

Norman Rockwell PTA

# Beagle Bugle

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## Reflections

### Congratulations Finalists!

After viewing SO MANY great pieces of art, literature and photography from Rockwell students, the following entrants will have their work **sent on to the Lake Washington School District level** of the national Reflections 2009 competition:



#### Primary (Grades Preschool-2)

Visual Arts: **Ana O, Neha G, Sydney T, Isha J**

#### Intermediate (Grades 3-5)

Visual Arts: **Lance M, Sharanya M**

Photography: **Ben B, Sarah O, Mary Kate B**

Literature: **Angela L**

Jessica Hargin  
Reflections Chair 2009

## Re-takes



### Picture Re-take Day

Did you miss the October picture day? You have one more chance for pictures! **Picture re-take day is scheduled for Wednesday, November 18th.** If you would like a re-take on your child's pictures, please return to school your complete picture package on Wednesday, November 18th. Students who are new to the school or who were absent on picture day will receive a new order form. Extra forms are in the office if needed.

## UNICEF Donation

### Helpful Phone Numbers

Safe Arrival  
702-3451

Front Office  
702-3450

Extended Day  
702-3452

Preschool  
861-3056

Food Service Office  
702-3393

Transportation  
882-5120

### Coming Soon

#### November 18

Picture Retakes

Volunteer Badge Pictures  
8:30-10am

Online Math League Contest  
for 2, 5, 6th grades

#### November 19

Redmond Regional Band  
Concert

Math Challenge #4 Due

#### November 20

Teacher Parent Conferences

**Half Day**

**11:30am Dismissal**

AM K attends

Scholastic Book Fair in the  
Library

11:30am - 5:00pm

#### November 23

### New This Year - Volunteer Badges!

Volunteers who have a Lake Washington Volunteer Application on file are eligible to receive a picture badge to use when helping out in the school. If you would like to receive a volunteer badge, please come to the school on re-take day! We will be taking pictures of our volunteers on **Wednesday, November 18th from 8:30-10:00 am.**

### Math In Action News

#### Online Math League Contest

Good luck to all 59 students from grades 2-6 who are participating in the Online Math League this week and next week. Results of the league will be available on [www.onlinemathleague.com](http://www.onlinemathleague.com).

#### Math Challenge #4

Turn in your answers by **November 19th** to be in the drawing for a Hyper Spin Yo-Yo. [CLICK HERE for printable PDF.](#)



#### Math In Action Online

The following students have been hard at work and since last week have received at least one prize for achieving milestones:

Grade K: **Sayan B, Amogh K, Kaumudi N, Benjamin Y, Maximilian W**

Grade 1: **Nishant B, Fynn F, Orion G, Isha J, Emily O, Bas R**

Grades 2-6: **Kaan I, Josiah C, Swen R, Trevor S, Vedant V**

Elly Sarwono

[mathinaction@gmail.com](mailto:mathinaction@gmail.com)

[MathInAction.org](http://MathInAction.org)

### Destination Book Fair

Teacher Parent Conferences  
**Half Day**

**11:30am Dismissal**

PM K attends

Scholastic Book Fair in the  
Library

11:30am - 7:00pm

**November 24**

Teacher Parent Conferences  
**Half Day**

**11:30am Dismissal**

AM K attends

Scholastic Book Fair in the  
Library

11:30am - 5:00pm

Special Needs Meeting 7pm

**November 25**

Thanksgiving Break

**Half Day**

**11:30am Dismissal**

PM K attends

**November 26 & 27**

Thanksgiving Break

**NO SCHOOL**

**November 28**

Kids Marathon 10am

**November 30**

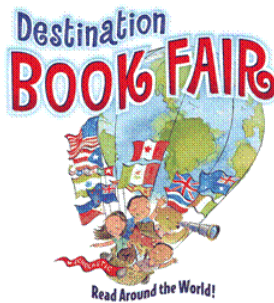
Deadline for Quest  
Application

Spirit Wear Orders Due

**Community Bulletin  
Board**

[Rockwell Bulletin Board](#)

**CAMPS**



## UP, UP AND AWAY TO THE ROCKWELL BOOK FAIR

Everyone is invited to attend Rockwell's annual Scholastic Book Fair in the school library! Come explore a fabulous selection of books, and find the perfect titles for every person in your family. You'll find new releases, award winners,

children's classics, interactive software, adult books, and current bestsellers from more than 100 publishers.

