







Jefferson Elementary School Newsletter

OCTOBER 2017

CALENDAR

- 6 >JPG Fund Raising Orders DUE >EARLY DISMISSAL - 1:00 pm
- 11 First Grade VIP: in cafeteria 8:05 8:25 am
- 13 EARLY DISMISSAL 1:00 pm
- 16 Schuh Farms: 4th (8:40-10:40)) & 3rd (12:45 -2:45)
- 17 Schuh Farms: Kdg (9:00-11:00) & 2nd (12:30-2:30)
- 18 >Student Council meeting: 7:30-8am >Schuh Farms: 1st (9:00 - 11:00) 19 Schuh Farms: 5th (9:00 – 2:30)
- 20 EARLY DISMISSAL
- 23 & 24 Evening Conferences: 6:00 8:00 pm
- 23 & 24 Book Fair FAMILY NIGHT: 5:00 8:00 pm >Individual Student Pictures
- 27 EARLY DISMISSAL 1:00pm >JPG Costume Bingo - 6:00 - 7:00pm

Elementary Early Dismissal FRIDAYS

Start: 8:30 AM Dismissal: 1:00 PM

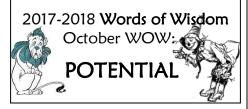
Every Friday that school is in session, MVSD elementary students will be dismissed 2 hours early. Lunch is served before dismissal. ALL bus routes



Sweat Pants (various sizes)

A quick clothes change is a need throughout the year.





PLEASE READ: IMPORTANT MESSAGE

According to Washington State Law, Oct. 30, 2017

is the last day students out of compliance with immunizations are allowed to attend school this year.

If you have not already ensured that your child's immunizations are up to date, please do so immediately.

Greetings Jefferson Parents,

Our school has grown by 64 students this year! That is a significant change for us that has affected space in almost all areas. The new classes have been a welcome addition and the new students have proven themselves to be a great addition to Jefferson.

Students are filling out attendance goals this year as part of their goal setting. Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grades do this weekly. 3rd and 4th grade students do this is bi-weekly and 5th grade students set monthly goals. Our objective is to encourage attendance at school every day. Please help support this goal by getting your kids here on time, every day. Of course, if they are truly sick then they should stay at home and recover.

Conferences are coming up quickly. Our evening conferences are on October 23rd and 24th this year. These conferences are designed to set the stage for the school year and offer parents an opportunity to create a partnership with their students' teachers, coordinating the best methods of communication in order to support a student's goals for the year.

After each VIP Day, I am inviting parents to meet with me for an additional 30 minutes and A Second Cup of Coffee. This is an opportunity to have an open conversation about Jefferson. I have no set agenda but rather want to answer questions and listen to any concerns you may have. Teachers will include a reminder about A Second Cup of Coffee when they send grade level VIP invitations.

Have a super October. It is good to be back in business with the kids!

Tim Newall, Principal 360.428.6128



It's getting to be that time of year! There will be an influenza vaccination clinic at Cascade Commons October 5, 2017. There are no out of pocket costs (no deductible and no co-pay) for anyone who has a current insurance card. This is open to all MVSD students, parents/family & staff.

http://www.k12.wa.us/Parents/Information.aspx Watch the MVSD website for more information.

IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

School attendance is a primary focus for Mount Vernon School District. The district's goal is a 100% graduation rate. Please make note that classes at Jefferson begin at 8:30 a.m.

THREE WAYS TO REPORT A STUDENT'S ABSENCE:

- 1) Give your student's teacher a signed & dated note (not an email) with dates of absence in advance.
- 2) Call the school office, (360)428-6128, the day of your student's absence and send a signed & dated note to their teacher (not an email) with dates of absence when student returns.
- 3) A parent/guardian may email Jefferson Attendance by going to Jefferson's website: http://www.jefferson.mountvernonschools.org. On the Home page scroll down to SCHOOL LINKS and click on Report Student Attendance, this will take you to an attendance report format.
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 NOTE: Please DO NOT email teachers directly with attendance information.



Evening Community Support Centers

Centers opened mid-September. MVSD students are welcome **Monday - Thursday**. Tutors, computers and Wi-Fi are available to help students with homework, projects and other academic needs.

- © Cleveland Center (in Senior Center) 1401 Cleveland St. 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- **Kulshan Creek Station** (Blue House) Intersection of N. 26 St. & Kulshan Ave. 4:30pm to 6:30pm
- Arbor Park Apts. (Student Center) 200 S. La Venture Rd. 3:50pm to 5:50pm

For more information, please see:

http://www.mountvernonschools.org/sites/mvs d/files/2017-

09/Support%20Center%20Flyer%202017-2018.pdf

READ & RESPOND SUPPORT

Mrs. Torseth is in Jefferson's cafeteria before school, 8:05 – 8:25 am, to support students who need to complete their Read & Respond assignments.

JPG Family Evening



Concessions: Carmel Apples & Popcorn



Come enjoy a fun family evening with other Jefferson folks.

Counselor's Corner!

Hello, Jefferson Parents & Guardians;

It's so exciting to have the school year underway. We are enjoying seeing the students at school learning, making friends and being part of the Jefferson community. The Mount Vernon School District has a goal of 100% graduation. In order to do that, students need to be at school everyday. There will be some changes coming to our building for tardies and excusing absences even from parents. Establishing the habit of coming to school impacts your children academically, socially and emotionally. Thank you!

Heidi Hixson, Counselor hhixson@mvsd320.org 428-6128 ext. 22005

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Friday, Oct. 20 ~ Monday, Oct. 23 ~ Tuesday, Oct. 24



BEFORE SCHOOL 8:05 - 8:25 AM AFTER SCHOOL

Friday: 1pm-4:00pm, Mon/Tues: 3pm-4:00pm

10/23 & 24, 5:00 – 8:00 PM

Link to Online Shopping Site:

http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/jeffersonelementaryschool132

MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

Jefferson Elementary 5th grade students had the opportunity to go to Mountain School again this year. With early-September dates scheduled, it was a scramble for students, chaperones and staff to get ready to go but enthusiastic campers returned.

From North Cascade Institute website: Mountain School is a nationally recognized environmental education program offered by North Cascades Institute in cooperation with North Cascades National Park. Mountain School students come to the North Cascades with their school class, teacher & chaperones to learn about the ecosystems, geology and natural and cultural history of the mountains. Mountain School gives young people an experience they will remember forever.



FAMILY NIGHTS:

KEEP SCHOOLS SAFE

Report an incident of bullying, harassment, vandalism, guns, weapons, or safety issues.

Report via text. Report via web. Report via email. Report via phone.



