

Our first five day school week was joyful and full of exploration, as many of you know from your involvement at Springwater this week. We had parents and grandparents join us in the lunchroom, art classes, Friday Field study and planning an amazing Fall Festival.

The rain stopped and the clouds parted for our first Friday field study. We saw an amazing number of praying mantis. One of our groups was so quiet at their sit spot that a deer walked right up the creek toward them.



Character focus this month is Care. This week we are focusing on Caring for Self.

This weeks family challenge.

Try to create the longest word you can, using each letter only once from the word: (my longest word is 9 letters-if you tie or beat 9, let me know)

The word is: Praying Mantis



Curriculum Night--Sept. 19th 5:00-7:30

Mark your calendars for Curriculum night featuring the Shindiggers! Please join us to meet your child's teachers and hear about the wonderful things happening you the school this year. Then bring a blanket and a picnic dinner and enjoy music on the field. Lissa Hettervig is going to bring a pizza food cart with 3 varieties of pizza for sale. We will also have the Kona Ice truck selling shave ice. The Shindiggers play country and honky-tonk original tunes.

We will begin and end the evening with time to share some information about your child with their teacher. You know your child so well, and we could use the "inside scoop". We will also have 2 teacher sharing times, so folk with more than one child will be able to hear from their teacher.

4:30-5:00 Sign up for 5 min parent sharing sharing with teacher

5:00-5:15 Welcome and overview in cafetorium

5:15-5:30 Classroom session #1

5:30-5:45 Classroom session #2

5:45-6:15 Sign up for 5 minute parent sharing with teacher

Board Meeting--Sept. 18th, 6:00 @ Springwater

We will be reviewing and continuing the visioning process for Springwater, get an update from Greg and read parent suggestions and open the floor for public comments. All are welcome.

No school Sept. 20th

This Friday will coincide with the Global Climate Strike being organized create awareness and action related to Climate Change. This is a movement started by young people and a <u>march</u> is being organized on Friday in Oregon city. For more information about the movement check out this <u>link</u>. This is a political movement and therefore as a public entity we will not be directly involved, but it is a topic that may be of interest to Springwater families.

Bus reminder

The Holcom-Jackson bus leaves at 8:00, there seems to be some confusion about the departure time.

Sad News

We recently received some very sad news that Dana Hohman, parent of one of our students, passed away unexpectedly a week ago. Her memorial service was held yesterday. We want to support the Hohman family in this difficult time. If you are able to help provide a meal, please sign up for the <u>meal train</u>. We will be providing additional counseling support for students who may be impacted by the loss.

Community Involvement survey

Springwater's mission includes a statement regarding the involvement of every family in the Springwater community. We realize that there are a variety of schedules and expertise among our families. We currently exactly 50% of our families have completed the survey. Please find some time to complete this survey, only one person needs to complete per family. This is a link to the <u>survey</u>.

Parent Council

Our first parent council meeting will be Sept. 26th @ 6:30 at the Wild Hare. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Becky Sharpe or Emily Lewis if you have questions or would like to be added to the parent council email list. parentcouncilchair@springwaterschool.com

Pizza Order Form

Remember to complete this form by Monday to order pizza for Thursday. It was great to see all the kids with reusable plates this week.

Enrichment Help

Are you interested in sharing your time and talents with a small group of students? We are looking for community volunteers to help run Enrichments from 2:30-3:15 on five Fridays this Fall. You pick the activity, age, and size of the group. Staff support will also be provided. Please contact Heidi@springwaterschool.com

Picture day--Sept. 25th

Your child's teacher will be sending home a packet for Picture day this week.

High School Musical at Pioneer Stadium Sept. 21

On OCHS Community Service Committee will be playing the movie High School Musical at Pioneer Stadium at 7:00pm. We are welcoming the whole community to attend this free event we call Movie on the Lawn. We are hoping for no rain that way families and students can bring picnic blankets to watch the movie on the football field, otherwise families can watch the big screen from the covered bleachers.

Eat yogurt at Menchies and support Springwater--Oct. 2rd 5-8 pm

Springwater gets 20% of the sales when we mention Springwater during purchase.

Fall Festival and BINGO

Save the Date for our Fall Festival and BINGO night- October 11th Time TBD Join our Springwater community for an evening of BINGO and Carnival games. Food will be available for purchase. More details to follow soon for this "fun"-draising event!!







