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Redmond Elementary Pizza & Family Movie Night

Now Showing: "The Goonies" by Steven Spielberg, rated PG
When & Where: Friday, March 5, 6:30pm, Redmond El Gym
Cost: \$5.00 per family



Neighborhood friends find a 17th century pirate map! The adventure begins as they search for the treasure and run across crooks, skeletons, and a once mighty pirate ship! Please join us for another fun night and don't forget your blanket, pillows, and bean bag chairs. No drop offs! See you there!

Pizza \$2:00/slice Water .75
Popcorn .25 Red vines 3 for .25

Used Book Fair: Make it happen!



The Used Book Fair is an annual community event organized by PTSA, with the main goal of helping families update their home libraries in an affordable way, while making a little money in the process. Families donate books, CDs, DVDs, or gently worn Hawk apparel, and have the chance to buy items at extremely low prices. Every student receives two free books of their choice. This event will take place during the spring half-day conference days, on March 15-16. The class that donates the most items wins a pizza party. Item collection begins on March 8. Please bring your items to school in a bag clearly marked with the name of your child's teacher.

Now, like all worthy endeavors, this one needs LOTS of helpers. While the event itself will definitely take place, the contest part of it might get canceled if not enough people are found to count and classify the books. If you find yourself with a free morning the week of March 8-12, or during conferences, this event is one of the best uses you can give of your valuable volunteer time. For info about volunteering, please contact Katherine at bookfair@redmondelptsa.org or see back page for sign up form. Thank You!

Mark Your Calendar - Redmond El PTSA Science Fair

Thursday, March 25th, 2010, 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Please watch for the sign up form coming home with students! We are looking for volunteers to help with set up, clean up, judging, demonstrations, certificates and more. We appreciate any help you can provide. Please see back page for sign up form. If you have questions contact Cindy at sciencefair@redmondelptsa.org.

CALENDAR

Thursday, February 25

- ◆ 3rd & 4th Grade Music Program, 7pm, Commons
- ◆ Bake Sale following music program

Friday, February 26

- ◆ Passport Check

Tuesday, March 2

- ◆ NSH Family Fun Night, 6-8pm, Redmond El Commons

Wednesday, March 3

- ◆ Parent Ed: Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child, SOLD OUT

Friday, March 5

- ◆ Family Movie Night, 6:30pm, Gym

Monday, March 8

- ◆ Parent Ed: Boys in Today's World, 7-8:30pm, RJH Commons

Thursday, March 11

- ◆ Hawk Rock 'N' Walk packet stuffing, 9:30-11am

March 15 - 16

- ◆ Half Day, Elementary Conferences
- ◆ Used Book Fair

Friday, March 19

- ◆ No School, LEAP Day

Thursday, March 25

- ◆ Science Fair, 6:30-8:30pm, Gym

March 29 - April 2

- ◆ No School, Spring Break

Message from the Principal



What is the "Reading With Rover Program"? There is growing research that supports the use of dogs to encourage reading among children (American School Board Journal, Dec. 09). Students read to dogs who are trained to lie quietly, gaze attentively, and sometimes stretch a paw across a child's arm. I have witnessed some students who are anxious readers or those who fear reading aloud in front of others blossom. Others have overcome their fear of dogs, as they have interacted with their Rover dog.

For several years there has been a successful program at my past school, and we hope to develop one at Redmond Elementary. Becky Bishop, the founder of Reading With Rover, will be conducting a "Meet and Greet" of potential RWR dogs at our school on the evening of Tuesday, March 9. There are a number dogs planning to attend along with staff, staff family and friends, and parent handlers. This will follow with a special service dog training session here at our building this spring at reduced rates. Do you have a trained dog that may be a suitable service dog? If so, please contact Leslie Fields, our school counselor.

Where in the world has Red been?

On check day show your Passport checker where Red has been since he is back on the road, and earn a super special extra stamp! Passport Check Day is Friday, February 26. Red is the Passport Club traveling mascot. To see Red's blog, visit www.redmondelptsa.org/passport/ and click on the red link under Red's picture. Also, if you'll be traveling during spring break and would like Red to join you on your trip, please e-mail us at passportclub@redmondelptsa.org.

