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News and Events



From Kelly Myers - Music Teacher

We're off to a great start in music class this year at Trillium Creek. Students have been singing, playing instruments and moving to the beat of the music. It's so fun to just pick up where we left off last year and begin again—practicing all of our musical skills together.

On October 20th, we had a special assembly by Obo Addy African Drummers. It was fun to see Alex again and listen to him and his friends play their beautiful drums. Students and staff were called up to dance and everyone had a blast! Alex also delivered our three new drums for the music room. They are directly from Ghana and are beautiful! Thanks PTA for your help to purchase them and this wonderful African music assembly.



The Junior and Senior Choirs are up and running with many strong singers working to perfect their singing voices. Our Senior Choir of 4th and 5th graders is 48 members strong and they already sing beautifully! We are looking forward to a fabulous year representing Trillium Creek and singing in our community. We will travel to Tanner Springs Retirement Center on December 1st to share our music with their residents.

Our 3rd grade classes presented a wonderful program all about "Autumn Days." They were our first grade level to perform and they did an awesome job!

Please find our other concert dates below and be sure to mark your calendar:

December 7th - Junior/Senior Choir Program 6:30 pm

December 14th – Kindy/1st Grade 6:00 pm - Frisiras, Work, Mosser and Lira 7:00 pm - Blackhurst, Jones, J. Johnston and Prasnikar

February 22nd - 5th Grade Program 6:30 pm

March 15th - 4th Grade Program 6:30 pm

April 26th - 2nd Grade Program 6:30 pm

May 2nd - Senior Choir Program 6:30 pm

I am still hoping to find a few parents who might be interested in being our Music and Arts Partners representatives. It's an easy job! Please let me know if you might like to help.

The best part of my day is singing with your children. It's a wonderful gift!

Here's to a great year! Mrs. Myers Volume 6, Issue 12 November 30, 2017

Calendar of Events

December



Dec 6 - Professional Growth Wednesday. Early Release at 12:10 pm

Dec 6 - Winter Craft Fair 12:10 - 2:00 PM Registration required.

Dec 7 - Jr/Sr Choir Concert 6:30 pm

Dec 8 - Progress Reports sent home

Dec 11-14 - Forest Flyers

Dec 11-14 - Final Week for Enrichment Classes

Dec 13 - K/1st Grade Music Program

• 6:00-6:45 pm Work, Frisiras, Mosser & Lira

• **7:00-7:45** pm Blackhurst, Jones, Johnston & Prasnikar

Dec 15 - Celebration of Community Sing-a-long

Dec 18-Jan 2 – No School Winter Break

January



Jan 3 – Classes Resume

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WINTER CRAFT FAIR

Sign up to volunteer at the Winter Craft Fair. This is a great way to make holiday crafts and gifts with Trillium Creek students. Project skill levels range from novice to intermediate, so please sign up to volunteer! <u>https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/volunteer/viewOpportunities2</u>

DANCE WITH THE DEBS

The Debutants have been hosting Dance with the Debs fundraiser since the 1970s, so it is a long time West Linn tradition. The team teaches K-8th grade children a dance to a Christmas song and they perform it for their families and friends at the end of the day on Saturday, December 9th. You will find the registration form attached!

WEST LINN LIBRARY

The West Linn Library now has Book Drops in all 6 West Linn Primary Schools!

We are offering a book return service in a place where children and families already frequent. This will help families and school staff to returning their books on time, avoid late fees, and lessen the need to run one more errand.

How to use your Book Drop:

- Return your public library books along with your school library books to your primary school.
- The public library will pick up items once a week and they will be checked in as of the date you returned them.
- This means your items may appear on your account for up to a week.
- Only Clackamas County (LINCC) materials will be accepted.



School Recycling Can & Bottle Donation Program

Thank you to all the families who have donated cans and bottles, Trillium Creek received checks for \$112.25!

Thank you Palisades Market for this generous donation!

Would you like to contribute? This is how the program works:

- Parents, students, faculty, teachers, neighbors, and friends bring empty Oregon Beverage Recycling cans and bottles
- Please do not bring items that do not have a deposit value.
- Locate your local school's bin they are all inside, individually labeled, near the restrooms.
- Place your empty cans and bottles in your school's appropriate bin.
- Shop at Palisades Marketplace.
- Store employees then sort, count, and document amounts per school.
- Store Director notifies schools quarterly of total amount donated and issues checks!



Each year from November until Winter Break, we celebrate the season of gratitude with the Honor Our Teachers campaign.

