



# PSO News

## Mary Woodward Elementary



### Message from President

Another activity-packed month has come and gone at Mary Woodward!

Thank you to **Alisa Gillett and Jessica Brown** for coordinating this year's Jog-a-thon! This event is the first of two main fundraisers that the PSO puts on, and they did a fantastic job of encouraging participation, staying on top of all of the day's details, and keeping track of all the pledges and donations. Thank you to the "**Portable Crew**" who turned all of the pledge envelopes around so quickly. Thank you also to **the parents** who came out to count laps, serve water, and cheer for the students!

Thank you to all of the **families** who dined at Five Guys last month. Our restaurant nights are fun and bring in more funds for PSO programs. Thank you to **Amanda Pileri and Jennifer Feeney** for setting up the great night.

Thank you to **Ashley Freeborn** for chairing this year's fabulous Book Fair! In one quick week, many students bought new books to read, families purchased books for their teachers' classrooms, and over \$3000 was earned for new books for the Mary Woodard Library! Thank you also to the **setup crew, all of the cashiers, and the cleanup crew** for helping to make the Fair so successful.

Thank you to **Laura Wiekling** for planning the wonderful Staff Appreciation Lunch during conferences.

Thank you to all of the **Room Parents** and their party helpers for hosting fun Halloween classroom parties.

Thank you to all of the **parents** who posted Local Option Levy yard signs, placed door hangers on doorknobs, and labeled mailers! Your efforts spread the word about the importance of the levy renewal and showed your support of our district's schools.

Thank you to **Jenny Herman** for coordinating Missoula Children's Theatre this week. She did a great job of recruiting and managing all of the people involved in the Robin Hood production. I am sure the two shows on Saturday will be fabulous!

I hope to see you and your student at next week's Science Fair! Enjoy the long weekend while you watch your student put the finishing touches on their display board.

Karen Emerson ([karenemerson@frontier.com](mailto:karenemerson@frontier.com))

### Missoula Children's Theatre

#### Missoula Children's Theatre has arrived in Tigard!

The auditions are complete and 55 of our students have been working very hard all week to put on a full scale musical for our school and community. THAT'S YOU! "Robin Hood" will be performed on the Mary Woodward cafeteria stage at **3pm and 5:30pm Saturday, November 8**. That's tomorrow! The show is about an hour long and is fun for the whole family. If you don't already have your tickets, they are available at the door for \$5. Come out and cheer on our students and support live theatre!

November 7, 2014

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## Mary Woodward Family Movie Night Presents...

Please join us for a very fun family event on **Friday November 21st** at Mary Woodward Elementary. The doors will open at 6:00 and the movie will begin at 6:15. Feel free to bring something to sit on and a dinner to enjoy while watching the movie. We will have bottled water and a variety of movie type snacks to purchase. The cost of entry is one can food per person or \$5 per family.



## Yearbook Pictures Wanted!

**Did you take pictures at the Jog-A-Thon? or Halloween Parties?** The yearbook staff would like copies of those pictures. Choose your best high resolution pictures and upload them to our server at <http://imagesbalfour.com>. The project number is 521362 and our password is "baldy1". You can also burn them to a CD and place it in the yearbook folder in the workroom. Just be sure to label the CD with the event and what class they are from. Thanks!

## Biscuits Fundraiser Night

### Join us for Breakfast for Dinner!

Mark your calendars and please join us at Biscuits Café on Barrows Road on **Tuesday November 18th from 5-7:30PM**. Biscuits will open their restaurant just for us, and will serve food off of their breakfast and lunch menu! They will donate a portion of their proceeds back to Mary Woodward. It will be a fun night you won't want to miss!



## Piccolo Mondo Fundraiser Event



Mary Woodward is teaming up with Piccolo Mondo for a very special fundraising opportunity from **Nov 10th through Nov 14th**. The store will donate 15% of purchases

made by Mary Woodward families during those four days. Just bring in the flyer that will be coming home soon, or mention that you are from Mary Woodward. Have fun shopping!

## Upcoming Events

### November

3-7: Candy Donation Program  
3-8: Missoula Children's Theatre  
10-14: Piccolo Mondo Fundraiser Event Days  
13: Science Fair Evening  
14: Science Fair All School Review  
17: PSO Meeting (8:30 am)  
17: Scrip Orders Due  
18: Biscuits Fundraiser Night  
21: Family Movie Night  
26: Yearbook Cover Contest ends

### December

5: Box Tops Contest #1 ends  
8: PSO Meeting (8:30 am)  
8: Scrip Orders Due  
15: Scrip Orders Due  
17: Staff Cookie Exchange  
22-31: Winter Break

### 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](http://www.marywoodwardpso.com).

## Fundraising Tip of the Month

If you do a lot of holiday shopping on amazon.com, the PSO can really use your help! If you go to [www.marywoodwardpso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpso.com) and click on our amazon.com link before you shop, then the PSO can earn up to 15% of your purchase.



## Holiday Bazaar Update

Unfortunately, the PSO has to cancel this year's Holiday Bazaar. Tigard High School is hosting a Craft Bazaar on December 6. We hope you will visit that event as some of our vendors will be there. The Holiday Bazaar will return next year!

