

Meriwether Lewis Elementary School

Weekly Letter

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March 30, 2011



Lewis School hosts Summer Camp!

Camp Invention runs July 11-15th with a focus on science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) activities through inquiry-based, hands-on learning for children entering grades 1-6. Camp Invention runs in partnership with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and has low teacher-to-student ratios. New curriculum each year! A \$25 discount is available if you register by March 31st! Go to www.campinvention.org or contact Tiffany Cook at tiffany.a.cook@gmail.com for more information.

Looking for Contractor for Stormwater Infiltration Basin

We are looking to reduce the rainwater runoff from our parking lot and are applying for grants to help us with this project. We are in need of a contractor to create a stormwater infiltration basin on the Lewis property if we are awarded a grant. We need 85 yards of soil excavated at a discounted rate. If you know of anyone who can do this work, please contact Julie at 503-754-8996.

Wednesday Mornings - Join the Lewis Bike Train or Walking Bus

Every Wednesday morning join other parents and students in riding our bikes or walking together to school.

5th Grade Rummage Sale

Gently used items may be dropped off at Parent Angie Toops home anytime during the week. She lives across from Lewis at 4225 SE Glenwood (2 story white house on the corner of Glenwood & 42nd). Items may also be dropped off at Woodstock Community Center (5905 SE 43rd Ave) on Friday from 2-4 pm. If you have furniture to donate, please bring it to the Woodstock Community Center on Friday. Do not bring it to Angie's house. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Volunteers are needed at the Woodstock Community Center from 7:00 pm - ? on Friday April 1 to set up and on Saturday April 2 from 7:00am-3:00pm during the Rummage Sale. Please call Angie @ 503-775-3664 if you are able to Volunteer.

Spring Picture Day is Coming

Tuesday, April 12th is Spring Picture Day. All classrooms will be taking their group picture. This will be the only opportunity for students to be included in their class picture. Every student will receive a class picture compliments of Lewis PTA. Students may also have individual pictures taken.

Order forms can be picked up in the school office. If you only want the class picture, you do not need to complete an order form.

PTA Meeting on Tuesday

April 5th at 630pm
Childcare provided.

PTA Board Member Nominations

PTA is now accepting Board Nominations for the 2011/12 School year! please contact Jeanette Finley 503-772-0108 or fill out Nomination form in the school office. Voting will take place at our last PTA meeting on May 3 2011.

Walk & Bike Day - April 7th

By the First Thursday of April, Spring will finally be here! Join other students and families in walking or biking to school April 7th. Enjoy the spring air, hot chocolate, raffle prizes and great fun as we celebrate human power in getting to school. Free repairs for kids bikes right after school too. Mark your calendars!

Kung-Fu Club

Kung Fu Club will not meet over Spring Break, nor the following week back.

Term III will begin on April 5th, and ends on May 31st. Contact Lara @ 503-381-7626 or info@westsideakf.com with any questions.

Oak Bay Secondary School Choir to Visit Lewis

The Oak Bay Choir from Victoria, BC will be here on Wednesday, April 20 at 9:00am to perform for Lewis students and staff.

Rosetta Stone Lab

Families of English Language Learners (ELLs) are invited to practice English using Rosetta Stone. We meet in the computer lab every Tuesday and Thursday from 3-4. Please see Tracy in the office to sign up.

If you would like your child to practice a foreign language using Rosetta Stone, the computer lab is open after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3-4. A teacher is available to help students navigate the program, choose appropriate lessons and monitor progress. If you are interested, please email Leslie Lauretti at llaurett@pps.k12.or.us or put a note in my mailbox.

Lewis Talent Show

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! All you talented and creative kids!!

It's time again for our Annual Talent Show! May 13th is going to be a night of music, dance, comedy and who knows what else! Please look for permission slips coming home for parents to sign. Auditions are set for Monday, April 18th and rehearsals will be April 25th and May 2, from 3:15-4:30.

Dress rehearsal will be May 9th from 3:15-5:00.

If you have any questions regarding the show or if you would like to help, please contact Patti Jay @ 503.847.4792

Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home on Friday, April 1, 2011

Save the Date:

Lewis Elementary Art Night: Thursday, May 7



Chef David Anderson of Genoa Visits Ms. Wienand's Classroom

On Tuesday, March 15, 2011 Chef David Anderson of Genoa visited Ms. Wienand's classroom to help them learn about herbs and to make some pesto pasta. This is part of our partnership with Mr. Anderson, [Genoa Restaurant](http://GenoaRestaurant.com) and the Chefs Move to School program.

Mark your calendars. . .

Lewis Garden Fair is coming April 23rd.

Largest Fundraiser of the Spring Term!
Free family-friendly event open to entire community. Featuring a Plant Sale, Art Market, Bake Sale, Live Entertainment and student-led tours of the garden.

For more info on the event or to learn how you can be involved, check out:

www.LewisGardenFair.com



Cookie Bakers!

Cupcake Makers! Looking for homebaked treats for the Garden Fair Bake Sale. A sign-up sheet will be outside the school office next week with all the details