Book Fair customers can help build classroom libraries by purchasing books through the Teacher Wish List program. Be sure to check the Wish List Table at the fair and don't forget to fill out a book plate to personalize your classroom donation.

### **BOOK FAIR HOURS**

November 20th 11:30am - 5:00pm

November 23rd 11:30am - **7:00pm**

November 24th 11:30am - 5:00pm

**In the Rockwell Library**

Your purchases promote learning and reading, and raise funds for new books for our Rockwell Library.

There's no limit to where your mind can travel with a book as your ticket. Make the Rockwell Book Fair your next destination and get ready to READ AROUND THE WORLD!

Visit the [Rockwell's Scholastic Website](#) to see a sample of the popular book titles you may find at the book fair and Make a Student Wish List to bring to the fair with you.

Diane Davenport  
Teacher Librarian

## Get In Motion - Seattle Marathon

### **Run a Marathon!**

The Seattle Children's Kids Marathon 2009 is on **SATURDAY, November 28th** at 10:00 AM at the Seattle Center. Kids begin their final 1.2 miles from the corner of 5th and Harrison. For more information and to register for the marathon go to: [www.seattlemarathon.org](http://www.seattlemarathon.org). We hope the Rockwell families will show their Beagle Pride and wear purple for race day. We will designate a meeting place prior to the race.

**Train for the run at your pace and count**

**all of your efforts** -- if you are running for other sports or



**kids  
MARATHON**

november 28

[EBC Holiday Hoop Camp](#)

[Spring Break Drama Camp](#)

#### CITY EVENTS

[College and Career Resource Guide](#)

#### CLASSES

[Navigating The Juvenile Justice System: Youth, Mental Illness and the Law](#)

[Try Synchronized Swimming](#)

[Music for Kids Foundation is offering scholarships!](#)

[COMPASS Project](#)

#### CLUBS

[Boy Scouts Troup 557](#)

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

[StoryBook Theater presents "Snow White"](#)

[Redmond Lights](#)

[Lyric Light Opera - The Sound of Music](#)

[The Nutcracker at Northshore Performing Arts Center](#)

[Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol](#)

[Toys for Tots](#)

[FREE Dental Care Day](#)

[StoryBook Theater - Musical Fairytale Adaptations for](#)

PE, be sure to record your mileage. Happy Running, happy feet!

Mary Klug

Get In Motion Chairperson

### Rockwell Spirit Wear



#### Hoodies, T-shirts and Tie-Dye - Oh My!

It's that time of year to get the gear to show your Rockwell pride! There's a great selection shirts this year offering both silk-screened and embroidered options. A black & white order form is being sent home

via "kid-mail". [See the full-color order form here](#) or in the office. You can click on the picture of the shirt to link to the manufacturer's site for sizing/measurement information. Orders are due by **Monday, November 30th** for delivery before Winter Break. Please remember that this is not a PTA fundraiser - these items are offered at cost, to allow families to affordably show school spirit. Tisha Davis

[Tisha@microsoft.com](mailto:Tisha@microsoft.com)

Minerva Butler

Spirit Wear Co-Chairs

### The PTA Needs You!

#### Levy and Bond 2010 Campaign

##### Dollars and Sense

Every four years the Lake WA School District relies upon the community to put forth effort in order to ensure the success of the levy & bond election. The local dollars collected from the levies and bonds are critical to the district's ability to maintain basic education services.

While levies were originally intended to provide extras and enrichment, the slow erosion of state funding and the \$7 million dollar budget cut LWSD made to the current budget have forced the district into using the levy dollars to pay for basic education.

