



Mary Woodward Elementary

Parent Support Organization Newsletter

NOVEMBER 1, 2019

GARDEN CLEAN-UP TOMORROW

Twice a year volunteers spend a day in the garden cleaning it up for the upcoming season. Can you help us?

No tools are necessary, and you do not need to be a gardener or have any experience to participate. Because this is a weekend activity, you can bring the whole family! A light lunch is provided in the garden at noon. Volunteers are needed from 9 am to 2 pm, and you can [sign up here](#). The weather will be dry and sunny but cold, so please dress accordingly!



THE FALL BOOK FAIR IS COMING NOVEMBER 4-9



This is a way to put books into your children's hands as well as helping put books into our library. Every purchase made, earns us Scholastic dollars to spend on new books for our library. Please look for the flyer that was sent home with important information about our book fair.

Want to get involved? It takes a lot of volunteers to pull off a week long event. If you'd like to help, check out the [available times and pick up a shift or two](#)! Thank you!

Questions? Email mwchairbookfair@gmail.com

WALK + ROLL TO SCHOOL NEXT WEDNESDAY

Save the date for the next Walk + Roll to School Day on **November 6**. Walking or rolling to school is great exercise, makes you ready to learn, improves the air quality around our school, and is a lot of fun!

Walks depart from the TVF&R Station on Walnut and the Summerlake Dog Park.

All walking school buses and bike trains leave for school at 7:40 am. Walk + Roll to School days happen rain or shine.

If you live outside comfortable walking distance but would still like to join the fun, there are two meeting locations where you can park and then walk or bike with your children. Please [see the route map for more details](#), and contact Jennifer Vasicek (jen.vasicek@gmail.com) with any questions.



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STAY IN TOUCH!

There are many ways to keep tabs on PSO activities:

- Visit our website (www.marywoodwardpso.com)
- Like us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/woodwardpso)
- Read this newsletter
- Come to a PSO meeting

MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATER IS COMING TO NEXT WEEK

Missoula Children's Theater will be at Mary Woodward on Monday, Nov. 4 through Saturday, Nov. 9.

This year, MCT will be casting up to 60 Mary Woodward students, grades K-5, to perform in a full-scale musical production of *The Snow Queen*. There will be two performances at Mary Woodward on Saturday, Nov. 9 (3pm and 5:30pm). Tickets will be on sale the week before the show and available for \$3 in advance and \$5 at the door. A detailed registration form was sent home with your child today, containing all the information they need to participate in this enriching week-long residency experience. Forms will be accepted at the office through November 1, end of school day. Cost to participate is \$45 per student, which includes 2 tickets to see the show. Registration form is not complete until payment is received. Auditions are on Nov. 4 immediately after school, no advanced preparation needed.

"We'd love to, but my kids are in sports and other activities!" I get it, mine are too! It's worth noting that there is not another opportunity for your child to take only 6 days off from their other activities and get to participate in a full-scale musical, build a show to perform on stage, and gain the life experiences they can from the MCT residency. You do not want to miss this, get your forms turned into the office next week!

If you want to volunteer to help with this residency, we could use a few hours of help with various tasks (some at home, some at school, some the week of the residency and some in the weeks before), so please [click here to view our needs and see how you can help](#). We are also looking for two host families to host two of the tour actors (female) from November 3-10. They only need a private room and access to the internet. Hosting a tour actor is a really wonderful experience for the whole family.

Additionally, we are looking for a videographer/media expert for hire, so if you know someone who could provide that service, please email mwmctchair@gmail.com.

If your child does not want to audition, be sure to come watch the show! It's a one hour, full scale musical, great for all ages. You will not be disappointed! **For more information about MCT please take a look at the link on the [PSO website](#).**



UPCOMING EVENTS

November

- 2: Garden Clean-Up (9 am—2 pm)
- 4-7: Wilson Orthodontics Candy Buy-Back
- 4-9: Fall Book Fair
- 4-9: Missoula Children's Theatre
- 4-19: Food Drive/Thanksgiving basket collection
- 6: Walk + Roll to School Day
- 11-17: Piccolo Mondo Holiday Shopping Fundraiser
- 12: Panera Specialty Fundraiser (4-8 pm)
- 15: PSO Meeting (8:30 am)
- 25: Staff Appreciation Potluck
- 25-26: Conferences
- 27-29: Thanksgiving Break

December

- 4: Walk + Roll to School Day
- 6: Movie Night
- 18: Staff Cookie Exchange

GARDEN HELPERS NEEDED

The Garden Committee is looking for volunteers who can occasionally be available during the school day to help teachers and students with garden projects as needed. Assignments could include accompanying a class to the garden or helping lead a garden presentation.

