



Panther Post

Volume 1, Issue 8

March 9, 2018



Mychael Irwin, Principal
Marjorie McCluer, Assoc. Principal

Diane Wisniewski, Secretary
Lori Schutts, Enrollment Clerk

Principal's Corner...


reading and mathematics scores on i-Ready.

The third trimester brings a number of activities and events for students and families to plan for:

- **April 19-20 Parent and Student conferences:** These conferences are for students who are currently below grade level and for families who did not meet with the teacher during October conferences. Please contact your child's teacher if you wish to conference.
- **April 31-June 8 State Testing Grades 3-5:** During these weeks, students will be engaged in state testing for Smarter Balanced Assessments. Students do not test every day during this time; it is just the window where testing could take place. Please avoid making appointments for your child during these weeks and make every effort to be at school every day on time.
- **March-June Moby Max Challenge:** All students are challenged to complete as many minutes and tasks as possible each month. Students with the highest number of minutes and tasks are awarded a Target gift card for "Hitting Their Target"! Please have your child practice using Moby Max at home each day, especially the Fact Fluency and Vocabulary.

As always, we thank you for your partnership in our kids' learning and attendance! Stay tuned for more activities as we finish Tri 3.

Mychael Irwin, Principal

- 12 1-Hour Early Release
- 13 Basketball Practice
- 14 Basketball and Choir Practice
PTA Meeting 3:00-4:00
4th Grade Success Night 5:30-7:00
- 16 Report Cards go home!
- 20 2nd Grade Success Night 5:30-7:00
- 21 **Spring Pictures**
Choir Practice 
Girls Basketball
Skilleree at Lake Shore 3:45-6:00 pm
- 22 **Boys Basketball**
Skilleree at Lake Shore 3:45-6:00 pm
Panther Pawsitive Student Store
- 23 Panther Pawsitive Student Store
- 26 1-Hour Early Release
- 29 ENRICHMENT FAIR



Grades 3-5 Moby Max Winners at March Assembly

It is very hard to believe but we are in the last one-third of the school year. The first two trimesters were very successful and we saw great growth in both

SPRING BREAK!

April 2-6

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION, 2018-2019

VANCOUVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS PLANNING THE ANNUAL KINDERGARTEN SPRING REGISTRATION.

REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 10, 2018



To register for kindergarten, bring proof of birth date and records of immunization to your neighborhood school.

We recommend parents register their children by May 1st to ensure that you and your child receive an invitation to attend the Kindergarten visitation program this spring.

Note: Any child who will be five (5) years old on or before August 31 is eligible to enter kindergarten this fall.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT BOUNDARY EXCEPTIONS

OUT-OF-DISTRICT BOUNDARY EXCEPTION RENEWAL BEGINS MAY 1st

Students living outside Vancouver Public Schools requesting to attend a school in Vancouver Public Schools need to go to their resident district to get a "Choice Transfer Release Form" signed and stamped before turning it into the Student Welfare and Attendance Office at VPS District Office.



New This Year

In-district students in magnet, dual language/immersion, and Hi-Cap programs will not be required to submit a boundary exception form. They will automatically receive a boundary exception or renewal if they have been accepted or are continuing in these programs.

<http://vansd.org/student-welfare-attendance/boundaries>

• Would you like to help grow groceries for the **Hazel Dell School Backpack Program?**

• This program begins in the spring at the school garden and ends in the fall. We will be growing and harvesting veggies for families at the school.

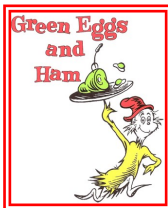
• We will provide garden beds, irrigation, seeds, and plants. Our volunteers (that's you!) will plant and harvest and donate the food to the school program.

• Please call Bobbi Bellomy at 360 901-7700 or email Barbara Nordstrom at growsmiles@hotmail.com



Daylight Savings Time begins March 11th.

Green Eggs & Ham



Last Thursday, Beaches Restaurant generously provided a breakfast of Green Eggs & Ham to our 1st graders and their families!

A huge thank you goes to Mark Mathias, owner of Beaches Restaurant, and his wonderful crew! Not only did they provide a delicious Dr. Seuss breakfast, but they



gave each 1st grade student a special hat to wear.



Every 1st grader also got to choose a book, donated by River-view Bank.

