



Washington Elementary May 2016

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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Washington Elementary School Families,

May 2-6 is Teacher Appreciation Week. This week is set aside to recognize those with whom we expect so much and who deliver even more – our teachers!

While I am sure we desire that our teachers feel appreciated each and every day, I would like to encourage our families to take a few moments to thank their teacher for their loyal and dedicated service to the students and community they serve.

Washington Elementary School is an exceptional place to work and learn because of those who work here. Teachers are important and integral members of our staff and we need to express how much we appreciate the work they do to provide the best for our children.

Each of the Washington teachers lead student achievement by encouraging, challenging, motivating and inspiring each student to learn at high levels. And, as parents, it must be a relief to know that when you send your children to Washington Elementary School, they will be provided with the best possible educational experiences.

As principal of this outstanding, award winning school, I am extremely proud to say that I work with such a wonderful group of professionals and I count it a privilege to serve as their principal.

Please join me in taking time to show your appreciation that teachers so richly deserve for the example they set for children of the value of a quality education, of showing respect, solving problems and making good and safe decisions – I believe they do it better than anyone!

In partnership,

Keith Collins
Principal

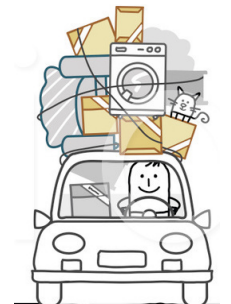
Dates To Remember

- May 2nd – 6th Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 4th First Grade Field Trip
- May 12th First Grade Music Program 6:30pm
- May 18th Kinder Field Trip
- May 18th PTSA Meeting 5:15pm
- May 19th All District Track Meet 3:30pm
- May 24th Incoming Kinder Open House 3:00
- May 25th Fourth Grade Field Trip
- May 26th Third Grade Field Trip
- May 27th Spirit Day – Hawaiian Beach Day
- May 30th No School – Memorial Day



Reminder for Next Year

Are you moving over the summer or are you choosing to have your child attend a different school next year? If so, please let us know as soon as possible. We are working on next year's class scheduling at this time and this information would be very helpful.



After School Plans

With the arrival of the nice weather sometimes our after school activities and routines change. Please talk with your student(s) before they come to school about what the plan is for after school. This also helps with disruptions during our school day.

PTSA Podium

PTSA Board Elections happen at the next General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, May 18th at 5:15. All are welcome to attend!

Nice turnout to show your school spirit at the Apple Blossom Youth Parade. Join us for the Apple Blossom run prior to the Grande Parade this Saturday the 7th.

WOW! You all collected over \$1700 worth of Boxtops this past quarter! Thanks for the awesome support!

Book Fair and Silent Auction coming up at the All School BBQ on June 2nd. Look forward to seeing you there! More information on how you can help with the Silent Auction, will be coming home the end of this week.



:: Save the Date ::

Washington Elementary Surplus Sale

Tuesday, June 14th * Doors Open at 8:00am

Items available for purchase will include student and teacher desks and chairs, tables, cabinets, bookshelves and much more.

More information and pictures will be posted on the district website, as it becomes available.

Counselor Corner

As we head into spring I'm working on teaching or reviewing Kelso's Choice with our students. They will recognize it as Kelso's Choice, Kelso's Wheel and older kids know it as 'Frog Pizza'. The goal is that all students will try a couple of these strategies to solve minor or "kid-sized problems" before telling an adult. If it's a big problem they need to talk with a big person right away.

Kelso's Choice is a tangible way for us to help students learn & practice problem solving skills.

This is right in line with our Eagle Expectations: Show Respect, Make Good & Safe Decisions, and Solve Problems.

With the younger student we focus on:

- Ignore
- Walk Away
- Go to Another Game
- Tell Them to Stop

Older student are also encouraged to:

- Talk it Out
- Make Deal
- Wait and Cool Off
- Share and Take Turns
- Apologize



Ask your son or daughter about Kelso and what strategies s/he can use to solve kid-sized problems at school.

Aaron MacKenzie
Counselor

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