The Educational Programs & Operations Levy and the Capital Projects Levy pays for consumables such as transportation costs, athletics, general maintenance of facilities, utilities, and a host of other things that are either not funded by the state or are underfunded. **These levies now make up 20% of the district budget** for basic education. We are feeling the effects of the recent budget cuts this year. **If the EP & O Levy fails to pass, the cuts will be more than 3 times what was cut this**

[Children Ages 3-10 and families](#)

[Ready-Set-Read](#)

#### SPORTS

[Boys Lacrosse Registration Night](#)

[Girls Lacrosse Info and Registration](#)

[WAVE Aquatics Swim Team 10 Reasons to Join](#)

[Basketball Speed and Strength Training](#)

[Boys & Girls Club Sports Programs](#)

[i9 Sound Kids Sports Programs](#)

[Eastside Ski & Boarding Lessons & Transportation Grades 4-12](#)

[Eastside Basketball Club training](#)

[WAVE Aquatics Registration](#)

[Home Court Basketball for boys & girls PreK-2](#)

[Boys & Girls Club Basketball 3rd-6th grades](#)

[Redmond North Little League Baseball Registration](#)

[EBC Kyle Keyes Training Sessions](#)

[PNW Traditional Moo Doe Free Martial Arts Classes](#)

[Boys & Girls Club Pee Wee Sports Classes](#)

**year** (roughly \$65 million dollars per year for the next four years).

The bond measure functions as a mortgage. It allows the district to build new facilities and to prevent overcrowding in schools. If this measure fails, the rebuilding of Norman Rockwell will be delayed. (This is roughly \$234 million dollars to be paid back over the next 20 years.)

#### What you can do to help!

The Lake Washington Education Association has created an easy calling system that walks the volunteer step by step through the process of surveying local citizens. It is as simple as asking a series of "Yes" or "No" questions and tracking the information on-line at home. You don't need to be an expert on the levy and bond issues, in fact, any person in our community can participate. **We need 15 volunteers to help conduct this survey.** If you can help in this important effort please e-mail me using a home e-mail address (we cannot use business e-mail addresses). The instructions and list of contacts will be sent to you via e-mail. Our list of Rockwell volunteers needs to be submitted **by November 18th.**

The PTA Board and Norman Rockwell staff appreciate your help keeping our schools funded.

Thank you,

Celia Kennedy

Norman Rockwell PTA President

[Celia@Kennedyresidence.com](mailto:Celia@Kennedyresidence.com)



#### PACE

When **PACE** members need a break from holiday busy-ness, they have a lot of excellent Redmond restaurants to choose from:

**Azteca Mexican Restaurant, Blazing Bagels, Carolina Kitchen, Coho Café, Coyote Creek Pizza, Dairy Queen, Emerald City Smoothie, Fatburger, Golden Chopsticks, Great Harvest Bread Co, Gyro World, Himitsu Teriyaki, Inchin's Bamboo Garden, Jerzy's Wine Bar, Mehfil Fine Indian Dining, Papa John's Pizza, Pasha Grill, Pizza Schmizza, Preet's, Typhoon!, Watercross Asian Bistro**

**PACE** members, remember that you **receive 20%** of

your restaurant bill back from **PACE** on your first visit, and with every visit, the **Rockwell PTA earns 5%** of your total.

You can sign up for **PACE** at any time by visiting the [PACE website](#) or you can learn more about the program on the [Rockwell PTA fundraising page](#).

Thank you for supporting the Rockwell PTA and our local businesses.

## Rockwell School Directory



### Check Your Directory

By now, hopefully every family has received their copy of the school directory and checked your name and listing. If you found an error in your information, please drop me an email. In the next couple of weeks, we will send home a page of updates.

We have a few more extras. If you would like purchase a second copy for \$5, please email your request to me at [tracy@tracybrooks.com](mailto:tracy@tracybrooks.com).

Thanks,

Tracy Brooks

Director of Communications

## Innisbrook Giftwrap



We will not be holding the Innisbrook Giftwrap Fundraiser this year. However, if you would like to order Innisbrook giftwrap, chocolate or gift items, please visit the PTA's Fundraising page for the link to Innisbrook or go to [www.Innisbrook.com](http://www.Innisbrook.com).

Be sure to use the **Norman Rockwell School ID (119629)** and 50% of your purchases will come back to the PTA.

- Pay by credit card
- Ships directly to your home (free with an \$85 order),
- Receive your giftwrap in time for the holidays
- Rockwell PTA earns 50% of each order
- Forward the Innisbrook link and Rockwell's ID number to family and friends

Minerva Butler  
Fundraising

## Did You Know?

Supporting the Rockwell Community

Hunger in this nation of plenty is staggering. The latest statistics available from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture show that nationwide 35.1 million people-including **12.4 million children-experience hunger** or the risk of hunger every year. Despite efforts such as the food stamp program, local food banks, and hot meal programs, in the state of Washington alone some 88,000 people simply go hungry each year. Another 251,000 people are stretched so close to the edge financially that on any given day they can't be sure whether they can afford to go to the grocery store and buy food for their families.

