

Coyote Howler Canyon Creek Elementary PTA Newsletter

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Letter from the Co-Presidents

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Happy New Year!

We hope that 2014 is off to a great start for your family.

Looking forward to our PTA General Membership meeting this Tuesday, January 14th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Come and hear about what we are up to! You will also have an opportunity to see our new book room and hear from our Principal, Pete Misner.

We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
Lisa Ziz and Melissa Barton,
PTA Co-Presidents

Upcoming Events

- January 14, PTA General Meeting
- January 18, Missoula Children's Theater Performances
- January 21, Kindergarden Registration Begins
- Feb. 10-14, Box Tops
- February 11, Election Day!

Welcome 2014!



The Ballots are coming!! Are you informed and ready to vote in the February Election?

23% of the Northshore School District's operating Budget and the possibility of a brand new high school to facilitate grade reconfiguration and help alleviate the pressure of population growth in the north end of the district are two big issues voters will decide on with the casting of their ballots in February. Canyon Creek's PTA voted at their November Board Meeting to endorse and support all three of the ballot measures proposed by the school district.

If you are not yet familiar with the measures on the ballot here is a quick review:

Renewal Education Operations Support Levy – 23% of the district's budget for daily operations and educational programs is provided by this levy. This levy would renew an expiring levy we passed in 2010. Passage of this levy would **not** add any additional tax dollars.

Capital Projects Bond

Replaces worn-out roofs, boilers, heating and ventilation systems
Maintains and renovates aging schools
Builds a new 9-12 high school to address huge enrollment growth issues
Finishes the final phase of the Woodinville High School remodel

Renewal Technology Levy

This is also a renewal levy to replace a levy approved in 2010 that expires in 2014. This levy would continue our efforts to stay relevant and keep up with changes in technology, to expand student computing devices and integration of technology in the classroom

With only 43% of the Canyon Creek Community voting in the last Bond/Levy election in 2010, we have some work to do to make sure our friends and neighbors get out and vote!! Let's improve our voter statistics this year!!

Action Needed from PTA Members -

- Visit www.citizensfornorthshoreschools.com or www.nsd.org to read more about the measures and educate yourself so you can talk with neighbors and friends.
- Talk with friends and neighbors about the Bond/Levy at the bus stop, neighborhood meetings, social gatherings and remind them to watch for and then mail their ballot.

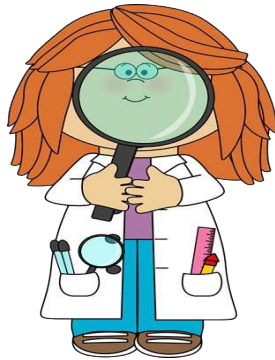
- **MOST IMPORTANTLY – VOTE, VOTE, VOTE!!!
Three votes to support Northshore Schools!**



Upcoming event – **BOXED LUNCHES** in February.
Our goal is to provide a boxed lunch for every staff member.
We will be sending out more information and sign-ups soon!

Do you want to be included on the email?
Send us your information
(msdaniel4@gmail.com OR liz.m.wright@gmail.com)

We are going to need a lot of parent volunteers for this one!



What an amazing family science night!

The PTA held the 8th family science night for Canyon Creek students and families about health and wellness with several hands-on experiments including dental hygiene, heart health, nutrition, exercise, and balance activities, just to name a few.

A BIG “THANK YOU” to all the volunteers for the help promoting, setting-up, running the stations, and cleaning up!! We could not have done this without the volunteers and community business that participated in this event. Outstanding science volunteers recognized (apologies if we missed anyone): Melissa Kline, Amber McAfee, Megan Kearney, Colette, Juliette, and Annabelle Puoci, Deborah Gerrard, Julie Kerr, Melissa Arnold, Melanie, Kylie and Taylor Monson, Kathleen Dunn, Julie Bates, Melanie and Nic Welp, Kristie and Alec McVay, Dianne Kinney, Dave and Makenna Barton, Sebastian Ziz, Cindy Brown, Joanne Burkett, Jenna Hyppa, Dr. Heyamoto and staff, Lake Washington Technical Dental Hygiene students and Danette Lindemann, Dr. Meadows, NW asthma and allergy, Bothell Pediatric Hand Therapy, Falck, Kathryn Johns, Hope Heart Institute, Washington dairy council, and Mrs. Lindley’s 4th grade and Ms. Smith’s 3rd grade classes (for making the wonderful signs around school).

