



CASCADE CUB NEWS

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MRS. KIRKPATRICK'S CORNER

PARENT CONNECTION: Teaching Responsibility

Responsibility is our character trait for the month of October. Students will learn about this trait through skits performed by their peers, recognition from adults when it is demonstrated, and a classroom award for two students who demonstrate responsibility consistently, throughout the month. The following excerpt provides parents with ideas on how they can foster responsibility in the children in the home:

Parents often wonder what kind of tasks their children can be expected to participate in at home. Just how much responsibility should be given to a child? While many tasks are beyond a child's thinking skills and physical capabilities, most of us do not see the tremendous potential we have as parents to teach children responsibility very effectively. Every child who carries some consistent responsibilities around the house gains from the experience. The child who has jobs to do feels more a part of the family. He feels important, even competent, and yes, bigger. Responsibilities help a child gain independence and self-reliance by learning to do a job and taking credit for it. This trait will help the child in school and in all of life's endeavors. Find peaceful happy times to talk lots with each other about the roles everyone plays in the household. Help your child see how important his/her role is to you. Having a regular schedule of times to do jobs, works best. Now a word about the watchful eyes of your child! You can count on your child learning responsibility if he/she sees you taking responsibility seriously, such as being on time, carrying through with a promise, and watching you regularly gain satisfaction from a job well done. The example you provide in the home can do wonders in teaching this valuable life trait.

We look forward to recognizing examples of responsibility in your children throughout the month of October.

Source: <http://www.preksmarties.com/connection/connectionMay.htm>.....Karin Klein, Administrator, [Red Hill School](#), Red Hill, PA.

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EASTMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

CASCADE ELEMENTARY

CHARACTER TRAIT RESPONSIBILITY



Able to choose for one's self between right and wrong, does what is expected at all times.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

October 6	Individual Picture Day
October 7	Site Council Meeting in the Library @ 4:00 p.m.
October 8	Early Release for Teacher Training @ 12:00 p.m.
October 9	NO SCHOOL- Professional Day
October 20	PTO Meeting in the Library @ 7:00 p.m.
October 21	Site Council Meeting in the Library @ 7:30 a.m.
October 28, 29, 30	NO SCHOOL- Patent—Teacher Conference Days

** Student Care will be open on October 8th and 9th if enough students sign up by Friday, October 2nd.
Students will also need to sign up for care during Conference Days.

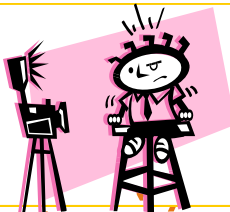


Please be sure your child knows his/her after school plan when they arrive on campus each day. If there is a change in plans, contact the office and a message will be given to your child. Because Cascade does not have playground supervision, all students are expected to either attend Student Care, or leave campus when the bell rings at 3:30 p.m. The school office closes at 4:00, so if your child has not been picked up by that time, he/she will be escorted to Student Care.

INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

Retakes will be on Thursday, November 5th



THE SPECIALIST CORNER

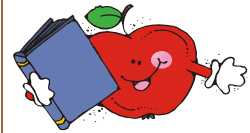
Library

Welcome back to the Cascade Library for the 2009/10 school year. As you may already know, I am the librarian at two schools this year, Cascade and Grant. I complete four school days here and then move to Grant for the next four school days – it is a bit confusing but I think it will be fine once we establish our routine. This year we have an ongoing four day specialists rotation – Days A, B, C and D. Please ask your student what day is their library day. Then refer to the monthly calendar that is included in the newsletter to see what specialist day falls on each school day.

We have been busy learning about and remembering how the library is organized as well as the process we use for checking out books. Please help your student to establish a routine for taking good care of their library books and for returning them on time so other students can enjoy those books as well. During the month of October we will continue to learn about the various types of materials in the library and how to find the books we want and need.





Be on the look out for information coming home soon regarding our Book Fair that will be happening during conference week at the end of October – it is a great opportunity to purchase some wonderful books for your child at a reasonable price and to help the PTO purchase new, exciting books for our Cascade Library. Please stop by and visit if you have any questions.

Karen Kneadler
Cascade Elementary School Librarian




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Music Notes

-  All grade levels are successfully reaching their daily learning targets and having a good time playing instruments and singing.
-  This year the music room will receive a new laptop, projector, and SMARTboard. Technology integration is top priority this year.
-  3rd graders will begin rehearsing for their November 17th concert called "FREEDOM".
-  The Cascade Music Room website will be up and running by November– anticipate the big reveal!

Ami VanderSluis
Cascade Elementary Music Teacher

LOOK FOR

Scholastic
Book
Fair
during conference week!

DRESS CODE REMINDER



Students are not required to wear uniforms but all clothing, including shoes, need to be appropriate for the school setting. Flip flops and sandals are prohibited due to safety concerns during recess and physical education. Shorts and skirts need to be at least fingertip or knee length, and shirts should cover the midriff. Tops with spaghetti straps and halter-tops are not to be worn to school. However, tank-tops that are at least 2 inches in width may be worn. Do not send your child in clothing with inappropriate language or logos such as those advertising alcohol or tobacco products or containing illegal substances or illicit behavior. Any clothing or item which suggests a "gang" relationship is strictly forbidden.

Thanks

PTO CORNER



PTO would like to thank everyone who attended the Back to School Pizza Party.

It was a huge success with a record number of families turning out. We would also like to thank all the returning parents and new parents who have stepped up to co-chair an event this year and volunteer for the PTO.

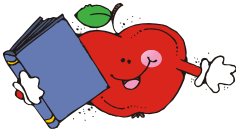
PTO meetings are every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. Child care is provided for free in the gym for those parents attending the meeting.

We hope to see you there!

If you would like to get on the PTO email list please let the school know.

We send out agendas, minutes, and volunteer requests that way.

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SALMON FESTIVAL

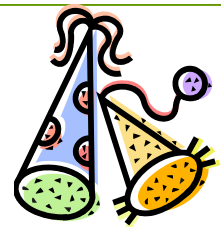


Our fourth grade classes attended the Salmon Festival in Leavenworth during September as part of their Life Structures studies. Crayfish have been ordered and will be arriving in their classrooms for students to do an up close study of living organisms. They will also be working with snails.



BIRTHDAYS AT SCHOOL

If you are planning to do something special to celebrate your child's birthday at school, please check in advance with the teacher. Party invitations and gifts are not allowed to be passed out unless every class member is invited. Please do not have flower arrangements or balloon bouquets sent to your child at school. It is disruptive to the class, other children's feelings may be hurt, and they are not allowed on the buses.



ATTENDANCE

Communication with Cascade's office regarding your child's attendance is very important.

Any day your child will not be attending school for any reason will need to be relayed to the school office prior to 9:00 a.m. so that his/her absence will be excused. Please try to make all appointments for after school hours. If this is not possible, please sent a note to your childs teacher advising them of the appointment.

