

March 3, 2017

## ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY NEWS

2900 Yew Street Bellingham, WA

360-676-6440

### Important Dates:

**3/7 Class Picture Day**

**3/10 Make up Snow Day 1:15**

**3/14 PTA Meeting 7 pm**

### School Photography Procedures

Something to be aware of to protect our students: If a parent (or anyone) is taking photos of kids at the school, they need the school's permission to do so, and then need to check privacy for school-related publicity if any students are not to be photographed. The same applies for field trips. Below is the link for the 4011 Procedure – Photographing, Recording Students and Sharing Student Information.

<https://bellingshamschools.org/procedures/4011-procedure/>

### Bellingham Public Schools

**Foundation-** We believe the future is brighter when our local public schools have the resources to help all children succeed. Our goal this year is to raise more than \$500,000. A gift to BPSF is a gift to our children, our community and our future. BPSF donations support vital programs and staff that benefit every school. Why will you give? There has never been a better time to invest in public education. This March, please join us by making a gift during our annual appeal. The first \$35,000 raised will be matched by a generous donation from Ram Construction! Your tax deductible donation can be made on-line at:

[www.bellingshamschoolsfoundation.org](http://www.bellingshamschoolsfoundation.org) or by mail at: P.O. Box 1132, Bellingham, WA 98229

### Help Wanted:

Dear Artist,

You may know that our school, Roosevelt Elementary, has in its mission to give each one of our students an art-focused education. We have been working as a staff to increase the time we devote to arts during the day and expose our kids to more varied experiences in the art world. We are writing to you in hopes that you might be willing to team with us to support our vision and our work.

Beginning April 11, we are looking to offer 1 hour arts classes to our intermediate (3-5 grades) students once per week on Tuesday afternoons between 2-3pm. We are hoping to find a teaching artist to team with a Roosevelt teacher/staff member to teach these 4 week courses to a small group of students.

We will be able to provide a small stipend for materials, but are not able to provide any monetary compensation for your time, unfortunately.

If this sounds interesting to you or if you know a fellow artist who might be interested in teaming with Roosevelt, please contact us as soon as you can.

[jennifer.christensen@bellingshamschools.org](mailto:jennifer.christensen@bellingshamschools.org)

### Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration has started. If you have a child who turns 5 by August 31, please stop by the office and pick up a registration packet to register for fall. Please refer your family, friends and neighbors who live within the Roosevelt boundary.



### Cooking with Common Threads

These past months, students have been cooking delicious recipes while learning about agriculture, nutrition, and tool safety. Our first recipe, kale and brown rice salad, involved massaging locally grown kale (some even from our own Roosevelt garden!) and grating apples. Students learned about food groups while brainstorming ideas for creative recipe variations. Next, was our beet hummus recipe, students learned about food processing while creating a beautiful purple hummus from mashed chickpeas and grated beets. Then, while making applesauce, students practiced knife safety skills while exploring spices like cinnamon, nutmeg, cardamom, and ginger. Finally, this month with butternut squash noodles, students are learning to use peelers to make noodles out of the squash while thinking about differences in food culture and food miles.

We hope the cooking curriculum helps encourage creativity in the kitchen and mindful, adventurous eating. It is extremely exciting to see kids getting passionate about preparing and eating healthy foods.

### USED BOOK SALE

Start saving your books for the Used Book Sale- Book collection week will be March 27<sup>th</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>.

### Absences and Tardies:

Please contact the office if your student will be late or absent so we can excuse them. You may call the office at 360-676-6440 or you may email our attendance secretary at [Sylvia.furman@bellingshamschools.org](mailto:Sylvia.furman@bellingshamschools.org) Contact must be made within 48 hours to excuse the absence.

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## Roosevelt Elementary NEWS

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# Roosevelt Elementary Free Parenting Education Classes



We'll discuss raising children guidance/power struggles, nutrition/sleep/routines, self-care, and more...

Instructors: Anne Marie Read and Kristine Smith

### **All classes meet on Mondays, morning and evening**

January 9, 2017 - 8:30 AM & 6:30 PM

February 13, 2017 - 8:30 AM & 6:30 PM

March 6, 2017 - 8:30 AM & 6:30 PM

April 10, 2017 - 8:30 AM & 6:30 PM

May 8, 2017 - 8:30 AM & 6:30 PM

Morning classes: 8:30 – 9:30AM in the staff room.

Evening classes: 6:30 -7:30 PM in the Primary Resource Center (PRC).

**Can attend some or all classes. Refreshments provided. Free childcare provided by the YMCA.**

**All adult caregivers and family members welcome!**

