

PTO Meeting 10/5/2021 6:30pm

Introductions

Ocean: Updates

Highlights--Care and Connection of our students, in August staff planned activities to help kids reconnect with their peers and school: Extra outside activity breaks, art projects
Before digging into academics

Kids are doing a great job with their new routines: Masks, hand washing, 3 feet apart

Changes in schedules: Past the kids did their special rotation, PE, Music and Library
Now the kids have 4 sections that have to shuffle into 3 groups--bigger groups
So this year Ms. Leah has added a 4th special for 2nd and 3rd graders, social and emotional special.

K1, 4 and 5--Ms. Leah pulls them in when they have a double library with Ms. Leah

New Curriculum Additions:

Additional 30 minutes with a reading specialist for those kids who need that support as well as a 30 minute block for math intervention as well.

When students do not need support those students are getting an extension: Reading group at their level, math problem solving--next layer that goes with the instruction

Open staffing positions--teaching and instructional assistant positions, if you know of anyone who is interested in the teaching profession and wants to get experience and/or if individuals want to be working in the school/classroom.

Substitutes are also needed.

Volunteers are not allowed while children are on the campus. However there are special events held afterschool you may be able to volunteer, but you must go through a background check. Ask Martha Dell for the link if interested/needed.

Pay for substitute for a day is \$195 and pay for a day for an instructional assistant is \$125

Mr. B--Vice Principal Updates

From Massachusetts and Vermont

Moved to Oregon in 2008

2 kids: Forrest 4 years and Juniper 2 weeks old

Taught in Mosier and Corbett locally, also in MA

English Language Development Instructional Coach--came to HR as this role

BA in Humanities and Master in Curriculum and Instruction

Loves bacon

Martha--Presenting about PTO

The Westside PTO is here to promote the experience, welfare and education of the school and community

Promote open communication between administrators, parents and students

How do we support Westside?

1. Provide bookbags and items for kids who need
2. Supply the Westside Wildcat award prize box
3. Host the Scholastic book fair, gives money to our library and teachers, provides books for those kids who may not otherwise may not have the means to purchase them.
4. Gorge Kids Triathlon

October

1. Bike and walk to school day
2. Pizza/local pizza spot will donate a proceeds of their sales to Westside
3. Teacher grant window opens: \$300 to teachers who apply for supplies for classroom

November

1. Artists in Residence
2. Purchase items for Dia de los muertos

January

1. Skate nights
2. Movie nights

February

1. Art Auction Fundraiser
2. Art education experiences

March

1. Classified staff appreciation week

May

1. Teacher appreciation week
2. Wildcat Prowl Fundraiser

How do we support the community?

1. Skate parties
2. Terracycle program
3. Amazon Smile, Benefit, Box Tops
4. Education sessions for parents, District PTO meetings
5. School assemblies
6. Battle of the Books
7. Art experiences
8. Spirit gear

Jen and Alex Barchet--Budget

Budget breakdown: Last year we spent \$18,000

The budget this year: \$29,000

Proposed income this year: \$20,000

We go into each year with money, savings. We will dip into it this year due to limited fundraising.

Ways you can help--Martha Dell

- Looking for a VP of PTO
- Need spirit gear volunteer to research, order, organize and run with the gear
- Purchase books for book fair and/or donate books purchased for other students
- Join the district SEL curriculum adoption committee as a parent representative
- Join our art auction committee
- Remember to fill out the volunteer application

Ending--Martha

- Please fill out the volunteer form and communicate what your interests are
- Agenda and presentation sent in a link