If you'd like to help, please contact Nancy Ross at nross@ttsd.k12.or.us.

THANK YOU, OCTOBER VOLUNTEERS!

This month's magic number is 1,313. That's the number of volunteer hours that have been given to our school by our families just since the start of the year, and that *truly is* magical! Thank you, volunteers!

LET'S SAY THANK YOU TO OUR STAFF!

We are providing a soup and salad luncheon for the staff on Monday, November 25th from 11:30-1:30.

[Please click here and sign up to bring a dish if you are able.](#)

The teachers love getting away for a bite to eat during those long conference days and it's our way of saying thank you for all their hard work!

JOIN US IN NOVEMBER FOR THREE SPECIALTY FUNDRAISERS!

During the month of November, we'll be offering THREE specialty fundraisers:

Halloween Candy Drop Off - November 4-7th, 2019

Drop off your excess Halloween candy and Wilson Orthodontics will pay cash for your kids' candy and donate the cash to the school. Candy will be sent to deployed soldiers to give them a taste of home!

Piccolo Mondo—November 11-17

Mark your calendars for November 11th-17th...we've partnered with one of our favorite local toy stores, **Piccolo Mondo!** Birthday gifts? Holiday shopping? Bring in a flyer or mention Mary Woodward PSO, and 15% of your total purchase amount will be donated to our school.



Panera—November 12

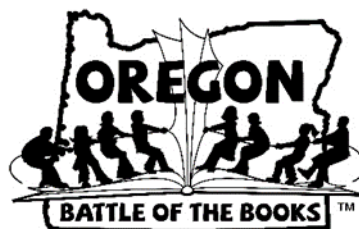


Dinner plans? Make Tuesday night easy and support our school at the Washington Square **Panera**, November 12th from 4-8pm. Present the attached flyer or show the mobile version when ordering, and they will donate 20% of sales to Mary Woodward's PSO. Jam-packed schedule? Order online with the code "PRFUND" and take yours to go.

For more info on any of these events, please see the flyers attached to this newsletter.

OREGON BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

Attention all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade [Oregon Battle of the Books participants](#): Permission forms are in, and teams are being finalized! [This year's titles](#) are amazing, and we are getting ready to READ! On November 14 there will be an after-school activity for participants to get in some practice and get a better feel for what a battle looks like. Permission forms for participation in the November 14 activity will come home soon.



If you have questions, please contact Melanie Bailey at mbailey@ttsd.k12.or.us.

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: SAMANTHA CIRAULO

Each month one volunteer will be chosen at random to be highlighted in this space. The spotlight volunteer will also receive a small gift to thank him or her for their dedication. Our October volunteer is Samantha Ciraulo. Thank you, Samantha, for giving us the gift of your time!

Children's names/grades: Sal Mitsuda (5th grade), Finn Mitsuda (Kindergarten), Shiloh Mitsuda (Kindergarten)

How she volunteered this month: Samantha helped in the library and in Mrs. Petterson and Mrs. Cannon's (kinder) classrooms.

Something you've learned from volunteering: I've learned how much I enjoy being involved in the school and getting to know the students, the teachers and faculty, and fellow parents.

Favorite Mary Woodward event: My favorite event is the Jog-a-Thon because I love seeing how hard all of the kids work together, whether rain or shine, to run as many laps as they can for their school.

Your favorite thing about being part of the Mary Woodward community: Knowing that my children are surrounded with teachers and volunteers who truly care about them and are dedicated to giving them the best educational experience.



FOOD DRIVE AND THANKSGIVING BASKET COLLECTION

Mary Woodward's Annual Food Drive and Thanksgiving Basket Collection will be taking place November 4-19.

Last year, we raised 3,000 pounds of food for families in need; our goal this year is to provide 3,500 pounds of food. Please join the Ambassadors in raising food donations for families in need.

The top 3 classrooms with the most food donated will win a prize. Details and specific needs can be found on the attached flyer.

POINSETTIA SALE

Support our school garden by buying a poinsettia this holiday season!

