



DUNDEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THE DOLPHIN NEWS SPLASH

~Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful~



December 2011

Gratitude
is the best
attitude



Mrs. Crueger's Corner

I am surprised at how the winter season is quickly approaching. I suddenly find myself putting away the lawn mower, unearthing the winter coats and holiday decorations while making plans for joining with family and friends to celebrate the holiday season.

Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.

As we move into the "Holiday Season", I am always amazed at the giving nature of our community to help those in need. This year our school raised 1,304 cans of food in our Civil War Drive to support the YCAP food bank. During these first two weeks of December, we are in the process of collecting books for the "Holiday Book Drive" sponsored by Read for All program. Thank you to our parents, students, and staff for all the support you give not only to Dundee Elementary, but to families in our area.

As the school days get closer to winter break, we strive to keep academic structure and learning in each school day. With all the extra activities and family functions we appreciate parents continuing to support their children in getting them to school on time during this busy season.

So may this holiday season be full of peace and joy for you and your families.

Best wishes,
Mrs. Crueger



December

Dec. 13: Dundee Parent Club 7pm in the library

Dec. 13: Dundee presentation to the Newberg School Board

Dec. 14: Fifth grade car finals 2:00pm in the gym



Dec. 16: WinterFest



Polar Express Reading 9:45 am

Sing-a-Long 10:00 am



Dec. 19 - Jan. 2: **WINTER BREAK - NO SCHOOL**

January

Jan. 2: **NO SCHOOL**

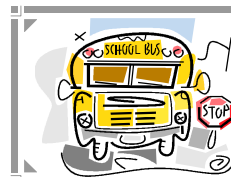


Jan. 10: National Geographic Bee - 1:30 pm in the gym

Jan. 10: Dundee Parent Club - 7:00 pm in the library

Jan. 16: **NO SCHOOL** - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Jan. 21: DUNDEE SCHOOL CARNIVAL



Bus Barn Phone
503-538-8365



Office Line
503-554-4850

Attendance Line
503-554-4897



12,000 Books in 12 Days

Yamhill County Commission on Children and Families is sponsoring a holiday book drive. Between December 1st and December 12th, please donate new or gently used children's books. A collection bin will be available at Dundee Elementary. You can also donate cash and age appropriate books will be purchased for the Book Drive.

For more information, please call (503) 434-7326 or visit www.Reading4All.com.

Civil War Canned Food Drive

Our canned food drive ended just like the game, with the Ducks collecting 686 and the Beavers with 618.

Thank you for your support!!



Dress For The Weather!

Students have outside recess every day. Only when temperatures are extremely cold or when the rain "blows sideways" do we stay inside.

Please send your children to school prepared for the weather of the day.

Please remember..

- * Before and after school is teacher prep time. If you would like to speak with your student's teacher, please contact them to arrange a convenient time. Telephone extensions and e-mail addresses are listed in your Parent/Student Handbook.
- * Contact your student's teacher if you are planning to bring birthday treats. They can give you any pertinent information regarding classroom treats (allergies, number of students, best time of day, etc.).
- * If your student needs to leave early for any reason, please allow a few extra minutes for them to gather their belongings before you need to leave. We do not have students wait in the office for a parent.

Extra Clothes Needed Please

We are in need of pants in the 6-8 size range. We've got lots of 10's and a few 12's, and those come in handy for muddy playground falls. Unfortunately we are completely out of anything (boy or girl) in sizes 6 or 8.



What did the big furry hat say to the warm wooly scarf?



You can hang around while I go on ahead !!

Dial 2-1-1

Connecting You to Resources

- * Health Care
- * Energy Assistance
- * Elder Care
- * Volunteer Options
- * Counseling/Support
- * Employment Resources
- * Emergency Food/Shelter
- * Disability Support/Advocacy

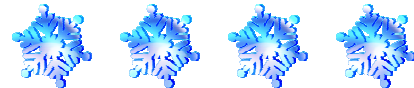


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Inclement Weather—Are You Ready?



It's soon to be that snowy, blowing, flooding time of year. Are you prepared for a school closure? Delay in opening? Or early release? After 5:45 am, watch for TV/radio reports, call the First Student Snow Line at 503-538-5897, the District Closure Information Line (Spanish and English) at 503-554-5001, or check the website at www.newberg.k12.or.us. We will also use the One Call phone system to contact parents again this year.

- Has your family made alternative destination plans?
- Does your child understand what he/she is supposed to do?
- Are your plans reflected on the annual student review?