The Honor Our Teachers campaign provides a special way for you to share your appreciation for our dedicated educators. By making a donation to the West Linn-Wilsonville Education Foundation, you can thank our teachers and staff. They will receive a special certificate of recognition to hang in their classroom or office. They will also receive a notification that your gift was made in their honor. It's an exciting way to celebrate our teachers and staff.

With a donation of \$250 or more, the Foundation will also include a \$10 gift card to each teacher or staff member you honor (up to 4). The gift cards are funded by a generous grant, so your total tax-deductible donation can be used by the Foundation to help fund additional teaching positions to our schools.

We thank you for all that you do to show your support for our schools, teachers, and staff. By supporting the Foundation, you also help foster the excellence of the district. Thank you!

Sno-Blasters Ski/Snowboard Bus for 1st-5th Graders!

Sign up now! Deadline for January discount packages is Mid-December. This is a chaperoned, comfortable bus to Mt. Hood Meadows with lessons for *all levels*. This 4 week program runs every Sunday in January and/or February (sign up for each month separately).

Contact West Linn moms and Group Organizers Jen Butts 503 341-9588 or Donna Bezio 503 804-5059 for more information and the Mt. Hood Meadows Consecutive Week Program to sign up. Use GO Code 1163288 (January), 1163287 (February) when enrolling. Official online registration will be opening soon - join our Facebook Group to get updates!

FUNNY FRIDAY JOKES

Here are a few of our favorites:

- Why did the bicycle fall over? Because it was two tired!
- What did Baby corn say to Mama corn? Where is Popcorn!
- What do you call an owl dressed in armor? A Knight owl!



Ryland's Gift Leadership Group needs your help!



Who: Ryland's Gift Leadership Group is sponsoring a fundraiser for the **Children's Healing Art Project**

When: November 27-December 15th

What: Money donation and Art Supplies through Amazon Smile https://chappdx.org/give/

Where: Office for money donations and Online for specific Art Supply needs

Helpful information:

If making specific supply donations through Amazon then please use our code **"Ryland's Gift"** in the message box when finalizing the purchase.

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At West Linn Public Library in December!

LEGO Engineering (grades K-5)

Wednesday, December 6th from 1:30-3:00pm (Early Release day) Learn to build using basic physics, structural engineering, and simple machines with LEGO Master Builder, Blair Archer.

LEGO Club (ages 4-12) on Saturday, December 8th from 12:00-1:30pm Learn new building techniques on Saturdays with LEGO Master Builder, Blair Archer.

Tales to Tails! Reservations are necessary!

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:30-5:00pm

Kids, want to practice reading? Come and read to one of our therapy dogs! Please stop by the Kid's Desk or call 503.742.8623 to make your reservation in advance.

Novelist Jr. for finding Read-Alikes

Looking for new stuff to read over winter break? Be sure to check out NoveList K-8, using the LINCC public library website. Click on the Online Resources link on the upper left side of the home page. Scroll down about halfway and you will see NoveList K-8. It's a great source for "Read-Alikes!"

Just think of a book you like a lot. Type in the title or author. You will find a great list of other books that are similar!

You can access Novelist Junior at home, at school, or at the public library. Be sure to have your LINCC library card and your PIN number handy, and ask library staff for help if you need it. (We also love to recommend books!)

Book Drops in Primary Schools

Your West Linn and Wilsonville Public Libraries now offer Book Drops in all nine WLWV Primary Schools! Families can return items with their school library books and we'll pick them up and check them in.

At Wilsonville Public Library in December!

Programs on the Move in 2018!

The Wilsonville Library renovation begins in January. We won't have children's programs at the library during construction, so we're taking them on the road!

Contact the library to find out where in Wilsonville we'll be holding Storytimes, After School Events, and other activities through May.

Questions or comments: contact Kimberley Rhoades at krhoades@westlinnoregon.gov or 503.742.6191 or Steven Engelfried at engelfried@wilsonvillelibrary.org or 503.570.1690

Books We Recommend: **Biographies!**



Margaret and the Moon by Dean Robbins An endearing read about how Margaret Hamilton's love of mathematics took her to an MIT laboratory working for NASA as one of the first women in that field.



Ruth Bader Ginsburg: The Case of R. B. G. vs. Inequality by Julia Finley Mosca This brilliant book tells of the injustices through which young

Ruth Bader persevered in order to become the first Jewish woman Supreme Court Justice.



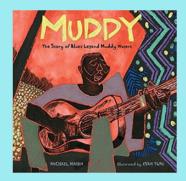


Amazing Women by DK Books This early reader about

40 inspiring women and their incredible achievements is sure to feed the dreams of curious children.

