

February 2012 Newsletter

Julius A. Wendt Elementary

John C. Thomas Middle School

Wahkiakum School District Mission Statement:

We believe that education is a partnership with responsibility shared by all: school, family, students, and community. All individuals shall be provided a safe, positive environment where they may reach their fullest potential as responsible citizens.

Wahkiakum School District Vision Statement:

Learning is the mutual responsibility of the student, staff, and the parents.

The goals of this vision are:

- To provide and maintain a positive school environment that enhances the learning experience for students.
- To create, model, and maintain a school climate that develops acceptable social interaction and behavior.
- To provide an equal education opportunity for all.
- To incorporate technology into the educational environment to assist in meeting educational goals.

2nd Quarter Grades – We completed the second quarter of school on January 31st, grades will be mailed out on February 7th. If you do not receive your child's report card please contact the office. If you have concerns about your child's grades or progress please contact teachers for a phone or in person conference. Please remember that we offer homework help in room 9 Monday-Thursday from 3:05 – 4:00. Mrs. Merz also has her room open at middle school lunch time Monday – Thursday.

Parent Computer – We have set up a computer for parent use in the foyer by the office. We invite you to take a look at the school website and use the computer to access your child's grades, attendance and lunch account information. If you do not yet have Family Access please ask the office how to sign up. This is a great tool to keep track of your child's progress in their classes.

Snow Make-Up Days – We will be making up the two days we lost due to snowy weather on Wednesday, February 29th and Friday, March 16th. Thursday, March 1st will now be an 11:30 release for mini-winter break.

Spring Sports – Track practice can start on Monday, March 5th. Please remember that athletes must have a physical, proof of insurance and emergency medical release to be eligible for the first practice. There are also other forms that must be completed before the first event. We are in the process of hiring new track coaches for the Middle School.

Yearbooks on Sale! – The 4th – 8th grade yearbooks are on sale in the office for \$13.00. We use a presale format for the yearbooks so we know how many to have printed. If you would like to purchase a yearbook please do so at the office. Students who make the purchase are asked to do so before school or at lunch. Yearbooks will be on sale until April 1st, 2012.

Hoops for Heart – Mr. Johns held the annual Hoops for Heart event on Friday, January 20th. The students raised almost \$523.56 for the American Heart Association. Thanks to all who participated and donated to this event.

CALENDAR:

Wednesday, Feb. 1st – Boys' Basketball @ Adna – game 5:45, bus leaves 3:15

Thursday, Feb. 2nd – Gear Up Enrichment Activity – Cake Decorating with Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Doumit – 3:30 – Room 4 – Students must be signed up prior to event.

Monday, Feb. 6th – Boys' Basketball HOME vs. Napavine – 5:00 game

Tuesday, Feb. 7th – ***Make-Up M.S. Boys' Basketball Game HOME vs. Adna 5:00 start***, M.S. Assembly – 2nd Quarter Awards, PTO Meeting 6:00 – Library

Wednesday, Feb. 8th – Elementary Assembly – Monthly Awards, Boys' Basketball @ Winlock – game 5:45, bus leaves 3:40

Monday, Feb. 13th – Boys' Basketball HOME vs. Toutle Lake – game 4:30

Tuesday, Feb. 14th – M.S. Valentine's Ball – 2:10 – 3:05,

Wednesday, Feb. 15th – Boys' Basketball @ Toledo – game 5:00, bus leaves 2:55

Thursday, Feb. 16th – Tentative date for Gear Up Field Trip to OMSI

Monday, Feb. 20th – No School – President's Day

Wednesday, Feb. 22nd – School Board Meeting – 7:00 – H.S. Library