2014 Legislative Focus Day

February 4, 2014

Kick off 2014 by advocating for kids. Join PTA activists from across the state in Olympia for WSPTA's annual Legislative Focus Day. Please let your friends and neighbors know about Focus Day. Check in with them at the bus stop, or while dropping off or picking up the kids, and invite them to join you.

For more information and to register, check out the link below.

http://www.wastatepta.org/meetings/focus_day/index.html



Canyon Creek PTA along with Missoula Children's Theater invite you to attend the performance of

Cinderella

an off-beat musical version of the classic

Saturday, January 18th

at 3:00 and 5:30 p.m.

Canyon Park Junior High School.

Tickets are \$5.00/person

Do you have a child that will turn five years old by August 31, 2014 or know a neighbor that does?

Kindergarden registration dates are earlier this year!

Kindergarten registration packets can be picked up from the Canyon Creek office starting Tuesday, January 21. Please return completed packets to Canyon Creek by Friday, January 31, 2014.

Parents are invited to attend one of the District's Kindergarten Orientations in March.

For detailed information about registration and the orientations, please see the Northshore School District's website link:

<http://webold.nsd.org//education/components/scrapbook/default.php?sectiondetailid=61859>

SAVE THE DATE FOR

Canyon Creek's Annual



***When:* SPORTS FAN FRIDAY - MARCH 7, 2014**

***Where:* BOTHELL HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

***Time:* DOORS OPEN @ 6:00PM, BINGO FROM 6:30-8:30PM**

Come decked out in your favorite sports jersey or team colors!

BINGO NIGHT does sell out!

Watch for pre-order registration forms and classroom bingo basket donation information to come home in your child's Monday envelope in February.

REMINDER!

PTA Membership Goals 2013-2014

100% Teacher Membership

10% increase of last year's membership (507 members)

Total Members as of January 1st: **389**



Canyon Creek Elementary PTA will be holding
 an **Art Gala and Silent Auction**
 on **Friday, May 16th**
 and we need volunteers!

We are looking for help with photography the night of the event, procuring donations, or helping with the event that evening (set up, decorations, take down).



Have an idea for a classroom art project that we can auction off, or just want to help the children create one? We are looking for parent volunteers to help on the art side of this amazing event too!

If you are interested in helping, please contact the event chairs:

Megan King (silent auction) 360.708.6369 or 705kings@gmail.com

Jennifer Pengelly (art gala) jennly@comcast.net



Own a business? Have unused gift cards or movie tickets? We are looking for items of all sizes for our auction. From theme baskets to vacations or mini getaways. Please contact Megan King if you have an item to donate.

Membership Update

Thank you to the 23 faculty and staff members who have joined PTA so far.

Thank you to the PTA Families who have sponsored a teacher this year.

We have 11 teachers sponsored! If you would like to sponsor a teacher, please email puocimama@gmail.com

New This Year: Electronic Membership Cards!

Every member registered will receive a welcome email from WA State PTA with all the information you should need, including your ID number and links to various resources available through the WA State (wastatepta.org) and National PTA (pta.org) websites. If you have not received this email after 2 weeks of turning in your membership form or have any questions regarding membership please contact Colette Puoci at puocimama@gmail.com.

Howler Hoorays!



A big **THANK YOU** to all the families that contributed to the fantastic December Staff Appreciation Holiday Desserts! Faulhaber, Kline, Hays, White, Zaback, Thompson, Simmons, Yarbrough, Mus, Allred, Puoci, Sol, Alderin, Gibson, Belcher, Swallow, Longdon, Wong, Sloan, Holmes, Slywka, Boes, Kim, Bhatti, McCormick, and Arnold. And a **HUGE THANK YOU** to Lori Hays and Melissa Kline for making Family Science Night fantastic!

We're on the Web!

Find us here:

<http://canyoncreekpta.ourschoolpages.com/Home>

Like us on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/canyoncreekpta>

Want to add something to the Howler?

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Catch up with the Northshore School District at:

www.nsd.org

Follow Washington State PTA at:

<http://www.wastatepta.org/>



Get up to date information on our PTA news and events!



Click here:

<https://www.facebook.com/canyoncreekpta>

Check it out and “Like Us”!

