

Reynolds Arthur Academy Summer Information

June 20, 2007

- **School Supplies:** Ms. Arnold, our new school manager, will be mailing out a summer newsletter with specific information about school supplies. As we did this year, you will be asked to contribute \$20 towards the purchase of most supplies that will be shared by students.
 - **Daycare:** Reynolds Arthur Academy is planning to be able to offer before and after school care, as well as afternoon care for kindergarteners in the fall. Ms. Arnold is talking with the YMCA program about setting up a site at RAA and will send more information as soon as it is available.
 - **Standardized Test Scores:** On each student's report card you will see an item called "WRMT" which stands for the Woodcock Reading Mastery Test. This is a standardized assessment that we use as an approximate grade level of words that each student is able to read orally. In other words, a grade level score of "3.4" would mean that the student is generally able to read words at a difficulty level equal to "3rd grade, 4th month". The score combines a "Word Identification" test and a "Word Attack" test, which measures phonics or decoding skills. *This is not a measure of reading comprehension or understanding vocabulary.* You will also see a score called "TWS" which stands for the "Test Of Written Spelling" in grades 1-5. This is a standardized test of a dictated list of words that students write. It gives an approximate grade level of words that each student is able to spell independently.
Later in the summer, you will receive official test scores for the Stanford Achievement Tests that students took earlier this month. These test scores will show achievement levels in Reading, Math and Language. In the past we have hand-scored these tests and given you the results along with report cards. We are now sending the tests in to the publishing company for official scoring, which takes several weeks.
Additionally, 3rd, 4th and 5th grade scores for the Oregon State Assessments will be sent to you when they are received.
- **Aug. 7** - RAAPO (Reynolds Arthur Academy Parent Organization) meeting. 7:00 p.m. Please attend to help plan for the back-to-school picnic and organize events for next school year. Location "TBD".
 - **Aug. 25 at 4:00** - Back-to-School Family Picnic, to be held at Blue Lake Park.
 - **July -August: Summer Meal Program** at Davis, Glenfair, Hartley
See enclosed flyer for specific information.
All children are invited to eat a healthy meal at no charge.

The school phone number is 503-465-8882 and the FAX is 503-465-8883. Please keep the school informed of any changes in your phone number, address or email that may occur over the summer. The Arthur Academy business office phone number is 503-762-6061 if you should need more immediate assistance during the summer.

As of Monday, June 18, all email sent to the school address (reynoldsadmin@arthuracademy.org) will be received by Ms. Arnold, not me. Classroom teachers have their same email addresses.

I will be back at school after the 4th of July to pack up, but I will never forget the amazing children, dedicated parents and committed teachers that I have had the privilege of working with over the past three years. I wish the very best for each and every one of you and I will be back to visit and check in on our special little school.

Most Sincerely,

Peggy