



Muddy Creek Charter School is a rural public school dedicated to the integration of an outstanding academic program with its community – the land and its people. We offer a joyful and creative educational experience where engaged students practice the skills they will need to be effective citizens and stewards in the future. Muddy Creek Charter School will serve as a model for preserving schools in rural communities

March 1, 2013

March at a Glance

March 1st

Dr. Seuss' Birthday/ Read Across America Day

Sign-up Deadline for Talent Show

March 4th

Food RSVP due for Talent Show

March 5th

PTO Meeting @ 2pm in Rm. 3

March 6th

Deadline to contribute to Talent Show Baskets

March 8th

Scratch Club in Library, 3-4pm
Annual MCCS Talent Show
6-8 pm

March 14th

Garden Club @ 2pm in Rm. 3
Board Meeting @ 7 pm

March 22nd

Scratch Club in Library, 3-4pm

March 25th-29th

Spring Break: No School

PTO News

THANK YOU! The PTO Valentine's Day Bake Sale supporting the 5th Grade Graduation Trip made over \$550. This is a wonderful accomplishment - thank you to all who supported this effort with their purchases and volunteer time.

The Muddy Creek Talent Show will be Friday, March 8th at 6 pm.

There will be food for sale, a raffle and lots of family fun!

Food RSVP cards were placed in the mail-slots so that we can prepare for the right amount of pizzas, etc. Return the cards to the envelope on the PTO board in the hall by March 4th.

Raffle Baskets:

At the Talent Show this year we will be raffling off baskets from all 5 classes, each class will have a different theme for their basket. The theme for the Room 1 basket is ART, Room 2 is GARDENING, Room 3 is SPA, Room 4 is CAMPING and Room 7 is WINE & CHOCOLATE. Any donations are greatly appreciated. Also if you do not have time to buy something but would like to help, the room parents will be purchasing supplies and you could donate money instead. This is going to be a great fundraiser for Muddy Creek. Let's make our baskets awesome!! Contact the room parents for information on what's needed for each basket. The deadline to contribute is Wednesday 3/6.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help set up, clean up, donating desserts, and more. If you can help, or have questions, please contact Mary Gunn at mrsgunn33@gmail.com.

Rummage Sale

We are now accepting items for the Spring 2013 Rummage Sale (gently used clothing, household items, tools, toys, games, jewelry, books, CDs, DVDs, garden items, furniture, electronics, small appliances, etc.) All items must be in clean, usable condition. Please drop items off in the school office. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help organize and run the sale.** If you are interested in volunteering or have questions regarding donation guidelines, contact Leann Eagles-Smith at leagles_smith@yahoo.com. Last year's event was a huge success; please help us to make this one even better. Thanks for your support!

A Word From Dan:

Muddy Creek is going to host a young Japanese man as an intern for the period of time from February 27th to March 22nd. He visited our school last year and was so pleased with what he experienced, he has pursued this opportunity. He will be learning our culture and language while here. His intention is to become a teacher in Japan. We are glad to help him gain exposure to education, and definitely delighted to have this opportunity for our students to learn more about Japan.

He does have a place to stay on campus, but he and his sponsors are wondering if a Muddy Creek family would be interested in taking him some of the time. If you are interested please let me know. I will see what needs to be done to make it work.

Dan



Muddy Creek in the News!

Mr. Day's class was featured on the front page of the [Corvallis Gazette Times](#) on February 28, 2013 for their habitat restoration work. Way to go!



Moving Muskrats

Those Muskrats aren't letting a little cold stop them from movin' it!

Ella B. (2nd), Hailey D. (4th), Eva W. (4th), and Katie K. (5th) all hit the 5 mile mark. Two first graders, Anna D. and Arden L. made it to 10 miles and kinder Ben B. reached 15 miles. Way to go Trevin D. (5th) for 25 miles and Gradin F. (1st) for 35 miles!

We love to see parents, like Zach with Trevin, out with their kids on the track. Come encourage your kids on the track on Thursdays at lunch recess. Kinders are welcome to stay for lunch and recess on Thursdays, but must be picked up by 12:20pm, if not staying for Afternoon Adventures.



Hot Lunch Heroes Needed!

Our Hot Lunch Program has been going strong since the beginning of the school year. We've had our share of surprises, but most of them have been good and have resulted in a program that is popular, nutritious, and sustainable.

This program would not be possible without volunteers. We have worked hard to reduce the number of volunteer hours necessary to produce hot lunches for about seventy people, twice a week, but we still need help and backup help in order to continue providing this service. Recently, many of our volunteers have experienced schedule changes that don't allow them to continue to make their awesome contributions. Can you step up and help?

We need volunteers on Tuesdays and Fridays, from 10am to 1pm. You don't need to make a big commitment – just one shift a month is huge! Younger children are welcome, and usually play in the gym while we set up, serve, and clean up. We also welcome members of our community, like grandparents and young adults looking for job experience. If you can only come for part of that time, we would still love to have you! Even an hour a month makes a huge difference. You don't need any special training – just show up with a smile and willing hands!

Contact Kristina Rosenbaum (kristina.rosenbaum@gmail.com) for more information. Thanks!!

Helping Hands Wanted!

We can use some help with basic maintenance at Muddy Creek. If you, or someone you know, can climb a ladder and are handy with tools, please contact Jennine at office@muddycreekcharterschool.org. Thank you!