

HAZEWOOD HIGHLIGHTS

March 2017

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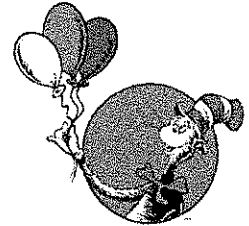
Founded in 1967

Dear Hazelwood Families,

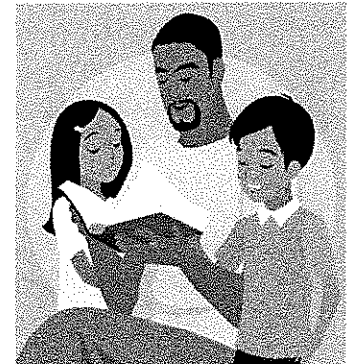


March is a great month of READING at Hazelwood. We just hosted celebrations for Dr. Seuss' Day, a week long Book Fair, and a fabulous PTA Family Reading Night, directed by Library-Information Specialist, Mrs. Tina Whicker. Our staff instructs students in reading a large portion of every day. Students have access to rich classroom libraries as well as our school library. Students are given independent time to practice reading every day.

Reading is an important part of the school experience at Hazelwood. No other academic skill is more important than reading. It is the secret that unlocks all other areas. Learning to read is not something that is just done at school. You can make a huge difference in helping your child to learn to read better. Here are a few proven ideas on how:



- ✦ **Let your children see you read.** Children who see their parents learn to value reading and they learn to read faster and better. Turn off the TV, Video games, etc. and set aside time to model reading (both recreationally and for information) for your child. Tell your children about your favorite books your favorite kinds of literature.
- ✦ **Read aloud with your children.**
- ✦ **Have your children read aloud to you.**
- ✦ Take a family field trip to the public library and/or a local bookstore.
- ✦ Ask your child what books they're reading at school and inquire what the book is about.
- ✦ Ask your child's teacher and/or our school librarian, Mrs. Whicker for additional ideas!



Thank you for reading this!!!

Dr. Tim Parnell

The Hazelwood Way

We are a community of learners.

We are kind.

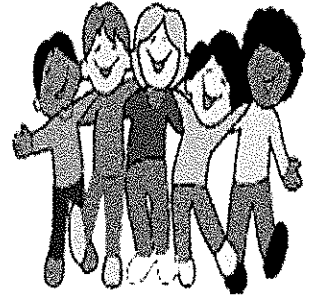
We are safe.

We are responsible.

We are Hazelwood!

Recess Equipment Needed

Hazelwood is in need of some donations for recess. We need rubber foursquare balls, jump ropes, tennis balls, soccer balls, playground chalk, and rubber/synthetic basketballs. If you could donate any of the above items, please drop them off and/or send them with your child to our Student Center and Mrs. Nancee Mann.



Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBA)

Dear Parents of Students in Grades 3 -6:

As you know, Hazelwood Elementary will soon be taking the **statewide Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBA)**. **Testing begins Monday, April 10 through Friday, May 12th**. Your child may not test each day, but the online test is important and every day of learning is important. The culture of the school changes slightly during the testing window. Like other formal assessments, classroom tests, grades, and your child's homework, the SBA is yet another tool for evaluating student learning. The tests are aligned to Common Core State Standards taught by teachers in our school. Each standard represents what students should know and be able to do in each grade level.

Parents can do a great deal to make certain their child is prepared to take the SBA:

- **Speak about testing in positive ways**, no matter what your own past experience with testing may be. We want children to be confident, calm, clear-headed, and ready to test.
- **Make sure your child comes to school**. Please do not schedule any vacations, doctor or dental appointments during this time. Please limit absences and/or early dismissals to illnesses during this time window.
- Make sure your child is **punctual during the testing weeks** as test administration begins first thing each morning.
- Make sure your child comes to school **well-rested** and has a **good breakfast**.
- You may **send a healthy snack** for your child to eat each day before testing begins (Suggested items are string cheese, apple slices, crackers, grapes, etc.)
- If you would like to **send a donated snack** (something that is in its original wrapping) to share with other children, that would be appreciated.
- Understand that **your child will need physical activity after school**.

Our 5th Graders will also take the state's online **Measurement of Student Progress (MSP)** assessment for **Science** in mid-May. We at Hazelwood appreciate all you do to assist our school in its quest to help all students achieve high standards. Thank you for helping make learning a priority in your home.

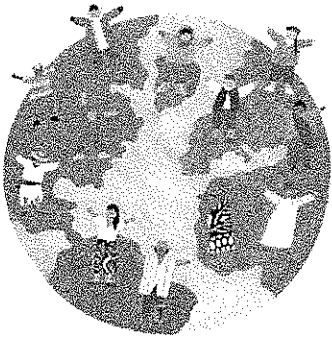
LOST AND FOUND

The Hazelwood "Lost and Found" is located outside our library. It is over-flowing with jackets, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, etc. which were left on the playground and/or around the campus. Please stop by and see if your child has forgotten something there. We try to have every classroom stop and look at the "Lost and Found" when they come to the library.

