

# MARK TWAIN ELEMENTARY

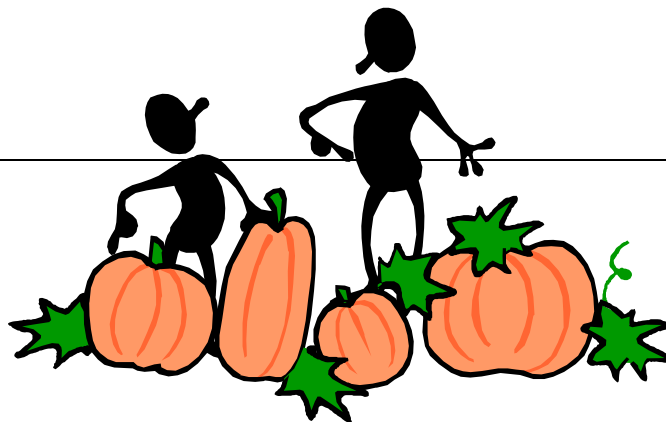
## "Twain Times"

October 24, 2011

Our Vision: "Every Student Future Ready"

### CALENDAR:

Oct 24 <sup>th</sup>	
Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	
Oct 26 <sup>th</sup>	Early Release 1:30 (Every Wednesday)
Oct 27 <sup>th</sup>	
Oct 28 <sup>th</sup>	
<u>Up Coming Events</u>	
Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>	International Night
Nov 4 <sup>th</sup>	Picture Retake Day
Nov 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO SCHOOL VETERAN'S DAY</b>



### Principal/Office

**International Night** is on Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8. So far we have 22 different countries who are hosting tables! You will be able to see dances from Japan, Mexico, Greece, and India. You will get a passport to collect stamps or stickers from each country you visit. You still have time to sign up to perform a dance from your culture or host a table. All forms need to be turned in to Mrs. Saucier by Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>! E-mail Renee Saucier (ELL Teacher) at [rsaucier@lwsd.org](mailto:rsaucier@lwsd.org) if you have any questions.

La Noche Internacional es el Jueves, el 3<sup>rd</sup> de Noviembre de 6-8. Hasta ahora tenemos 22 países diferentes que van a tener mesas! Podrá ver bailes desde Japón, México, Grecia y la India. Obtendrá un pasaporte para recoger sellos o etiquetas de cada país que visita. Todavía tiene tiempo para inscribirse para hacer un baile de su cultura o hacer una mesa para su país. Necesitan entregar a su forma de inscripción a la Sra. Saucier por el martes, 25 de Octubre! Mande un correo electrónico a Renee Saucier (ELL Teacher) [rsaucier@lwsd.org](mailto:rsaucier@lwsd.org) si tiene alguna pregunta.

Международная ночь на четверг, Ноябрь — 3<sup>rd</sup> с 6-8. Пока мы имеем 22 различных стран, которые принимают таблицы! Вы сможете увидеть танцы из Японии, Мексики, Греции и Индии. Вы получите паспорт для сбора почтовых марок или наклейки от каждой страны, которые вы посещаете. Вас еще есть время зарегистрироваться для выполнения танец из вашей культуре или разместить таблицу. Все формы должны быть превратили в госпожа Saucier, вторник, 25 октября! Электронной почты Рене Saucier (ELL учитель) на [rsaucier@lwsd.org](mailto:rsaucier@lwsd.org), если у вас есть какие-либо

**Halloween Celebration at Twain:** Halloween is approaching (Monday, October 31<sup>th</sup>) and I want to let you know what it will look like at Mark Twain. We will not be having an all-school assembly or parade. However, each classroom will be having an individual classroom party sometime during the day.

Appropriate costumes will be allowed, but must NOT be worn before the party or until the classroom teacher allows (with the exception of Mrs. Wilcox's half-day kindy classes, who will be allowed to wear their costumes to school).

This will require those students who choose to wear costumes to bring them in a bag (labeled with their name) and be able to put them on quickly (no makeup) and independently when directed. "Appropriate costumes", means: no masks, blood, guts, weapons, or violent themes. Also costumes must not be too revealing in nature. Please use common sense. We want the children to have fun; the intent is not to scare or offend. If you **do not** want your

child to participate in any Halloween festivities, please let your child's teacher know. We will provide an alternative activity for those students. It is also an option to pick your child up early that day.

**School Tardies and Absences** have a negative impact on a student's performance. While it is important to have your child stay home when they are sick, it is also important to avoid unnecessary tardies and absences (oversleeping, vacations, slow start, etc.). We will soon be mailing home letters to families of students who have excessive tardies and/or absences as we want to do everything we can to make sure students are in class on time and ready to learn. Please let us know if we can be of assistance.

**LWSD Gifted Program (Quest):** In the 2012-2013 school year, **Elementary Quest** will serve second through fifth grade students. Therefore, **only students in grades 1-4** may apply for elementary Quest. Kindergarten students may no longer apply. **The elementary program will accept applications Oct. 3 through Oct. 28 at 4:00 p.m.** Elementary Quest information nights will be either Thursday, Sept. 29, or Thursday, Oct. 6, at either 4:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. Meetings will be held at Rose Hill Junior High School, 13505 N.E. 75th St. Redmond, 98052. Attendance at information night is not required to apply.

**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. 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.

## **PTSA**

**PTSA Reflections-"Diversity Means..."** Please remember that Reflections entries are due by this Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. These can be turned into the Reflections box in the office. There will be a Reflections celebration for all participants on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. The celebration will be in the cafeteria from 2:00-3:00. Any questions? Please contact Shawna Gruner (PTSA Reflections chair) [shawnamg37@hotmail.com](mailto:shawnamg37@hotmail.com)

**Chess Club** Does your child like to play chess or interested in learning? Chess club is still accepting registrations. It is held Fridays 3:15 - 4:30 and is led by an experienced chess coach, David Hendricks. For more information, please send email to Carolyn Kerr ([carolynjkerr@gmail.com](mailto:carolynjkerr@gmail.com)) or Elizabeth Reese ([eliree@hotmail.com](mailto:eliree@hotmail.com)).

## **Bobcat Boxtop Races Have Begun!**

**Race 1 ends Fri., Nov 18th** so start clipping and saving now and turn your boxtops into your teacher! Watch for race results posted on the bulletin board by the library. Good luck!

## **Our school could get a TOTAL TECH MAKEOVER from Labels for Education!!**

**VOTE** for our school for a chance for us to win computers, laptops, color printer, smartboards, Apple® iPad® tablets, digital cameras, etc!!

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For questions or to help with this committee - please contact Amy ([amylettice@hotmail.com](mailto:amylettice@hotmail.com))

**ATTN: Parents without internet access!** If you are unable to receive emails or access the internet and want to stay informed of PTSA events & news, please submit a note with your child's name and teacher addressed to: PTSA Communications - NO EMAIL. Thank you!