

# EASTSIDE NEWSLETTER

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Eastside Alternative School

February 26, 2009

March 2 - 5 (M - Th) . . . . .	Classified Employees Week
March 2 (M) . . . . .	Read Across America
March 4 (W) . . . . .	School Board Meeting @7:00 p.m. 200 N. Monroe Street
March 6 (F) . . . . .	NO SCHOOL ~ Planning Day
March 8 (Sunday) . . . . .	Daylight Savings Time (set clocks ahead 1 hour)
March 11 (W) . . . . .	Choir & Marimba Concert @6:30 p.m. in the gym
March 12 (Th) . . . . .	Site Council Meeting @3:00 p.m. in Room 11
March 13 (F) . . . . .	Project Sign-Up (project to begin March 31st)
March 19 (Th) . . . . .	Eastside Express @7:00 p.m. (All School Production) (location to be announced)
March 20 (F) . . . . .	School Choice Deadline - All forms need to be turned in by 5:00 p.m. to 200 N. Monroe Street or turn into Theresa by Wednesday, March 18th
March 23 - 27 (M - F) . . . . .	NO SCHOOL ~ Spring Vacation
March 30 (M) . . . . .	NO SCHOOL ~ Staff Development
March 31 (T) . . . . .	Classes Resume

## **CELEBRATE DR. SEUSS' BIRTHDAY IN YOUR PJ'S**

*On March 2nd, we will celebrate Read Across America with a variety of all-school activities. Harris has kindly invited us to wear pajamas that day, along with their school, to get in the mood to snuggle up with a good book. (Of course, it is optional, but it sure saves time getting ready in the morning!)*

## **MEET DANA CHASE**

*To celebrate Classified Employees Week, we thought it would be fun to introduce you to one of the new classified staff here at Harris/Eastside. Dana Chase is our invaluable evening custodian. She would laugh to hear she is considered a 'new' employee; she has worked as the custodian at the Harris site for over 22 years! She is a grandmother of two (though she looks half her age), loves to dance, ride her bicycle, hike, and spoil her grandchildren, of course.*

*Dana is special to the Eastside staff because she went above and beyond helping them get settled into a new school last fall and making them all feel so welcome. If you ever need anything, Dana is right there to help you. She put in extra hours most of the summer doing the job of two when the day custodian left for another position. We adore her!*

*If you ever see Dana, say hello and let her know how much she means to our school. We have never had someone take such good care of our rooms for our kids. It is more than just a job to Dana. She even motivates us with the 'Golden Can' award each week for the cleanest classroom. Don't laugh- even Susan won it once! Dana is more than just an employee; she is our friend, and for just a smile, she can be yours too!*

### **PARENTS OF 5TH GRADERS**

*Your student is guaranteed admittance to his or her neighborhood middle school. To be admitted to a middle school outside your neighborhood, you are required to fill out a School Choice Request form. These forms are available at any school, in the Instruction Department at the Education Center, or online at <http://www.4j.lane.edu>. This form is due no later than 5:00 p.m., **Friday, March 20th**, to the Instruction Department at 200 North Monroe Street.*

### **BOOK EXCHANGE**

*The book exchange will be **Monday, March 2nd in the gym**. However, we need a couple of volunteers to help set-up tomorrow afternoon after school as well as to help load books in boxes after school on **Monday, March 2nd**. If you are interested please call Theresa at 687-3286 and let her know.*