

**Important Dates:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
November		
19	1:00pm	Woodinville <i>Barnes and Noble Book Fair</i> – Honor Choir Performing (please read article)
23	Noon Release	School dismisses at 12:00pm PM Kindergarten attends school 9:00am -12:00pm (NO bus service) AM Kindergarten does not attend this day
24	All Day	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Holiday
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29	9:40am-10:40am	King County presents “Our Planet, R Choices” Assembly
30	10:00am-12:30pm	Picture Retakes (Volunteers may get pic taken for Volunteer Badge)

**ATTENDANCE POLICY** The state has made changes at the elementary level for attendance. In the past all absences have shown as excused on report cards. As of this school year if a parent/ guardian does not call the school within 24 hours of an absence, the absence will be recorded as unexcused, and your child’s report card will now show both excused and unexcused absences separately. This is going into effect to bring the elementary level in line with Washington State’s Becca Law. For more information on the Becca Law please go to <http://www.kingcounty.gov/Prosecutor/truancybecca.aspx>

**COLD WEATHER – WARM CLOTHING:** As fall is upon us and winter is just around the corner, please help your child(ren) plan and dress appropriately. The layered options are the best, it covers either cold or warm situations. Warm clothing, sweaters, sweatshirts, hats, glove, boots come in handy some days, even when some days start out warm in the morning. It is IMPORTANT to label your child’s outerwear so it has a possibility of being returned to them should an article of clothing be left outside.

**COPY PAPER** A ream of colored paper and a ream of white paper was requested from every student on their school supply list. Very few students turned in reams of paper. If you are able to send in even one ream of either white or colored paper, it would be very much appreciated. Thank you!

**PTA NEWS**

**Woodinville *Barnes and Noble Book Fair* takes place all day November 19, 2011 – 10% of all book sales to Thoreau parents will be donated to Thoreau Elementary PTA. If you make a purchase, please make sure you share with them that you are from Thoreau Elementary. Also, Thoreau’s Honor Choir will perform at 1:00pm in front of the store. You won’t want to miss the fun!! Come on down!!!**

**MAKE IT TAKE IT FAIR:** Join us in this wonderful Thoreau tradition! Whether it be Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Winter Solstice, or just for fun; We all have friends and family who would feel loved when given a handmade gift. There will be 8 gifts to choose from, watch the display case by the front office for new crafts to be revealed each week! Gifts will be \$2 each. For those students with an entrepreneurial side, get ready to sell your own items at your own vendor table! Vendor tables for students are free, vendor tables for parents or community members will be available for the low cost of \$15. If you are interested in reserving a vendor table or if you are willing to volunteer, please contact Amy Baker at [dاسبakers@gmail.com](mailto:dاسبakers@gmail.com) or 425-273-6123.

**WHO DUN IT?** Information and registration form for Who Dun It drama classes may be accessed through our website links.