

Terrier Times

October 2011



From the Principal's Desk

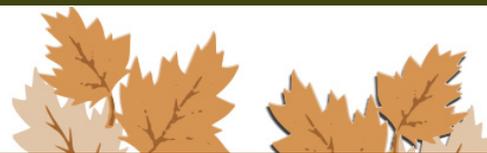
Bill Newell, Principal

Fall activities are in full swing at WSD. We had an excellent start to the school year by initiating our Safe and Civil Schools program. During the first week of school, students school wide were engaged in discussing and establishing how to be safe and civil in all school contexts: classrooms, hallways, cafeteria, cottages etc. If you visit our school you will notice posters throughout with the behavior expectations. Staff engaged in two trainings that were coordinated by our Safe and Civil School committee. Planning is in the works for a Bullying Awareness Week in October. Your child will be bringing home information about this. WSD joins schools nationwide in a focus on education of students about the serious harm that can be caused by bullying and we have no tolerance for bullying at WSD. If your child is a victim of bullying, we want to know about it. If your child bullies others, we will let you know about it.

September 19-23 we celebrated **Deaf Awareness Week**. Deaf and hard of hearing students from local Vancouver schools joined with our students on campus for two assemblies on Monday and Friday of that week. Dr. Tom Holcomb, a prominent Deaf author, presented to our students on September 23 regarding his book, *Deaf Culture Our Way*. Students were inspired by Tom's presence and his accomplishments as a Deaf leader and role model.

October 27 we welcome you to visit our school and join us for our annual Open House, Homecoming and Football game. This is always a fun day. You can meet your child's teachers during the Open House and see classes in action. Please join us on October 27.

Thank you for entrusting the education of your child to us at WSD. We take this responsibility very seriously. If you have any questions about your child's education or care at WSD, please do not hesitate to contact us. Students are most successful in school when parents and teachers work together.



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In a partnership with
Clark College, WSD will be showing
ASL Film's newest movie!

New movie from ASL Films!



Free Admission!!
Thursday, October 6th
2 Showtimes: 11:00am & 6:00pm
Clark College Campus
*Limited Seating-
first come, first serve

Fall Testing

Shauna Bilyeu, Curriculum & Assessment Coordinator



Just a friendly reminder! Students in grades 2 - 12 will be participating in our school-wide assessment Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) during the month of October. This is a computer-based adaptable multiple choice assessment and it is aligned with Washington State's Essential Academic Learning Requirements (EALRs) and gives valuable information to teachers regarding students' instructional levels and learning targets. We assess in the areas of reading, math, language usage and science (secondary students only). Each assessment can take anywhere from 20 minutes up to an hour.



Please help our students and teachers by sending students to school well-fed and with a good night's sleep. Your child's teacher(s) will have a schedule with specific times/dates for MAP testing. Contact him/her for specific dates. Contact me for questions related to the assessment at shauna.bilyeu@wsd.wa.gov. Assessment results will be discussed with parents at IEP meetings.

WSD Students Reflect on 9/11

Piper Gallucci, MS Teacher

"What does 9/11 mean to you?" Students in grades 5-12 were asked this question during Monday's assembly. Staff and students gathered in the gym and formed into four groups. Each group represented a location: the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and the crash site in Pennsylvania. For one-minute everyone stood in silence and reflected on the tragic events of 9/11/2001. Afterward some students offered their thoughts about what 9/11 means to them.



National Hispanic Heritage Month is the period from September 15 to October 15 in the United States, when people recognize the contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States and celebrate Hispanic cultural heritage and Hispanic culture.

2nd Annual ASL Silent Weekend

Camp LaCamas Retreat & Conference Center in Camas, WA

October 21-23, 2011 Friday night 6 pm to Sunday noon (no dinner provided on Friday)

Want to improve your ASL skills??? A whole weekend with your voices off, and your hands on!!! Come and join us and have fun!

ASL beginners, intermediate and advanced signers are welcome!!!!
(18 years old and up)

Registration fee includes 5 meals, lodging, activities, workshops, entertainment and a free T-shirt! Bring your own sleeping bag or blankets, sheets and pillows.

\$ 125.00 per person and space is limited!!

Can only accommodate for 80 people so sign up early to ensure your spot!!!!

Stop by and pick up a registration form at SWCDHH office or check online, www.swcdhh.org.