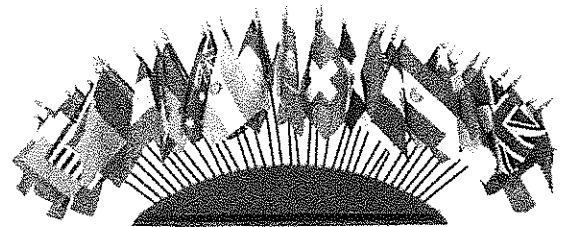


Cultural Heritage Family Potluck

Do not miss this outstanding event! Mark your calendars for the evening of Friday, March 24th. Hazelwood families come together and celebrate our wonderful diversity. Each family brings a special family food to share. There will be entertainment, games, music, and lots of fun! In the Gym beginning at 6:00pm.

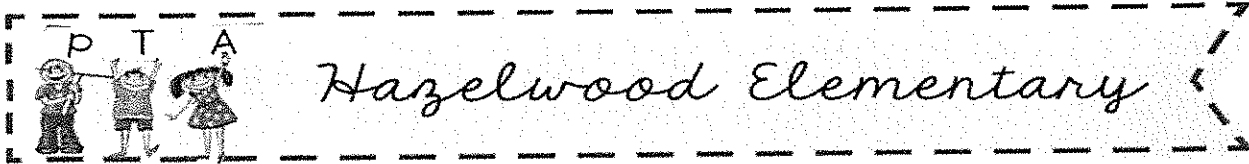


On the morning of Friday, March 24th we conduct our annual "Parade of Nations," when children dress up in family ancestral costumes and march into the gym with a flag. You are invited to this event as well. Beginning at 10:00am in the Gym.



Hazelwood Reading Night and Book fair

Hazelwood Reading Night will be Friday, March 3rd beginning at 6:30pm in the Library. Please join us for a fun night. The Book fair will also be open until 8:00pm. Everyone is welcome!



Hazelwood PTA News

- ★ Our next Hazelwood Family Fun Night is coming up! Join us for a hockey game on March 4th and watch the Silvertips vs. Americans at the Xfinity Arena in Everett. Tickets are still available for purchase! Check out our Facebook page for more information!
- ★ Cedar Grove donated 7 yards of compost to fill the new Hazelwood garden beds. THANK YOU Cedar Grove! All the beds were filled at the work party on February 23rd. The garden is now ready to plant for spring. We will be having more work parties this spring and summer. All Hazelwood families are welcome!
- ★ The Hazelwood Friendship Dance was a big success. Lots of students participated and danced the night away. 6th grade camp is now fully funded!
- ★ The next restaurant fundraiser is on March 22nd, ALL DAY at Buffalo Wild Wing! Come have some great food and support Hazelwood PTA!
- ★ Hazelwood PTA is looking for team members for our Muffins with Moms and Donuts with Dad events. These two events are in the spring. Please email us if you are interested in helping! Email: hazelwoodelementarypta@gmail.com

March PTA Important Dates:

- 3rd Hazelwood Reading Night
- 4th Hazelwood Family Night: SilverTips Hockey Game!
- 22th Restaurant Fundraiser @ Buffalo Wild Wing- ALL DAY!
- 23rd PTA Meeting @ 6:30pm
- 24th Multicultural Potluck @ 6pm

PTA Eagle of the Month

Our goal this year is to increase involvement at Hazelwood Elementary. Each month we will spotlight a person or group of people that exemplifies involvement at our school. Our PTA Eagle of the month for February 2017 is...TERESA McCLOUD! We asked Teresa to share a few things

How long have you been at Hazelwood? /Who are your children?

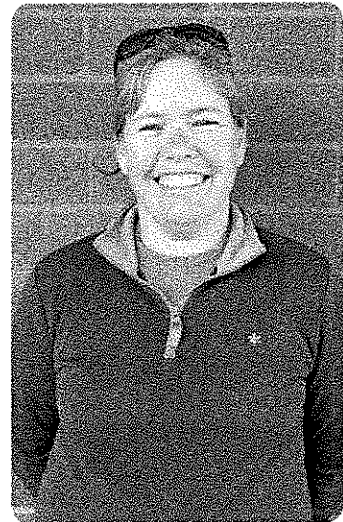
I have been at Hazelwood for a year and a half. My kids are Kali McCloud in 4th grade and Connor McCloud in 2nd.

How are you involved?

I helped put together the drama production and I volunteer for as many functions as possible.

What's your favorite movie?

Goonies



THANK YOU TERESA for all you do for Hazelwood PTA!



We're on Facebook! LIKE US! www.fb.com/HazelwoodPTA

March 2017

- 1 Registration for 2017/18 begins
- 2 Last day of *Move 60* Winter session
- 1-3 Book fair in Library 8:45 - 9:15 am and 3:50 - 4:30pm
- 3 Reading Night 6:30 - 8:00pm Book fair open
- 7 SE Quad Choir Concert 7:00pm at Mountlake Terrace HS
- 8 SE Orchestra Concert 7:00pm at Mountlake Terrace HS
- 9 SE Band Concert 7:090pm at Mountlake Terrace HS
Grade 1 and 2 Concert 6:30pm in Hazelwood Gym
- 12 Daylight Savings Begins
- 13-17 Classified School Employees Week
- 15 & 16 EARLY RELEASE 12:20PM Conferences
- 17 EARLY RELEASE 12:20PM
- 20-24 Coins for Kids Campaign
- 21 PTA Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser
- 22 Band Grade 5 Concert 7:00pm in Hazelwood Gym
- 23 PTA Meeting 6:30pm in Library
Grade 4 Field Trip
- 24 Parade of Nations Assembly 10:00am in Gym
Cultural Heritage Potluck 6:00pm in Gym

Spring Break April 3-7