

Monday, October 08, 2012

More information about Muddy Creek events can be found here: http://muddycreekcharterschool.org/?page_id=1455

A word from Dan Hays

We are working to make our newsletters and web site be as informative as possible. If you have ideas, please let us know. The teachers will be emailing the parents of their students directly with detailed information regarding classroom work. Additionally, they will have a sentence or two in our newsletter about their classroom work. I will write occasionally with information intended to help parents support the education of their child(ren). An example would be encouraging parents to set aside a place and time each day to have their child read. Such habits do amazing things to help children learn to read, write, speak, and listen.

Communication is always a challenge. Please know that we see it as very important, and are always working at it.

Alerts:

All School Meeting: Every Wednesday at 8:30am, parents welcome

Art Studio wish list:

News print is needed for our "Story Tree." There will be a box in front of the office for anyone that has extra or old news print.

We have school Thursday, October, 11th, 2012. There is **No School** Friday, October, 12th.

October Agenda

Gorman's Class Field Trip "Rain Dance Ranch" October 10th

No School October 12, Non-Contract Day

Kindergarten Pumpkin Patch October 16th, 9:00-10:30

French Lunch Table Wednesdays and Thursdays

Scratch Club Friday, October 26th, from 3-4pm in the library

Day's Class Field Trip October 30th, LaSells Center for a Symphony 12:30-2:30

No School October 31-November 2, Grading and conferences

Later Events

Dine Out For MCCS "Cloud and Kelly's Public House" November 5th 4-9pm

[Cloud will donate 10% of sales to Muddy Creek](#)

PTO Meeting November 6th at 8:30am

Shop to Benefit Muddy Creek "Toy Factory" November 10th

[10% of sales that night from 6 to 8pm will be given to Muddy Creek. Coffee and cookies are provided.](#)

Art Studio

Painting, drawing, sculpting, printmaking, spinning, weaving, storytelling, circus arts, music, dancing and more....ART begins this week at Muddy Creek! We have some amazing projects in the works which 'infuse' the arts into classroom learning. One of the first big collaborations to kick off our year will be a Kindergarten sculpture project entitled "The Story Tree". During the next 3 weeks, both classes will work collaboratively to create a giant tree sculpture for our library. The tree can become a reading spot, storytelling area, and can change with the seasons or course of study! Interested in knowing more about the arts at Muddy Creek? Our art blog should be up and running within a week!

Bus

Morning Pick-up times from First Student Bus Company:

Philomath 7:49am, Adams 7:58am, Lincoln 8:08am

Afternoon Drop-off Route (Bus 160)

3:03 pm – Bus departs from Muddy Creek Charter School

3:19 pm – Lincoln Elementary School

3:28 pm – Adams/Westland

3:42 pm – Philomath Community Library

Coordinator, Melissa Harris, honeybharris@gmail.com, 541.929.6713

Farm Table on Fridays

The MCCS Farm Stand will now be open on Fridays from 3-3:30pm, instead of Mondays. If you have produce or other items you would like to donate, please bring the items to Betty by 2:45pm on Fridays. The proceeds will go to MCCS PTO. A volunteer will be present to handle the sale of donated items.

Hot Lunch Program (Optional) *See Link

The hot lunch program is still going well. We do have some NEW INFORMATION ON LUNCH PURCHASES: lunches will be sold every day in the library between 8 and 8:15am instead of just on Mondays. You can purchase as many lunches as you would like.

The lunch menu will be posted in the hallway and on the MCCS website.

Movin' Muskrats

After 3 opportunities on the track to rack up the laps we have our first chance to cheer for **Trevin del Nero** (5th) and **Gradin Fairbanks** (1st) for completing 5 miles. Gradin also set the Muskrat record this past Thursday when he ran 13 laps (2.6 miles) in one recess (in less than 30 mins.). It has been great to see so many Muskrats out with friends on the track, especially the new Kinders! Come on out Thursdays at lunch recess - whether you walk, jog, or skip 1 or 10 laps - just move it!

Muddy Creek Consignment with PTO

Great News! Muddy Creek Charter School is now contracted as a non-profit consignor with The Arc of Benton County. Please donate your gently used items to help the fundraising effort for our school. Acceptable items include house wares, decor, collectibles, craft and office supplies, clothing, electronics and more. All items must be in clean and working-as-intended condition. We are requesting donations now and continually throughout the year. We would especially like to get some donations before the Corvallis Arc has its October 11th sidewalk sale. Please contact Leann Eagles-Smith at lceagles_smith@yahoo.com for further details and donation drop off or pick up plans. Thank you!

Multicultural Club

Multicultural Club has been cancelled due to lack of interest. Instead, I will be working with the art teacher and Ms. Melissa's class to provide speakers and exhibits for students to learn more about multiculturalism. Please contact Kristina Rosenbaum (kristina.rosenbaum@gmail.com) with any questions, comments, or concerns. Thank you!

Picture Day

Picture's will be back within 2-3 weeks. There will be a re-take day, but not at this time.