## Yearbook Cover Contest

**The yearbook cover contest is under way.**

All 4th and 5th grade student should have received a flyer describing all the details about the cover contest. The theme this year is "And the Story Begins..." Please pick up an 11x17" sheet of paper from the office. **All cover art submissions are due in the office by November 26th.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Yearbook Committee, Deborah Anderson ([debandersonus@yahoo.com](mailto:debandersonus@yahoo.com)) or Jennifer Feeney ([jenfeeney1@gmail.com](mailto:jenfeeney1@gmail.com)).

## Please Join us for the Next PSO Meeting

**The next PSO meeting will take place: Monday, November 17 at 8:30 am in the cafeteria**

All are welcome to come and participate. We hope to see you there!

## Next Scrip order date is Monday, November 17

**Thanksgiving is around the corner!** Purchase grocery store gift cards to buy all you need for your Thanksgiving dinner.

**Will you be shopping on Black Friday?** Purchase gift cards for the stores you will visit and Mary Woodward will benefit! Amazon, Target, and Best Buy are just a few of the vendors you can purchase gift cards for through Scrip.

*LIMITED TIME OFFER: For every 1 Columbia Sportswear \$50 Gift card purchased, you will receive 1 pass to the Employee Store good for up to 4 people.*

**Next Scrip order date is Monday, November 17.**

Order forms can be found on the PSO website, [www.marywoodwardpso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpso.com), under Events & Fundraisers. For check orders, please leave the order form and payment in the Scrip box in the office by 2:30 pm. To pay by credit card via PayPal, place your order online at [www.marywoodwardpso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpso.com).

Orders will be available for pick up on the morning of Monday, November 21. You can also choose to have your order mailed to you.

## 2014-2015 MW PSO Executive Committee & Board Support

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## Do I Have an Opening Bid for Auction Planning?

Do you like to plan fun events? Are you and a friend looking for a project to do together that would help the school?

### The PSO needs YOU!

We need Someone or Two Someones to plan our Spring Fundraiser!

The second main fundraiser of the year raises the other half of the funds we need to continue our programs next year. Money goes towards Reading Assistants, Field Trips, Art Lit, Science Fair, and Garden Support plus many other programs.

There are several options for what this event could be....

- An online auction
- A spaghetti feed auction at the school with entertainment for the kids in the gym while the parents are bidding in the cafeteria
- A dinner auction at a local venue with both silent and oral bidding
- An event that you create!

Procurement needs to start as soon as possible to ensure that there are plenty of items to bid on! Many companies have placed their Donation Requests on their websites, so a lot of the asking can be done on a computer at any time of day.

If you have any interest in helping plan this important event, please contact Karen Emerson at [karenemerson@frontier.com](mailto:karenemerson@frontier.com) or 503-579-3955.

## Jog-A-Thon 2014 Update

### Top Lap Runners

- Kindergarten: Crew C. and Mia S.
- 1st Grade: Max M., Hailey G., Bailee O. and Elizabeth T.
- 2nd Grade: Hudson B. and Addie H.
- 3rd Grade: Vance C., Caden T. and Jenna M.
- 4th Grade: Gavin C. and Lily H.
- 5th Grade: James C. and Ashley T.

### Top Fundraisers

- Kindergarten: Jameson J.
- 1st Grade: Peyton B.
- 2nd Grade: Brooklynn B.
- 3rd Grade: Sabine K.
- 4th Grade: Tara M.
- 5th Grade: Zachary Z.

### Top 3 Fundraising Classes

- Sheffels, Orchard PM and Langeliers

Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers who helped to make this year's Jog-A-Thon a success, and congratulations to all of our Top Lap Runners and Top Fundraisers!



## 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!

[marywoodwardpso.com](http://marywoodwardpso.com)

## We're on Facebook



### Want to be in the know?

Stay connected with Mary Woodward school and PSO happenings...

Join us on Facebook!

[facebook.com/woodwardpso](https://facebook.com/woodwardpso)

# *Pacific NW Native Americans and their Totem Poles*



The Pacific Northwest Coast runs from Alaska, Canada, Washington, Oregon and finally down to the Northern Coast of California. As a territory, there were more people in this one area than in any other territory of native people ever recorded. There were more than 70 distinct tribes of people. In addition, the mild climate and abundant natural resources allowed the tribes to spend time and resources on art forms and crafts that many other native tribes would not have been able to do.

The arts and crafts that Northwest Indian artists are best known for include basketry (including distinctive basket hats and capes), intricate woodcarving (especially ceremonial masks, majestic totem poles and canoes), and weavings (including the unusual Chilkat (Chill-cat) blankets). Each Northwest Indian nation has its own characteristic artistic designs and type of art work dependent on the specific resources in their area. We are going to focus on totem poles this month!

Totem poles tell a story about an important event or person, favorite fable, lesson learned, belief or origin of a tribe, clan or particular family. These poles are similar to a poem where many ideas are expressed using only a few symbols. For the month of November, students will create individual animal totems using clay. Then, by stacking these individual totems, we will create multiple totem poles for their class! These totem poles will be displayed in the library after they have been fired in our very own kiln.



*Did you know?*  
The Pacific NW  
Native  
Americans  
were the only  
native groups  
to carve totem  
poles.

It's never too late to sign up to help with Art Lit! Helping hands are always appreciated. Please contact [artlit chairs@gmail.com](mailto:artlit chairs@gmail.com) for more information.