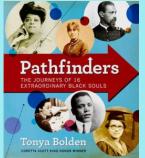


Star Stuff: Carl Sagan and the Mysteries of the Cosmos by Stephanie Roth Sisson The story of astronomer Carl Sagan and how his youthful star gazing led him to become an internationally acclaimed scientist.



Muddy: The Story of Blues Legend Muddy Waters by Michael Mahin

A remarkable read and outstandingly illustrated book about musician Muddy Waters whose tenacity and spirit changed the world of music forever.



Pathfinders by Tonya Bolden Fascinating short biographies of accomplished African-Americans that you may never have heard of, including a magician, a cartoonist, a race car driver, and a spy.



Ada Lovelace, Poet of Science by Diane Stanley

A delightfully illustrated book about Ada Lovelace and how she defied the many norms of that time to become the world's first computer programmer.



The World Is Not A Rectangle by Jeanette Winter

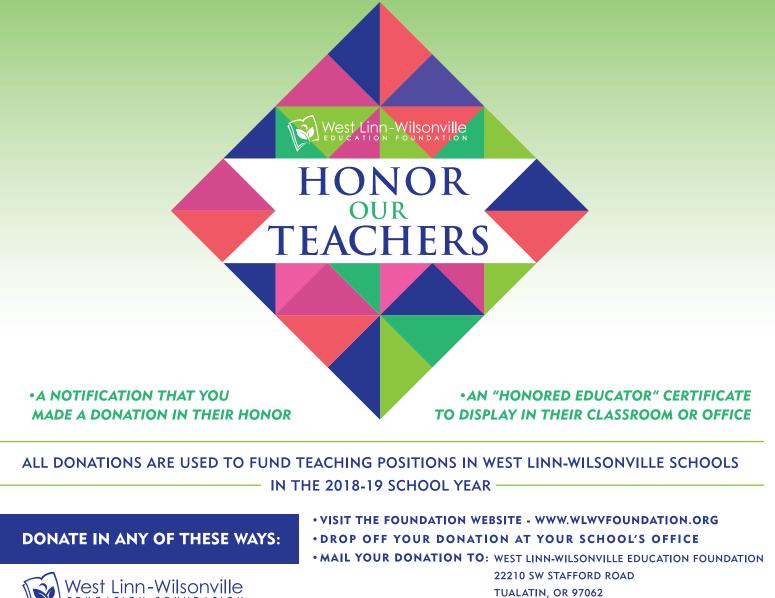
An artistic look at the pioneering architect Zaha Hadid. We discover her creative process, and how her hard work and eye for incredible designs eventually triumphed over adversity.



Survivors by David Long

23 amazing true and inspirational stories about men, women, and children who survived volcanoes, grizzly bears, and other extremely dangerous situations.

MAKE AN HONOR OUR TEACHERS DONATION TO THE WLWV EDUCATION FOUNDATION BY DECEMBER 12TH AND THE TEACHER OR STAFF MEMBER YOU HONOR WILL RECEIVE:



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Your donation is tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law. Our tax ID# is 93-1113774. For more information, please see www.WLWVfoundation.org.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2017 – 1:00-5:30 PM – WALK-INS WELCOME (<u>Register by December 4, 2017 to get a t-shirt</u>. T-shirts <u>are not</u> guaranteed for walk-ins the day of the event, but come anyway—limited t-shirts available--first come basis.

WHERE: WEST LINN HIGH SCHOOL

WHO: ALL STUDENTS (boys and girls) ~ GRADES K – 8

COST: \$35 ~ INCLUDES SNACK

WHAT TO BRING: COMFY CLOTHES, GYM SHOES & A BIG SMILE!

QUESTIONS: Eva Greeff ~ 503-349-4684 E-MAIL: <u>emg05@comcast.net</u>

INFO ON FACEBOOK: WEST LINN HS DEBUTANTE FAN PAGE

Flowers and small gifts will be available to purchase for your dancer(s).

SCHEDULE OF THE DAY: 1:00 - 1:30 pm ~ Registration/Check-In 1:30 - 2:30 pm ~ Group Sessions 2:30 - 3:00 pm ~ Snacks (provided) 3:00 - 4:30 pm ~ Group Sessions 5:00 pm ~ This is approximate performance <u>START</u> Time ~ BE EARLY FOR PARKING

Registration is available at the door ~ <u>t-shirts only available while supplies last; NO guarantee of a t-shirt if you register late or day of event, but come anyway--(remember form and check).</u>

The following student has my permission to participate in "Dance with the Debs" on Dec. 9, 2017. I understand my signature releases West Linn High School from any medical liability.

Dancer:							
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Mail to: Eva Greeff, 2308 Ostman Road, West Linn, OR 97068

SORRY, NO REFUNDS (t-shirts and snacks are purchased based on registrations).