

# EASTSIDE NEWSLETTER

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Eastside Alternative School

May 7, 2009

- May 8 (F) Early Release ~ School will be dismissed at 11:45 a.m. Lunch will be served  
May 8 (F) Project Sign-Up (project to begin May 18th)  
May 14 (Th) Eastside Site Council @3:00 p.m. in Room 11  
May 15 (F) 5th Grade Shakespeare Performance @6:00 p.m. in the gym  
May 16 (Sat) 4th & 5th Grade Marimba Players at Saturday Market 11:00 a.m. - noon  
May 20 (W) Community Dances in the Gym  
    Families w/last names A - L 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.  
    Families w/last names M - Z 7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.  
May 25 (M) NO SCHOOL ~ Memorial Day  
May 27 (W) Choir Concert @6:30 p.m. in the gym  
May 29 (F) Excellent Evening/Carnival  
June 5 (F) 4th & 5th Grade Marimba Players at First Friday Art Walk  
    Willamette and Broadway 5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.  
June 12 (F) NO SCHOOL ~ Grading Day  
June 17 (W) Last Day of School

## **HAPPY VOLUNTEER WEEK!**

*Eastside teachers would like to thank all of the parents who helped us do the impossible this year. Because of your support, we were able to continue all the proud traditions of evening performances, field trips, and favorite project classes with five completely new staff members. You stepped up to the plate and supported us in every way possible. Our heartfelt appreciation for making a commitment to our school and being there every step of the way to assist us in accomplishing our highest goals. Truly, we couldn't have done it without you.*

## **SPRING CARNIVAL BASKETS**

*Please help us create wonderful, imaginative baskets for our raffle fundraiser! All classrooms (Harris) and Advisee classes (Eastside) have chosen a basket theme and are now collecting items for them. Please contribute as you are able. We are asking families to contribute to their child's basket by donating either a new item or a few dollars to go toward items. **Please send in donations by Friday, May 22nd.** If you are unsure of your child's theme, please ask her/his teacher. Once all items have been collected we will have 15 amazing baskets: Arts & Crafts, Gardening, Pasta, Day at the Beach, Movie Night, Outdoor Fun, Pet Care, Family Fun, Book Lovers, Lets Go Ducks!, BBQ, Chocolate Lovers, Family Game Night, Lazy Sunday, and in the Kitchen. We will be raffling off the baskets at the Spring Carnival in order to raise much needed funds for our school. **Together we can make this fundraiser a huge success!** If you have any questions, please contact either Lois Pribble at [lois@uoregon.edu](mailto:lois@uoregon.edu) or 346-7654 or Carol Yahner at [cayahner@msn.com](mailto:cayahner@msn.com) or 349-9072.*

## **CLOSING CEREMONY FOR EASTSIDE**

*While we know that the spirit of Eastside will live on at Camas Ridge Community school next year, we want to come together to hold a closing ceremony for Eastside Alternative School. Students, teachers, staff, families and all alumni and teachers from other eras of Eastside are invited. We'll have a walk down memory lane with a brief history of our school, singing and desserts. Please mark your calendars for **Thursday June 11th, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** and help us by spreading the word!*

*If you'd like to be involved in planning the closing ceremony evening, contact Abby Gershenzon, 485.1418 at [abbyger@gmail.com](mailto:abbyger@gmail.com).*

## **STAND FOR CHILDREN**

*Legislators are about to make school funding decisions for next year. Sign a postcard to your legislators today for kids and schools:*

*[www.stand.org/or/postcard](http://www.stand.org/or/postcard)*

*Forward it to everyone you know so we impact next year's budget.*

*Come to a discussion on education funding with your legislators. They need to hear from you!*

*Saturday May 16th , 12:30-1:30 p.m.*

*Eugene Public Library, Tykeson Room*

*Questions: Call 4J parent Joy Marshall at Stand for Children @ 912-2921*

## **SOUTH EUGENE FOOTBALL**

*Greetings! This is a reminder about the South Eugene Region football meeting Monday, May 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the South Eugene cafeteria. This will be your chance to meet the youth coaches, the high school coaches and players, learn about the high school program, and receive important information about summer schedules and camps. Please help spread the word. We're excited to meet you and have you see our program. Any questions contact Travis Johnson at [johnson\\_tw@4j.lane.edu](mailto:johnson_tw@4j.lane.edu)*

## **Final Project**

**May 18 - June 15, 2009**

### **Take Me To The Zoo! Part One- Animals: Susan, Grades 1-2**

*Come learn all about animals and their habitats! We'll study animals from every continent, the strangest, biggest, tiniest, and the yet to be discovered! We'll talk about different zoos in the world and how they create habitats to compliment their inhabitants' natural instincts. Finally, we'll culminate the project with an all-day field trip to the Portland Zoo in June. This class will switch with Eric's class midway through the project.*

### **Take Me To The Zoo! Part Two - Art: Eric, Grades 1-2**

*Artists have long been fascinated with animals and used them as inspiration in their work. (Remember cave paintings?) Come explore animals in art and create your own inspirations. Finally, we'll sketch actual animals on our trip to the Portland Zoo. This class will switch with Susan's class midway through the project.*

**Needles, Thread, Cloth & How They Go Together: Kathy, Grades 3-5**

*Learn how to sew a button on (a gift to someone at home with a missing button . . .), look at how cloth is put together, repair a favorite item that's torn, practice embroidery stitches, learn how to make yo'yo's, and choose a project to complete. Some possibilities are a "secret stuff" bag, pot holder, or a small sachet pillow.*

**Oceanography: Chris, Grades 3-5**

*Come aboard the Mimi and learn about the humpback whales. Create an ocean animal report and take an exciting field trip to the pool to explore inner space with a practice SCUBA dive on Thursday, June 4th. Finally, visit the Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport to dissect squid and see the animal adaptations on Friday, June 5th. This class will cost \$20.00. Full and partial scholarships are available. Parent drivers will be needed for both trips.*

**Backpacking: Brynne, Grades 4-5**

*Our class will study forest ecology including soil, trees, plants, animals, birds, stream life, and watersheds. We will learn about both dangerous and edible plants. We will learn how to set up a camp, plan meals, pack our backpacks, put up a tent, leave no trace, and tell a campfire story. Our overnight backpacking trip will be June 4th and 5th at Larrison Cove. We need volunteer parent drivers/chaperones. The school has camping equipment available to loan out. **If you took this class last year, you may not take it again.***

**Volcanoes, Larry, Grades 4-5**

*Come learn about how mountains are formed, what makes a volcano pop its cork, and ocean plates. The unit will culminate with a trip to Cascade Science Center in Bend for a 2 night OMSI adventure walking to a cinder cone, exploring a lava tube, and enjoying a survival course, June 3rd thru June 5th. Parent drivers/chaperones are needed. Cost is \$125.00 per person. Full and partial scholarships are available.*

**Please do not sign up for this class if you are not able to go on the overnight trip. If you took this class last year you may not take it again.**

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**Please return this signed slip to your advisor's room Monday morning before going to math class.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_ Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

1st choice \_\_\_\_\_

2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

3rd choice \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent Signature

**Projects will be posted on Wednesday, May 13th. Any requests for project change need to be turned in by 3:00 p.m. Thursday, May 14th.**