



Do You Have New Contact Information?

If you or any of your emergency contacts have recently changed numbers, addresses, or email accounts, please make sure you have notified the school office. It is extremely important that this information is kept up to date so that we can reach you in the event of an emergency or child becomes ill at school.

Wednesday Early Dismissal

It is extremely important to remember that every Wednesday students are dismissed at 1:05; 11:35 for kindergarteners. No one is available to supervise children after this time. Office staff and teachers frequently have meetings or other obligations that they are required to attend to. If you are unable to be on time please call one of your child's contacts for assistance with pick up.

Volunteering Reminder

As we head into spring, more field trips will be happening and we appreciate all of our volunteers that want to attend and help out around the school with various classroom activities. However, it is 4j policy that all volunteers must have a background check on file. It can take several weeks to process these checks, so please turn in your forms well in advance of the field trip or event date.

PTO Corner

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair is right around the corner. This year's theme is going to be Story Laboratory. The fair will run from February 25th to February 28th. Watch for future flyers! We hope to see you there. Volunteers are needed. Please see below for contact information.

Our first movie night was a success, Thank you to all the families who attended. We would also like to thank Alicia Longoria for all of her efforts on movie night and to everyone who volunteered, we couldn't do it without you.

Trinity United Methodist Church will be hosting a Free Pancake Dinner on Wednesday, February 13 at 5:45.

Our next PTO meeting will be February 19th at 6pm located in our school library. We will be focusing mostly on the Scholastic Book Fair.

We are looking for volunteers who can help in a variety of ways for our upcoming events, whether it is making phone calls, decorating or offering wonderful ideas and suggestions to help our PTO. Even if your time is limited we have a spot for you! Your efforts will be rewarding and greatly appreciated. This is one of the best ways to become involved in your child's school. Please contact us at 541-933-5336 or email howardelementarypto@gmail.com

It's O.B.O.B. Time Again!

The award winning "Oregon Battle of the Books" is underway for 2013. We have 9 teams of 5 students competing to see who will be the Howard Elementary Champs. The "Battles" are being held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 am until noon in room 2. The final "Playoff" will be held in the gymnasium on February 21st, time yet to be determined. The one team which wins that final Battle for School Champions will then proceed to compete on March 9, 2013 at the Region 3 North Regional competition against some very well prepared students from all over Lane County.

Please feel welcome to come and observe our "Battles and support your student! Volunteers are needed and welcome to come and help out throughout the games and at Region. It is fun! To volunteer, contact Allen Grush at grush_a@4j.lane.edu.

For more information about OBOB please visit the OBOB Official Website at:
<http://oboblsta.pbworks.com/w/page/5653620/FrontPage>.



St. Matthew's Episcopal Church
4110 River Rd.
10:00 - 11:30 am
The last Saturday of every month
February 23rd
March 30th
April 27
Questions: Call 541-343-2822

The Mobile Pantry provides supplemental groceries to help you feed your family
☐ Bread ☐ Produce ☐ Dry Goods ☐ Frozen Foods

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN BAG!

Future Happenings

- 2/1 - No School, Professional Development Day
- 2/8 - Report Cards Sent Home
- 2/18 - Presidents Day, No School
- 2/19 - PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 2/25 - 2/28 Scholastic Book Fair
- 2/28 - Literacy Night
- 3/1 - No School, Professional Development Day
- 3/19 - PTO Meeting
- 3/20 - Papa's Pizza Night
- 3/25 - 3/29 - Spring Break
- 4/1 - No School, Professional Development Day