

## The Owl's Nest

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

Our lost and found is overflowing! Please take a moment to check this table as we have a number of coats, sweaters, lunch boxes...if you lost it, we probably have it! The table is located just outside the cafeteria. A few times per year our PTSA volunteers gather up the items from this table and donate them to a local charity. Unfortunately, the pile continues to grow so large that we cannot store it all. Haven't seen your child wear that blue sweater in a while? Hmmm...

Today we completed our Shelter-In-Place drill. This was part of a district-wide drill to practice this emergency procedure and to test our emergency radios. Our teachers prepared the students before the drill by discussing why we need emergency drills, what kind of emergency might result in a shelter-in-place, etc. Then we practiced, and our students did an amazing job! I have never heard our halls so quiet with 600 people present. Your children were quiet, calm and focused throughout the drill, which lasted about 20 minutes. Thanks to our staff for preparing the students and modeling this so well.

Have a great week!  
Karen Dickens

### Calling All Veterans!

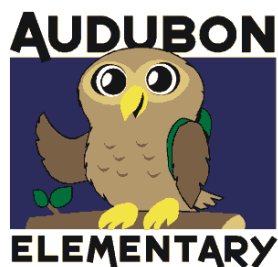
On Thursday, **November 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:45am**, we will have an all-school assembly honoring active military personnel and veterans of our military. If you are either of these we would love to invite you to attend our assembly to enjoy student performances and to be honored by all.

### Don't forget these important dates!

10/31/11	Annual Halloween Fun! - Parade begins @ 1:45p; class parties TBD individually
11/10/11	Veteran's Day Assembly, 8:45a in the cafeteria
11/11/11	No School – Veteran's Day Observance

### Rose Hill Middle School PTSA Transition Team Meeting

Last spring, we informed you about the upcoming PTSA Transition Team at RHJH asking for anyone interested in joining this team. The purpose of the transition team is to provide a forum where questions and concerns are addressed about the upcoming reconfiguration. The first meeting will be on Tuesday, November 1 @ 6:00 pm in the RHJH library. The first session will focus on get-to-know you's, learning information about Rose Hill and cultivating a list of "problems and concerns" that will be addressed in subsequent gatherings. If you are interested in being a part of this group, please contact Laurynn Evans directly at [levans@lwsd.org](mailto:levans@lwsd.org) to share your interest.



**October 28, 2011**

## **POLAR PLUNGE FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS!**

Calling all Polar Plungers: Tis' the season to be "**Freezin' for a Reason**" for Special Olympics Washington! Are you ready to take a dip in the frigid waters of Lake Washington for the 2012 **Polar Plunge** in Redmond? Follow the link below for more information:

**[Save the Date and Register today!](#)**

**Sunday, January 1, 2012  
Idylwood Park - Redmond, Washington  
Plunge takes place at noon**

[http://www.specialolympicswashington.org/calendar/letr\\_events/polar\\_plunge](http://www.specialolympicswashington.org/calendar/letr_events/polar_plunge)

## **Lake Washington Schools Foundation Grant Writing Workshop:**

Registration for the rescheduled *Reaching for Success Grant Writing Workshop* is now available at [www.lwsf.org](http://www.lwsf.org)! The workshop will be held on **Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** at **4PM**.

We will be using Microsoft Lync as a way to host an online conference to provide information about the Reaching for Success grant application process and answer all your questions. Interested staff and/or parents are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact [grants@lwsf.org](mailto:grants@lwsf.org).

## **HALLOWEEN PARADE AND PARTIES – MONDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, BEGINNING @ 1:45 PM:**

Costume Parade – Everyone is invited to come and join the fun! Grades 3-6 will line up along the back sidewalk, facing the school, from outside Mrs. Fluharty's room and ending by the gym. There will be cones out to guide this line. K-2 classes will parade through to show off their costumes while other students, families and staff cheer and wave.

Students and adults of all ages may *bring* a simple costume (or just a funny hat) to wear for the parade (costumes are not worn to school for the entire day). In order to keep the fun in this, we do not allow costumes that depict violence and/or blood. No masks may be worn at school and no weapons (even fake); costume prep needs to be easy and able to be accomplished by the students in a short amount of time.

Recess and class parties will follow the parade at the end of the day. Please check information from your child's teacher for his/her class party details.

## **IMPORTANT QUEST INFORMATION AND CHANGES!**

**Students who are in grades 5 or 6** will attend **Middle School** for the **2012-2013** school year and must apply to **Middle School Quest**. Middle School applications will be available from Oct. 24 until Nov. 18 at 4:00 p.m. A Middle School Quest information night will be Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 7:00 p.m., at Kamiakin Junior High School, 14111 132<sup>nd</sup> N.E. Kirkland, 98034. Attendance at information night is not required to apply.