

October 6, 2017

ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY NEWS

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Important Dates:

9/28- 10/6 Feed the Need Food Drive

10/10 School Pictures

10/13 Jog A Thon-Schedule TBA

10/20 No School Teacher Workday

10/26 Family Fun Night Pumpkin Carving 6 pm – 7:30 pm

PTA NEWS

Three Cheers for Volunteers. Thanks to everyone who came and helped out at the Roosevelt garden work party. Many hands make light work. A special thanks to Aki, Beth, and Jennifer for organizing and all their hours of work in the garden. Thanks to everyone who came out to the first PTA meeting of the year. It was great to see so many new (and returning) folks. Reminder that our next meeting is **Nov. 14 at 7pm** with Dr. Baker coming to update us on district projects. Mark your calendars. Childcare provided for K-5. Now you can support Roosevelt PTA when you shop at Amazon. Follow this link

[<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/91-1109492>] to choose Roosevelt Elementary PTA as your charitable organization. Then remember to always shop at <https://smile.amazon.com>

Roosevelt Jog a Thon

It is that time of year again! The Roosevelt Jog a Thon is Friday October 13th. Information will be coming home in your students' communication folders. Parents are encouraged to help and cheer the children on as they

run.



Harvest of the Month October's Harvest of the Month item is Broccoli and Cauliflower. The Harvest of the Month lunch will be served on **Wednesday, October 25th**.

Feed the Need Food Drive

Thank you for helping make our annual Feed the Need food drive a Success! We hope to meet our goal of 1,000 pounds of food to donate to the Food Bank.

Title I Program Information

Did you know that Roosevelt school is a Title I school? Title I federal funding is allocated to schools based on the amount of students who receive free or reduced school lunches. We are one of six schools in Bellingham that receive this funding. Title I funds at Roosevelt pay for our outstanding K-5 literacy intervention programs to support students who need extra help learning to read and write with proficiency. The salaries of our literacy intervention teachers, Kiersten Barr, Melissa Peterson, and Lisa Aucutt, as well as instructional assistance time from Shelly McKay and Penny Will come from this funding. Our students also receive additional math support from the program Mathletics. This summer, Title I funds paid for a summer reading program, sending books to qualifying students to help them continue their practice reading over the summer. Throughout the year, we use Title I resources to support our school improvement plans. If your child qualifies for or exits from Title I intervention support, our Title I staff send written notification. These programs include small group instruction with programs such as Leveled Literacy Intervention, Read About, and Read 180. If you have any questions about this wonderful program or would like to request a meeting, please call 360-676-6440.

Gardening with Common Threads

This Fall, students in Kindergarten through 5th grade will be exploring the garden and learning about the soil, planting seeds and enjoying the harvest! I invite YOU to volunteer this fall. There are LOTS of ways to get involved. Please let me know if you're interested: rebeca@commonthreadsfarm.org - An extra set of hands during garden lessons or after school work parties can make such a difference (no garden experience required!).

Common Threads Harvest Dinner

This month, please join us for the **8th Annual Harvest Dinner, Thursday, October 26, 5-7pm at Whatcom Middle School Cafeteria**. A seasonal menu will feature foods grown, prepared and served by kids involved in our programs! The whole family will enjoy live entertainment including craft activities, string band music, garden tours, and the Community Food Co-op's Real Food Show! Please visit our website for more info:

<https://commonthreadsfarm.org/events/>

Special thanks to all the Roosevelt kids that worked so hard: **Queen Powell, Maya and Emmi Hoover, Claire Bloom, Lucia Carlson-Prandini, Lucy and Lily Kerlin, Mathilda and Max Glimm, Camden and Adley Chartier.**

Thanks also to **Hardware Sales** donation of over \$200 worth of materials to the garden!



After-School Dinner Program Free for All Students 18 and Under

Bellingham Public Schools currently offers free hot dinner to all children 18 and under in the community. These meals are offered daily Mondays through Thursdays through June 6, 2018. Dinner is served from 5 to 6 p.m. at Shuksan Middle School, located at 2717 Alderwood Avenue (at the corner of Northwest and Alderwood).

Please note: *Accompanying adults are charged \$4. All meals must be eaten onsite in the Shuksan cafeteria and to go options are not available. Dinner will not be served on the following Thursdays that are middle school early dismissal days: Oct. 19, Nov. 2, 9, & 22 (Wed.), Dec. 7, Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, April 26.*

Food Bank Times and Locations

Bellingham Public Schools and the Bellingham Food Bank will continue to offer a school food pantry from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Alderwood Elementary School, located at 3400 Hollywood Avenue. Other food bank locations and times include: Christ the King Community Church, located at 4173 Meridian Street, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday; and Food Bank (main location), 1824 Ellis Street, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mondays, 1 to 6 p.m., Wednesdays, and 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Fridays. All families welcome at any location.

Roots Family Enrichment Program (Parents)

October

2017- December 2017

Popular opinion says that we have to choose between expecting our kids to follow the rules and having a close relationship. We believe you can achieve both. Somewhere in between letting the kids rule the roost and ruling with an iron fist, we discover a balanced design for the parent/child relationship. What parents can expect from the classes:

- *Develop communication skills that build strong family relationships*
- *Learn and Use the behavior management system used with the kids*
- *Ability to help kids manage their own behavior*
- *Connect with other parents and share ideas*
- *Individual/family support such as case management and community resources*

The Roots Kids Program

Support

group for kids that teaches the life skills necessary to understand, talk about, and cope with what is happening in their lives in healthy, positive ways. What kids can expect from Roots participation:

*Learn to manage their own behavior,
A common language that coincides with parent learning
Support system that is consistent*

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Dates and Locations	What's included:	Suggested donation -
Blaine- Wednesdays	Free meal, Parent Enrichment	\$5.00 per class(A \$90
Bellingham- Thursdays	Classes, Children's Program,	weekly value per family!)
Nooksack- Tuesdays	Nursery Care if needed	