Hawk Rock N Walk Update



Planning Committee needs your help stuffing packets on Thursday, March 11th from 9:30-11am.

Email hawkrocknwalk@redmondelptsa.org with questions.



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Volunteer Sign-Up Form



YES, I'd like to help with the Used Book Fair. I can:

- Count & classify books at school on: (please circle day)
 Mon 3/8 Tue 3/9 Wed 3/10 Thu 3/11 Fri 3/12 Time: _____
- Help with set up on Friday, March 12, 2-4pm
- Help with the event on Monday, March 15 from (please circle):
 8:30-10:30am 10:30-12:30 12:30-2:30pm 2:30-5pm Other: _____
- Help with the event on Tuesday, March 16 from (please circle):
 8:30-10:30am 10:30-12:30 12:30-2:30pm 2:30-5pm Other: _____
- Help with event closing on Tuesday, March 16, from 5-7pm

My Name: _____

Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Please contact me by:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Notes: _____



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Volunteer Sign-Up Form



YES, I'd like to help with the Science Fair on Thursday, March 25. I can:

- Help with set up
- Help with clean up
- Help with judging - interview between 7 & 8pm (involves asking a quick question or having student tell you about their project)
- Help make participation certificates (design, print/copy for students)
- Event program (design & print program)
- Lunchtime Science Q & A (make arrangements with Mrs. Matheson to use library, set up a few past projects & books on science experiments)
- Demonstration table during the event

My Name: _____

Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Please contact me by:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Notes: _____



Other Useful Links

[Neighborhood Schoolhouse](#)

[Other Redmond EL PTSA & LWSD Resources](#)

[Community Bulletin Board](#)

[LWSD Tandem Calendar](#)

Parent Education Classes

The Lake Washington PTSA Council has partnered with the LWSD to provide district-wide parent education. These classes are open to all parents of children attending school in the LWSD.

Below is a brief description of classes offered in February, March, & April. **For the complete schedule and more information visit www.lwptsacouncil.schools.officelive.com/**, click on Committees, Parent Education for the full class listing. Questions?

Contact Joanne Hall, Chair, Parent Education at jjjahall@juno.com.

Power Struggles with Jan Faull - Why they occur, which power struggles parents will always lose, and strategies to deal with them. As children grow, they feel a strong need to be in control of their lives. Some parents instinctively let up on the controls as their child matures, while some children push for control beyond the limits of their own development, maturity, or their parents' comfort level. The end result: power struggles. Learn how to provide the guidance children need and still allow them to develop competency and self-esteem.

Girls' World: Growing Up Is Hard To Do! and Boy's in Today's World with Laura Doerflinger, MS - Ms. Doerflinger is a licensed mental health counselor, is the Executive Director of the Parent Education Group in Kirkland and the author of the audio book, [Emotionally Balanced Parenting](#). Laura has been working with families for 17 years.

Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child with John Gottman - In this lively presentation, Dr. Gottman equips parents with a five-step "emotion coaching" process to help their children learn crucial skills. Emotionally intelligent children are more self-confident, physically healthier, do better in school & have healthier social relationships. "Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child" helps parents enrich their bond with their child.

Linda Morgan, a Seattle area writer and editor, has written on a wide range of subjects for a variety of newspapers and magazines. She will be releasing her first book this March entitled, ***BEYOND SMART: Boosting Your Child's Academic, Social, and Emotional Potential***. A former college communications and journalism instructor, Morgan's work is particularly focused on education and learning. She is currently associate editor of ParentMap, where she authors "[Getting School Ready](#)," a monthly column that explores issues in education. She also discusses learning-related topics regularly on KING5-TV.

Julie Metzger, RN is the co-founder of Great Conversations. She will present a series of 3 presentations for parents of 4th to 8th grade students. Visit her website at www.greatconversations.com.