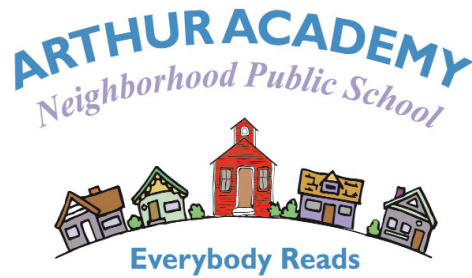


David Douglas



December Newsletter

Adopt-A-Family

The parent group and school staff have committed to providing some of our families with Christmas presents this season. We have done this each year and would like to continue the tradition. Starting Friday, December 1st, after school you may pick one or more snowman tags off of the giving tree with the desired gift written on it. Once you have picked your "snowman", return the gift unwrapped no later than Tuesday, December 12th. There will be a wrapping party Wednesday, December 13th after school.

Festival of Music

The all school music concert will be on Tuesday, January 9th at 7:00 PM. Each class will be performing songs they have been practicing since October. All students need to be there by 6:45 and locate their classroom teacher. Please no running around. We want to be welcomed back to use the David Douglas facilities.

Campbell's Soup Labels & Ink Cartridges

We are still collecting Campbell's soup labels. However, when you send them to school they must have the UPC code attached or they are no good. You are welcome to send in your box tops too. If you have cans or bottles you may donate them to the school. We are NOT collecting ink cartridges anymore.

PE Teacher

We have a new member that has joined our staff recently. The former PE teacher took a full time teaching position but we found an excellent replacement. Ms. Sheridan will be providing PE lessons to the students at David Douglas, Reynolds and Portland AA. She just moved from the east coast to be the assistant soccer coach/lacrosse coach at Pacific University.

Siblings next year

If you have a student currently attending Arthur Academy the younger siblings are granted in for Kindergarten. Please send a note to school letting Ms. Arnold know if you will be sending a kindergarten for the school year 2007-2008 to Arthur Academy. Next year's kindergarten will be 1/2 day with YMCA providing kindergarten enrichment for families who need it.

Parent Meeting

There is no parent meeting scheduled for the month of December. The next parent meeting will be held Tuesday, January 16th, 2007. A babysitter will be available.

Arthur Academy Board Meeting

Any parent is always welcome to attend the Arthur Academy board meetings. They rotate each month within the 4 Arthur Academy locations. The next meeting will be held Thursday, January 11th, 2007, at 7:00pm. There is NO day care provided for this meeting.

4th Grade Writing Test

In January the 4th graders will be taking the state writing test. Teachers will send home notices of specific dates at a later date.

All school bowling

The parent group has organized an all school bowling day on Saturday, January 20th from 1:00-?. More information will be sent out with location and prices.

Handyman or Electrician

We have a great big popcorn machine that was donated to the school but we have only been able to use it once. We are looking for someone to “fix it” so it is usable again. If anyone has some expertise in popcorn machines, electronics or wires let Ms. Arnold know.

Friday, December 15th- Activity Day

Your students work very hard every day. Friday, the 15th is a reward day for all the hard work they do. Each class will accomplish their academic work in the AM. Then in the afternoon the students will have an option to go to their pre- picked activity. If you would like to help on this day please contact Mrs. Vess or Mrs. Nelson. One of the choices is a Christmas movie or making Christmas crafts. If you do not want your child to watch a Christmas movie or make a Christmas craft please contact your child’s teacher.

Library Picker-Upper

We are looking for some interested parents in each class who would be willing to gather age/grade appropriate books and bring them to the classroom, then in 2 weeks take books back and pick up a new stack of library books. If you are a K, 1st or 2nd grade parent who would like to read a short story you found at the library please contact your child’s teacher.

Christmas Stockings Ideas

If you need Christmas stocking ideas most kids could use a new set of crayons. We recommend the twistable crayons. The older grades could use colored pencils.

Wanted

We are collecting empty plastic liter pop bottles for PE class. Send with your child to school and give to classroom teacher if you have any. We need about 60 bottles.

Reminders

- “Adopt a family” gifts due back.....Wednesday, December 13th
- Last day before break.....Friday, December 15th
- 1st day back from break.....Tuesday, January 2nd, 2007
- MLK- No school.....January 15th, 2007