For more information, contact SWCDHH at 360-695-3364 (v)

October Calendar

October 1-31 - MAP Testing
 October 13 - School Pictures
 October 27 - Open House!/*Homecoming!
 October 28 - 1st Quarter Ends
Travel Days 2,7,9,14,16,21,23,28

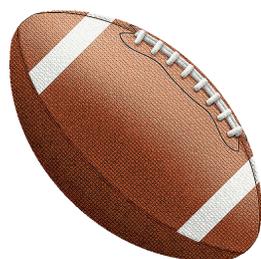


School picture payments are due
 on picture day-**October 13!**



Volleyball Schedule

10/4 - vs. Three Rivers Christian HOME
 10/6 - vs. Vancouver Christian HOME
 10/11 - @ PJ II AWAY
 10/13 - vs. King's Way Christian HOME
 10/18 - @ Seton Catholic AWAY
 10/20 - @ OSD AWAY
 10/25 - vs. Columbia Adventist HOME
 10/24 - @ Three Rivers Christian AWAY
 Playoffs TBA



Football Schedule

10/6 - vs. Lake Quinault - 4:00pm HOME
 10/13 - @ MMK -3:30pm AWAY
 10/20 - vs. Lyle - 3:30pm HOME
 10/27 - vs. King's Way - 3:30pm - *Homecoming*

WSD Welcomes Julie Mason and Junior Kargbo from Washington Reading Corps (WRC)!



My name is Julie Mason and this will be my second year working as a WRC (Washington Reading Corps) member at WSD. A few of my hobbies include reading, art, sewing, photography, and hiking. I graduated from the Rochester Institute of Technology in 2009, and have worked as a theatre stage manager at Gallaudet University's Theatre Arts Department. We are very excited to be working with students from Pre-K to 6th grade! The purpose of WRC is to tutor students and help improve reading and English skills. We will be helping plan WAC (Wednesday Activity Centers) for students, and FAN (Family Academy Night) for parents. Hope to see you at FAN!



Do you know what city in Oregon I was born and raised? Let me throw you a few hints. The city is the home of the Trail Blazers, the NBA team and the Timbers, the MLS team. It has many nicknames such as "Stumptown," "P-town," "City of Roses," "PDX," "Rip City," and many more. Can you guess what it is? The answer is Portland. My hobbies are basketball, football, working out, reading a book, speed and agility training, relaxing when I 'm not busy, and most important of all, spending time with my beautiful daughter. I enjoy helping people of all ages because it makes me feel good when I see a smile on their faces and/or they feel great when they accomplish their goals. I hold certificates as a personal trainer, youth fitness trainer, and master trainer, so I can help you all feel AMAZING! My name is Junior and this is my first year as a WRC (Washington Reading Corps) tutor at WSD and I am eager to work with the wonderful students and staff. I look forward to learning and discovering something new from each of them this year.

Nurse's Corner

Joyce Sjoberg, RN & Jon Tannler, LPN, Linda Meier, RN (on-call)

LET'S KEEP ON MOVING!



Some of you remember that last year we started the “Fuel Up to Play 60.” Fuel Up is an in-school program that encourages the availability and consumption of nutrient-rich foods, along with at least 60 minutes of daily physical activity. The program was founded by National Dairy Council© (NDC) and the National Football League (NFL) and is based on a mutual commitment to the health of the next generation. The ultimate goal is to ensure changes made at school are sustainable so children have more opportunities to be physically active and to eat nutrient-rich foods like low-fat and fat-free milk, fruit, whole grains and vegetables throughout the school campus. We, at the Student Health Center, kept track of students and staff participation with glowing reports!



“Jonah Winninghoff won the top prize, which included tickets to see the Seattle Seahawks Game in Seattle, September 25th!”

Our first kick off event was to have all of the students compete with each other jumping ropes and shooting baskets. **Jonah Winninghoff** won the top prize, which included tickets to see the **Seattle Seahawks Game in Seattle, September 25th!** For our school, we won a grant that will aid in purchasing bikes and a yogurt machine! We are not done yet!

We at WSD will continue with pride to provide role models to the students so they can continue to exercise, and eating right, which will result in GREAT HEALTH! Please take a look at the website below for more information. <http://www.fueluptoplay60.com/?gclid=ClI0kefR-6-YCFQEMbAodAChYFQ>

 A billboard advertisement for Washington School for the Deaf. The background is a clear blue sky with some clouds. The billboard itself is white with green and blue text. On the left, there is a graphic of a signpost with a red sign that says 'OPEN HOUSE'. On the right, there is a graphic of a football with a flame coming out of it.

Washington School for the Deaf
 OPEN HOUSE & HOMECOMING
 OCTOBER 27!
 8am-7pm
 GO TERRIERS!