Don't forget! Monday, March 12th and March 26th are 1-Hour Early Release!



Spring Pictures

Wednesday, March 21st



Get your smile on!

Picture envelopes are going home on Friday, March 9th. If you would like to order spring pictures, please return the envelope to the school on picture day!

Hot Cocoa for Self-Managers!

200+ Hazel Dell students who earned their Self-Manager Badges received a special treat on Wednesday morning! They met in the cafeteria for hot cocoa, specially prepared by our PTA. We would like to especially thank our PTA members, **Patricia Psomas** and **Karla Knudson** for coming in early to make the hot cocoa.



A self-manager does his/her best on school/homework, takes care of materials, exhibits good behavior, and is



Dream Team Dental will be here on **April 17th** and **18th** to provide dental care to Hazel Dell students! Watch for a permission slip to come home with your student. Fill it out and return the permission slip to the school right away. Dream

Team Dental provides dental sealants, cleanings, fluoride, and education. Each student that sees the dental team member will receive a toothbrush, floss, and toothpaste.



"Vancouver School District is an Equal Opportunity District in education programs, activities, services, and employment. The district does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, including gender expression or identity, age, families with children, honorably discharged veteran or military status, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal. The district provides equal access to the Boy Scouts of America and other designated youth groups. The district complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 402 of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, Older Worker Protection Act, and all other state, federal, and local equal opportunity laws. You may also contact any of the following people by writing to them at Vancouver School District, PO Box 8937, Vancouver, Washington 98668-8937 or by calling [360-313-1000](tel:360-313-1000): ADA-Kathy Everidge; Title VII, 504-Kym Tyelyn-Carlson; IDEA-Daniel Bettis; Affirmative Action-Kathy Everidge; Title IX Elementary-Debra Hale, Doug Hood; Title IX Secondary-Chris Olsen, Doug Hood; Athletic Equity-Albert Alcantar. This notification can be provided in the appropriate language for communities of national origin and minority persons with limited English language skills by contacting [360-313-1250](tel:360-313-1250)."

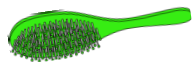
Who wants lice? Nobody!

Head lice are a terrible nuisance – any parent who’s dealt with them will tell you this. And it takes a lot of work to get rid of them. Prevention is the best strategy. Here’s a few tips to help our Hazel Dell families stay lice free:



Know that anyone can get lice; in fact more than 6 million American school age kids get lice every year. They get them at school, at camp, at home, at slumber parties. They like clean hair. They don’t jump or fly, but they are fast crawlers. Luckily they don’t spread disease and cannot live for more than a day or two off of humans.

Teach your child not to share hats, combs, brushes, hairbands, helmets or jackets.



Remind your child to put their coats and hats zipped inside their backpack at school – not heaped on top of other students’ jackets.

Keep long hair in braids or ponytails.

Suspect lice if your child is scratching their head more than usual – this is your best warning sign.



Check for lice weekly – catch and treat early – its so much easier!

Looking for lice takes a little skill – you won’t see live bugs most times – but you will see their eggs or “nits” if your child is infested. Get into good light – outside if you can. Look very close to the scalp, especially behind the ears, across the back of the neck and on top of the head. Separate the hair strands. Nits are light or dark brown oval eggs, smaller than a grain of rice. They are glued to the hair shaft- you won’t be able to just brush them away. If you find even a nit or two – there are live lice laying those eggs.

If you find lice or nits – don’t panic. Be patient. Effective treatment does take time. Please call me if you need advice. Lice killing shampoo is available at the grocery or drug store. We have shampoo at school that we’re happy to provide too. Follow the directions, especially combing out all the nits. If even one nit is left, it will hatch and you’ll have to start over. Wash bedding, towels, clothes. Bag stuffed animals for 2 weeks. Vacuum well. Comb and re-check for nits regularly – daily for the first two weeks. You may need to re-treat in about 10 days.

We’re counting on every Hazel Dell family to use good lice hygiene – find and treat lice early. Pediatricians and Washington laws don’t allow schools to keep kids home because they have lice. And we cannot check classrooms. But every family can help keep us lice free, itch free, and at school learning every day.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 313-2063 or Marcia.Schneider@vansd.org
Thank you,

Marcia Schneider RN Hazel Dell School Nurse