Orders must be turned in to the office by November 15, and vouchers can be picked up between November 22 and December 4. An order form is attached to this newsletter.



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Mary Woodward Holiday Shopping Fundraiser

Who doesn't love shopping for great toys?

Please join us at Piccolo Mondo, a locally owned toy store, for a holiday school fundraiser!

- DATES:** Monday November 11th-Sunday November 17th 2019
TIME: 9:30am-7:00pm daily
WHAT: 15% of your total purchase amount will be donated to *Mary Woodward PSO*.
WHERE: Piccolo Mondo Toys at Progress Ridge
12345 SW Horizon Blvd. Suite 43, Beaverton, OR 97007

Looking for gift ideas? Visit their website at www.piccolomondotoys.com. Out of town? Family and friends who are unable to attend can call in orders at 866-578-TOYS. How does it work? Piccolo Mondo normally tracks and gives a \$10 reward for every \$200 in purchases to their customers...but from 11/11-17 all customer credit goes directly to Mary Woodward! Please come support our school and a locally owned family business!
(Due to the 15% donation, coupons and special offers will not be accepted during this event).





HELP SUPPORT

MARY WOODWARD PSO

WHERE 10230 SW Washington Square Rd, Tigard, OR 97223

WHEN Tues, Nov 12th

FROM 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Bring this flyer or show an electronic version to the cashier when you place your order and we'll donate a portion of the proceeds from your purchase.*

Ordering Online? Try Rapid Pick-Up.

Enter "PRFUND" as your Promo Code to have a portion of your proceeds donated to your organization.

Learn more at [FundraisingPaneraBread.com](https://www.FundraisingPaneraBread.com)

*Gift card purchases and catering orders are excluded and will not count toward the event.

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Mary Woodward Annual Food Drive and Thanksgiving Baskets Collection

November 4th-19th



Food Drive/Thanksgiving Baskets Facts:

- Last year we raised **3000 pounds of food** for families in need!
- Baskets will be made for our **Mary Woodward families in need first** and then all remaining food will go to other local Tigard families in the 97223 & 97224 zip codes.

Now is the time to GIVE.

Please help the Mary Woodward Ambassadors collect the following foods and **meet our goal of 3500 pounds of food** this year!

Thanksgiving Basket Needs

Boxed Stuffing
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit
Cranberry Sauce
Package Gravy Mix
Sugar
Flour
Canned Sweet Potatoes
Canned Yams
White Long Grain Rice
Refried Beans

Food Drive Needs

Canned Meats
Canned and Boxed Meals
Peanut Butter and other Nut Butters
Canned and Dried Beans and Peas
Pasta, Rice and cereal
Canned Fruits and Vegetables
100% Boxed Fruit or Vegetable Juice
Cooking Oil
Shelf-Stable Milk
Cranberry Sauce
Package Gravy Mix



Mary Woodward Community Needs

Nut-free Individual Snacks like Wheat Thins, Nutri-Grain Bars, Goldfish, Shelf-Stable Fruit Cups/Applesauce etc..

Deliver All Food to
Your Child's Classroom

Which Classroom Will Give The Most Food?

The **top 3 classrooms** with the most food donated by November 19th will **WIN A CLASS PRIZE!**



Red

Jingle Bells

White

Pink

Support the Woodward Gardens

Mary Woodward is selling poinsettia vouchers that can be redeemed at any Al's Garden Center location. The funds raised will be used to support the Woodward Gardens.

About the poinsettias:

Grown locally by Al's Garden Center, the poinsettias are beautiful and will last through the holidays and beyond. Poinsettias are available in the colors pictured above.

Order forms must be received in the office by November 15. Vouchers can be picked up in the office the week of November 18-22. Vouchers can be redeemed at any Al's Garden Center from November 22 to December 4.

Please contact Nancy Ross at nross@ttsd.k12.or.us with any questions.

6.5" poinsettias have one plant per pot and are 15"-17" in height with 6+ blooms

Cost \$15

8.5" poinsettias have two plants per pot and are 24"-27" in height with 10+ blooms

Cost \$30

Woodward Gardens Poinsettia Order Form

- *Make checks payable to Mary Woodward Elementary.*
- *Money and order forms are due to the office by November 15.*
- *Vouchers can be picked up the week of November 18-22.*

NAME

PHONE

6.5" vouchers
(\$15)

8.5" vouchers
(\$30)

\$ TOTAL