



Renaissance School of Art and Reasoning Weekly Bulletin

Newsletter Date: 12/3/2011

Special points of interest:

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Renaissance School to stay at Eastlake

Renaissance School of Art and Reasoning will remain at Eastlake High School. In the fall of 2012, the school will move out of the high school building and into its own mini-campus, a configuration of modular, portable classrooms that will be served with water and plumbing. The same kind of mini-campus of portables is also being built at BEST High School to house Northstar Middle School. Renaissance students will continue to use Eastlake facilities as needed to support the program, such as the gym, the library and the lunch room.

Based on initial projections for Eastlake High School with the addition of ninth grade next year, the district sought a new home for Renaissance to provide more room for Eastlake students. There was no suitable space available in existing buildings in the eastern half of the district. Because of the restrictions on building in unincorporated King County, building a campus for Renaissance on district land also was problematic. A number of options were researched and considered but no suitable option was found.

After updating projections for Eastlake based on current enrollment numbers, it was determined that the Eastlake building with its new addition will be able to accommodate all Eastlake students, including the 9th graders. As a result, the space reserved for portables originally intended for use by Eastlake students can now be used for Renaissance instead. We look forward to the continued success of Renaissance at EHS as it reconfigures to a 6th-8th grade program.

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2011/2012 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

December 7	Rehearsal 12:40 – 2:00
December 13	Rehearsal 3:30 – 5:45
December 13	Dance Performance
December 19 – January 3	Winter Break
January 5	Choice School Night
January 16	MLK Jr. Day – No School
January 18	7:00 pm EHS Incoming
	Current 9th grade parent night
January 25	7:00 pm EHS Incoming
	Current 8th grade Parent night
February 7	Talent Show
February 8	Vision and Hearing Screening
February 16, 17 & 20	Mid – Winter Break
February 24	School Dance
March 16	No School
April 2 – 6	Spring Break
May 4	No School
May 9 – 10	Spring Performance
May 13 – June 15	MSP and EOC Testing Window
	Exact dates to be announced
May 25 & 28	No School
May 31	Incoming RSAR Parent Meeting
June 1	School Dance
June 14	8th and 9th Grade Graduation
June 15	All School BBQ – Beaver Lake
June 22	Last Day of School – Half Day (10:30 am)

Upcoming Event

CORRECTION RE: EHS INCOMING FRESHMAN & SOPHOMORE PARENT NIGHTS

Eastlake High School will be hosting two incoming parent nights in January for parents of students who will be attending Eastlake HS in 2012-2013.

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Incoming Freshman Parent Night (current 8th grade parents)

Wednesday, January 25th

6:30 PM Meeting for parents of students in Special Education in Room C205

7:00-8:00 PM Information Session in the EHS Theater

Incoming Sophomore Parent Night (current 9th grade parents)

Wednesday, January 18th

6:30 PM Meeting for parents of students in Special Education in Room C205

7:00-8:00 PM Information Session in the EHS Theater



Week In Review

Mrs. Kane's Classroom Updates

No Update this week

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Week In Review

Mr. Thornsberry's Classroom Update

8th Grade Parent Alert!

Tuesday, December 6, at 6:00 pm Mr. Thornsberry will be hosting an 8th grade only Math Curriculum Night to prepare parents for the upcoming unit on quadratic functions (CMP Unit "Frogs, Fleas, and Painted Cubes"). The goal will seek to enable parents to help their 8th graders at home. Expect the session to last at least one hour. Unit quizzes and exams will be pre-viewed.

7th graders parents are encouraged to have their students explain Problem 2.1. We are studying ratios which compare parts to parts. These ratios look like fractions which students usually use to compare parts to wholes.

Many 9th graders are breathing easier now that we have temporarily abandoned the traditional math tools of compass and straightedge and entered the 21st century world of Geometer's Sketchpad, enabling easily manipulated virtual constructions. 9th grade parent homework: Ask your students to describe the relationship between a triangle's exterior angle and its remote interior angles.

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[Mrs. Bawa's Classroom Updates](#)

Week In Review

7th Grade Update

Students are developing their science process skills while investigating the effect of surface area on sliding friction. The underlying skills which govern the scientific method are referred to as science process skills. Students are busy writing hypothesis, making observations, measuring and calculating carefully, making data tables, and writing conclusions. In this lab students always get surprised to find data that does not support their hypothesis. It is essential for scientists to be able to distinguish their objective observations from their predictions. Students will type this lab report and turn it in on Dec. 8th.

The Amber collecting field trip was a lot of fun! Thanks to parent chaperons Ms. McMillan, Ms. Langton, Mr. Maslen, Ms. Krumm, Mr. Clinton, Mr. Chang. Ms. Fox for coming out in the cold with us. We appreciate it very much!

8th Grade Update

It is December already! This year is going by so fast! This holiday season, students will be able to make salads during family dinners and explain the role density plays in the dressings. Students are busy making careful observations and doing calculations to find the density of oil, vinegar, carrots and croutons. They will be assessed on the unit of density next week.

9th Grade Update

Students are learning how to use graphical representations to find details about the motion of an object. They are converting velocity vs. time graphs to acceleration vs. time graphs these days. Students have learned Newton's second law and used it to solve many numerical problems on net force, mass and acceleration.