Get Ready, Get Set, Go Get Those Box Tops!!

It's that time again!

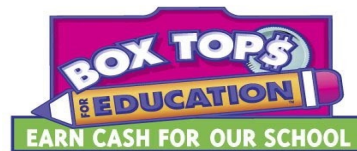
Our second contest of the 2013-2014 school year sponsored by the Canyon Creek PTA, will be Feb 10th - Feb 14th.

The top 3 classes with the most Box Tops will win a popcorn party!

Ask your Parents, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles to start saving those Box Tops and you can help earn money for your school!

Also, don't forget to support your school by shopping online through the Box Tops Marketplace to earn e-Box Tops for your school! There are over a hundred sites to choose from including familiar major retailers!
Go to boxtops4education.com to sign up.

Please contact Stacey Arnold with questions (staceycsimon@hotmail.com)



Get connected. Stay involved.



SCIENCE EXPERIENCE OF THE MONTH: Ice Bubbles



What makes liquids freeze and turn into a solid?



Water will freeze below 32F making ice.

As the temperature gets lower, the molecules that make up the water slow their movement down and form a lattice that creates the rigid solid form of ice.

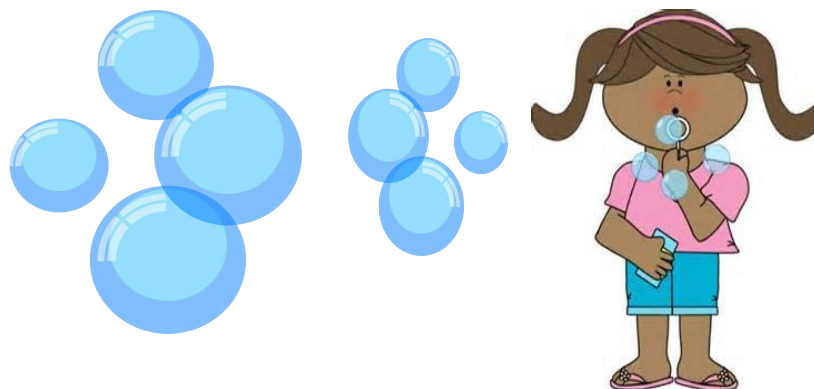
Try freezing different liquids like rubbing alcohol, beer, oil, milk, and other liquids you want to test to see if they freeze below 32F.

When it's freezing outside, try this twist on blowing bubbles....make ice bubbles that you can catch and shatter.

Visit this website for directions.

(There's also a link to making ice bubbles in your freezer.)

<http://sciencemadefun.net/blog/?p=348>



Join PTA Today!

Becoming a PTA member at Canyon Creek gives our school important voting strength at the WA State PTA level (the more members, the stronger our vote).

Anyone can be a PTA member of Canyon Creek - it is not just limited to parents of students or folks planning on volunteering with PTA events.

Membership is the heart of PTA and we all make a difference, so consider becoming a member today.

Your PTA Membership ...

...helps provide funds for both inside and outside the classroom
 ...is a sign of support for our students and staff.
 ...is our legislative voice!

We are looking forward to

Popcorn Fridays,
 Family Science Nights,
 BINGO,
 Art Docents, Art Gala,
and so much more!

****All PTA members will receive a free Canyon Creek Student Directory!****

To join, simply fill out the form and return to the office at your convenience.

Please make checks payable to Canyon Creek PTA. Thanks for your support!

Questions? Colette Puoci, Membership Chair, at 425-686-8103 or puocimama@gmail.com

Membership Type (circle one):

Individual (\$)13.00

Family (two adults) (\$)21.00

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Youngest Child's Name: _____ His/Her Teacher: _____

(Your PTA Membership Card will be emailed to you from WA State PTA)

I would like to volunteer. Contact me. I'm interested in _____

I'm not able to volunteer but am happy to support PTA with my membership.

(We look forward to seeing you at the many PTA sponsored events throughout the year.)

SPONSORSHIP REQUESTS/ DONATIONS

Sponsorship requested (completely confidential) 100% assistance or partial assistance \$ _____ (fill in amount)

I would like to donate to the scholarship fund \$ _____ (fill in the amount)

I would like to sponsor a teacher or staff's membership \$ _____ (fill in the amount)

Canyon Creek Elementary is non-profit and all donations are tax deductible.