Some of those families are right here in the Rockwell community. Please consider picking up a **grocery gift card** (please include the value of the card) the next time you are at the grocery store. Send it in or drop it off at the office. The next time a family in dire straights comes to the school asking for help, your generosity will support a family in need.

### Susan B. Tobey Scholarships

Did you know the Rockwell PTA budgets \$1,000 each year for scholarships? The Susan Tobey scholarship fund was established years ago to provide funds for families in need. These dollars are available exclusively to fund non-PTA related school expenses like field trips and supplies. Direct inquires to the office.

### Other Information

#### Community Service Opportunity

#### Winter Clothing Drive!

The Church of Mary Magdalene in Seattle has a day center called Mary's Place. Here, the church shelters homeless women and children during the day. They also supply the women and children with some clothing and hygiene necessities. The church acquires most of these items through donations. With the cold weather already here the women and children are in desperate need for winter clothing!!

Please help keep these women and children warm this holiday season!

It would be a great help if each grade level could bring the following:

Preschool-Kindergarten: **socks**

1st & 2nd: **gloves**

3rd & 4th: **hats and scarves**

5th & 6th: **jackets/coats**



**All items may be new or lightly used!!!! If you do not have any of the items your grade level was assigned do not hesitate to bring in any combination of hats, scarves, gloves, jackets, coats, socks, even sweats and shoes!**

Donations will be collected **November 16th- 30th!**

Your donations will help make the cold journey through winter a little easier for the women and children of Mary's Place. Have any questions? Want to make a donation but forgot to bring it to school?

Contact Jordyn Ohrt

Email: [s-johrt@lwsd.org](mailto:s-johrt@lwsd.org)

## Community Service Opportunity

Hello Fellow Rockwellian's,

With the holidays approaching, I am doing a **volunteer project for a couple of the Assisted Living Communities in Redmond**. If you get the newspaper delivered to your home that includes an **advertisement from JoAnn fabrics** there is a **40% off coupon** and other offers in their mailing each week. I would like to offer these to our seniors in Assisted Living Communities who are on a limited income. They can buy something fun to decorate the door of their apartment or to give as a gift to a son or daughter.

This would mean a lot to many people. I have checked with the Activity Directors at the Assisted Living Communities in Redmond and they were thankful for this offer. I will put a large mailing envelope on the posting board outside the main office at Rockwell. It will be clearly marked. If you want to add a coupon from JoAnn fabric to this envelope it will be there as of next Monday.

The residents at these communities get to go out shopping on the bus each week and I was told that one of their favorite place to go is JoAnn fabrics! (That is the ladies choice.)

So, **between now and Thanksgiving I will begin delivering JoAnn fabric coupons in a special package from Norman Rockwell!!**

Thanks for your kindness and participation if you choose to join in.

Jeanne M. Smith

cell number

425-301-1570

425-301-1570

## Thank You

### Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF

#### Thanks to the Rockwell Community

Our students raised **\$1,022.20 for UNICEF!**

Over 90 Rockwell students participated by requesting donations while trick-or-treating for Halloween. The donations have been sent to UNICEF, where they will be used to provide basic healthcare, fresh water and school supplies to kids all over the world.

Thea Fortune

UNICEF Chairperson



### Bugle Article Submissions Welcome

**The Beagle Bugle welcomes article submissions from students and parents.** Student journalists may submit articles about current events, students opinion-editorials and poems or short stories. Parents may submit articles about PTA events and school related topics. Short pieces will be included in the Bugle, longer pieces will be posted on the website with a link in the Bugle. The Deadline for submissions for the next weekly Bugle is the preceding Thursday at 1pm. The Bugle Staff reserves the right to be selective regarding the materials that are publicized.

Contact the Bugle staff or submit articles at [rockwellbugle@yahoo.com](mailto:rockwellbugle@yahoo.com).

**Sincerely,**

Tracy Brooks

Beagle Bugle Editor

Norman Rockwell Elementary PTA