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Principal's Corner

We are excited to see you at Parent/Teacher conferences this week.

The teachers are anxious to share information with you and really value your insights and thoughts about your student and his/her progress in school. Conferences are a time for you to find out more about your child's achievements, work habits, and social development. Thanks in advance for your time!

Conference times are limited to 15 minutes, and it is very important that each teacher maintain that schedule to be respectful of other parents and teachers.

I am excited to meet and see many of you at conference. I know the support we receive from our parents is outstanding and your attendance is appreciated!

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, October 31: Halloween parade K-3 2:00 p.m.

Wed.-Fri. - November 2-4: No School Kindergarten

Thurs.-Fri. - November 3-4: No School Grades 1-6

Wed.-Thurs. - November 2-3: Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 21-25: No School; Thanksgiving Vacation

December 2: Picture retakes

Friday, December 16: Early Release 10:30 & 1:15; Winter Break

December 19 – January 1: No School; Winter Break

Levy Information

What will the levy revenue pay for?

All revenue from the \$14 million per year, five-year supplemental levy, which goes before voters on March 13, will go toward preserving staff and education programs at current levels. This would avoid the increases in class sizes that would result from cutting more than 200 teachers, should the levy fail. Parents and educators agree that small class sizes are vital to the Boise School District's success story. Not only do all four of Boise's traditional high schools make the Washington Post's annual list of the top 6% of schools in the nation--but Boise is one of just 20 districts in the country that placed all of its traditional high schools on that list.

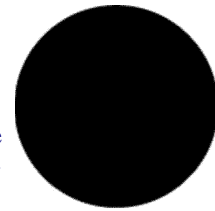
What do we get for our tax dollars from the Boise School District?

Two-thirds of Boise School District high-school graduates move on to post-secondary education, compared to fewer than half of graduates statewide. (Statistically, people with only a high-school degree earn much less and have much higher unemployment rates than people with a B.S.) 83% of college-going Boise School District graduates advance from freshman to sophomore year in college--a rate higher any state in the country. Our students outperform Idaho and the nation on standardized achievement tests, college entrance exams (ACT and SAT), and Advanced Placement (AP) testing.

On March 13, voters will decide on a \$14 million per year, five-year supplemental levy needed to make up for deep cuts in state funding and maintain the low class sizes and programs that have made our district one of America's best.

Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter & First Lady Lori Otter invite children and parents to attend the 2011 Capitol Halloween "Trick or Treat" with the Governor and First Lady October 31, 2011 3:30-6:30 pm (or until supplies run out) South Steps of the Capitol 700 W. Jefferson St. Boise, ID 83702

Recently, a long-time White Pine volunteer, Kathy Gronvold, passed away. There is a card and a donation box in the teachers' workroom if you would like to leave a message or help the family.



WHITE PINE FOOD DRIVE!

Ms. Beebe's class is sponsoring a food drive from 11/7 to 11/17. Bring non-perishable protein or carb items or donate online at: <http://tinyurl.com/3qlvm26>

100% class participation wins lunch party with the principal!



Cupcakes in the lunchroom! If you plan to bring a birthday treat for your student on his or her birthday, please check first with your teacher. We have some students with severe allergies that we need to plan for. Thank you!