "double up" our points and contributes to the classroom collection contest.

Attached to this newsletter are the current Participating Product listings for both the Box Tops and Labels for Education programs. If you have any questions regarding these programs, please contact Jessica Brown at jlbrown003@hotmail.com or Donielle Brown at classroom_mama@yahoo.com.



Making Our School Better, Together. The Mary Woodward Parent Support Organization (PSO) was established to promote quality education, communication and understanding among the students, parents, faculty and the community of Mary Woodward Elementary School. The PSO sponsors various academic and social programs, coordinates volunteer activity and conducts fundraisers, all in the spirit of providing enrichment for our students and assistance for the work in the classroom. All parents and legal guardians of enrolled Mary Woodward students are invited to participate in the PSO. There is no cost for membership. Meetings are usually held the second Monday of each month.

For more PSO news online, visit www.marywoodwardpso.com.

Missoula Children's Theatre

Missoula Children's Theater will be at Mary Woodward on Monday, October 14 through Saturday, October 19.

Your child received a detailed registration form this week with all the information they need to participate in this enriching week long residency experience. More forms are available in the office if or email jennyherman@comcast.net. Cost to participate is \$45 per student, which includes 2 tickets to see the show.

This year, MCT will be casting up to 60 Mary Woodward students, grade K-5, to perform in a full-scale musical production of "The Wizard of Oz". There will be two performances at Mary Woodward on Saturday, October 19 (3pm and 5:30pm). Ticket information to follow.

What is the MCT?

The Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT), the nation's largest touring children's theatre, has been touring extensively for 41 years now from Montana to Japan, and will visit nearly 1,200 communities this year with up to 47 teams of Tour Actor/Directors. A tour team arrives in a given town with a set, lights, costumes, props and make-up, everything it takes to put on a play...except the cast. The team holds an open audition and casts 50-60 local students to perform in the production. The show is rehearsed throughout the week and two public performances are presented on Saturday. All MCT shows are original adaptations of classic children's stories and fairytales . . . a twist on the classic stories that you know and love. Creativity, social skills, goal achievement, communication skills and self-esteem are all characteristics that are attained through the participation in this unique, educational project. MCT's mission is the development of lifeskills in children through participation in the performing arts.

How will my child benefit from this experience?

The primary goal of MCT – indeed, the organization's mission – is the development of lifeskills in children through participation in the performing arts. Within each MCT cast, girls and boys are equal; the disabled become able; the shy experiment with bravery; the slow are rehearsed to perfection; and the gifted become part of the whole. The lesson they learn is that all of them are necessary for the show to go on. Few arenas exist where responsibility is taught and learned so clearly. MCT provides a unique opportunity to learn the lessons of group dynamics while excelling as an individual – a lesson from art that carries into life. MCT strives to use participation in the performing arts as a vehicle to develop lifeskills including social skills, communication skills, self-discipline, a strong work ethic, an understanding of the team concept and self-esteem.

Upcoming Events

September

23: Box Tops Contest #1 starts
24: Picture Day
27: Jog-a-thon
30: Scrip Orders Due

October

3: Health Screenings
9: Burgerville Fundraiser Night
14: PSO Meeting (6:30 pm)
14: [Scrip Orders Due](#)
14-19: [Missoula Children's Theatre](#)
21-25: Book Fair
28: Fall Enrichment Classes start
28: [Scrip Orders Due](#)
29: Picture Retakes
31: Halloween Parties

Did You Know?

The PSO has a website! This is a great resource for committee information, printable calendars, contacts, and past meeting minutes. If you ever have a question about what is going on with the PSO, this is the place to look. It's a great resource: check it out today!

www.marywoodwardpsocom

Fall Family Matinee Program

The Valley Cinema in Beaverton is offering their annual Fall Family Matinee Program. Matinee Season Tickets admitting children to all 10 movies are now available for purchase in the school office for only \$10. That's just \$1 per movie. And to add to this great deal, parents accompanied with children holding season tickets are admitted FREE! Children 3 and over must have tickets to be admitted. The sale of the tickets will end on October 18th. So don't delay, stop by the school office and purchase your tickets today!

It's Burgerville Night!

Come and support Mary Woodward by having dinner at the HWY 99 Burgerville on October 9th from 4-8pm. 10% of the profit made that night will go directly back to our school. This includes drive thru orders as well. Students don't forget to write your name on the poster in the restaurant under your teacher's name. The class with the most students who attend Burgerville night will receive a milkshake party for their classroom. It's going to be a fun night; you won't want to miss out!



Fundraising Tip of the Month

When you use your Target **REDCard**[®], you receive a 5% discount every day. You also receive free shipping at Target.com.



With Target's Take Charge of Education[®] program, you can select Mary Woodward Elementary School online, and Target will donate up to 1% of your REDcard[®] purchases made at Target stores in the U.S and at Target.com.

If you already have a Target **REDCard**[®], please double check that you have selected Mary Woodward as the school to receive the 1%. If you are a frequent Target shopper, please consider applying for a Target **REDCard**[®].



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