Topics that will be covered next week: Terminal velocity, surface area and air drag, meaning of weight to mass ratio.

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[Mrs. Daman's Classroom Updates](#)

Performing Arts

Students continue to work on their semester I projects for Performing Arts as well, as the projects are coming to a close. The assignment sheet maybe located on www.inetteacher.com. Go to performing Arts, then click on the drop down menu on the right, select Semester I Project Assignment Sheet, and click go. The students will be doing their presentations in class the week of December 5th. Final posters were due yesterday, 11/17/2011 for seventh and eighth graders and today, 11/18/2011 for ninth graders. The dance concert this year will be held on Tuesday, December 13th, 2011 from 7:00 – 8:15. There will be two after school rehearsals prior to the performance to run through the entire show so the students get comfortable with the order. The dates are Wednesday, November 30th from 12:40 to 2:00 and **Wednesday, December 7th from 12:40 – 2:00.** **We will be rehearsing in the lower gym. The mandatory tech rehearsal will be Tuesday, December 13th from 3:30 – until 5:45. Dinner will be provided by the PTSA for the students. Students are also working on their dance concert dances for the show.** Seventh grade students and any new eighth and ninth grade students will need to purchase a basic stage make-up kit from Pacific Northwest Costume in Bella Bottega shopping center. The phone number for the store is 425-881-8618. The address is 16134 NE 87th Street, Redmond, WA 98052. Let them know you are a Renaissance student and they will be able to get you what you need. Everyone needs to have their make-up by December 9th, 2011. Parents who are interested in helping with make-up before and/or during the performance please e-mail Martha Daman or Judi McLaughlin and we will utilize your expertise.

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Message from Andrew

Topic: Ecstasy

What: Ecstasy (methylenedioxyamphetamine), also known as "rave, love drug, XTC, Adam, Eve, thizz and stunna", is a psycho-stimulant (if you remember, we reviewed this type of drug two weeks ago). Psycho-stimulants interact with various regions of the brain causing stimulant and hallucinogenic (both visual and tactile i.e. touch and feeling) affects. It can be administered via the following routes: swallowed, snorted or injected (most often swallowed and snorted as it is commonly sold in powder or pill/tablet form).

How does it affect a person: Increased heart rate, sweating, chills, hyperactivity, muscle spasms, clenching of teeth (that is why pacifiers, for example, are used), dehydration, and **hyper**thermia (overheating). Because MDMA is often ingested orally, affects do not subside until about 4 - 6 hours. Headache, nausea, heart rhythm problems, depression/anxiety, seizure, cardiovascular failure, coma and lastly, the production of hydrogen peroxide in the brain as a result of chemical interactions among neurons and MDMA, are all affects of MDMA use (yep, this literally kills brain cells).

Please note: Although "Ecstasy" is often sold as "pure," over 45% of "Ecstasy" confiscated by the DEA was found to have NO MDMA in it at all!!! Therefore, one can only guess what chemicals they are ingesting (such as methamphetamine, baking powder, aspirin, talcum powder, etc.)

THIS IS AN EXTREMELY DANGEROUS DRUG - If you or someone you know is currently using this substance, or if you have any questions regarding MDMA or any other drug, please feel free to stop by or contact me!

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Dream...Dream...Dream...

December 13, 2011

7:00 PM

Eastlake Performing Arts Center



Skip the long lines!

Plan ahead and have your tickets delivered to you via kid mail or pick up in the school office. Simply pre-order your tickets by December 12, 2011.

Print out the order form below and send with your check payable to RSAR to the attention of Deborah Lerner, School Secretary. Thank you .

Student Name: _____ Guild Advisor: _____

Please fill in how many of each kind of ticket you need	Multiply by price for ticket type	Total \$ for tickets
# _____ _____	Student w/ASB Card or elementary student \$5each	\$ _____
# _____ _____	General Admission Ticket \$6	\$ _____
		Total \$ _____

After School Program

French Language Club at Renaissance School of Art and Reasoning

Registration Form Winter 2012

Please fill out One Form per Student.

Quick Facts:

French classes start on January 23th and end on March 26th.

Send your registration form and check (payable to Parisa Behzad-Pour) to the school office in an envelope marked French Club.

Class size is limited to 15 students and it is first come, first served basis. Registration forms must include payment to secure your space.

Minimum enrollment of 6 students must be met in order to hold class. In case of cancellation your check will be returned.

Class dates are : 1/23, 2/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/27, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19 and 3/26

No class on Martin Luther King and Memorial day (1/16 and 2/20)

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Guild Teacher Name : _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ E-mail : _____

Home : () _____ Work () _____ Mobile: () _____

Student's Mobile: () _____

Emergency Phone #s: _____

Afternoon French Class Offered:

_____ Mondays 2:15- 3:15 PM – 9 Classes - \$ 145

_____ Winter Quarter

Program Policies:

We understand that to keep these classes successful (fun, interesting and effective) all students must behave appropriately.

We follow Renaissance school closure policy. If you have any questions about the French Language program, please send an email or call Mme Parisa Behzad-Pour. (parisabpour@hotmail.com), Phone: (425)605-8551

Parent Signature

Student Signature