



The Lion's Roarrrrr

A monthly newsletter from Mabel Rush Elementary

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Dear Mabel Rush Families,

Spring fever has hit and the end of the year rush has begun! This next month is jam-packed with hand-on learning, and field trips to apply learning in the real world outside the classroom.

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Teacher Appreciation Week is next week and our Mabel Rush teachers are outstanding! They put so much time, energy, passion, and thinking into their work! Join me in recognizing them for the tremendous job they do! **You can even nominate teachers for NPS Crystal Apple Awards.** Nomination forms can be found at our school office and on our school website!



Many thanks to the NCC volunteers and staff and parents who helped to plant the garden this past Sunday!

Sincerely,
Lisa Callahan, Principal

May Calendar of Events

2-6	National Teacher Appreciation Week
2	Site Council—3:20pm
6	Parent Coffee with Principal 9:00am
10	4th Grade Music Program 9:00 am
10	PIE Meeting, 7:00pm
18-20	Outdoor School 5th Graders
20	Kindergarten Music Program 1:15pm
30	NO SCHOOL—Memorial Day

June Calendar of Events

3	5th grade Track Meet
6	Site Council—3:20pm
10	5th Grade Music Program 10:15am
14	PIE Meeting 7:00 pm
16	Field Day



Mark Thornburg, Kay Passmore, and Juli Cone are beginning new chapters in their lives as they retire from NPS this year. We owe them much gratitude for their many years of service to the students of our Newberg community. They have left lasting touches on the hearts and minds of so many students, staff and families and they will truly be missed!

OUTDOOR SCHOOL!



May 18-20

The date for 5th Grade Outdoor School is fast approaching! Will your student need to take medicine to Outdoor School? Please plan to have those medications (in the original container,) to the office **by Tuesday, May 17.**

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 2-6, 2016

News in Brief

Spring Attire



Before parents buy new items, please be reminded of the school dress code:

- **Hats** — no hats are allowed, including bandanas
- **Shorts/skirts** — the inseam of shorts must be 4" long. Skirt length should be at least equivalent to short length
- **Midriffs** — clothing which bares the midriff, belly, etc. is not allowed
- **Tank Tops** — Tank tops are fine as long as armholes are cut high and shoulders are 2" wide.
- **Sandals** — For safety reasons we prefer closed-toe shoes. Flip Flops are strongly discouraged because of the many toe injuries at recess that occur when students wear them.



Happy Mother's
Day!
May 8th

FAMILY
BINGO
Night

May 13th
6:00-8:00 pm
Mabel Rush Gym

Class Placement Input 2016-17

Staff will soon work on student placements for 2016-17. Parents may offer written input into the teaching style and classroom environment they seek for their student. To do so parents **must return the parent input form to our office staff by 3:10 PM on Friday, May 13.** Teams will begin placement discussions as early as that afternoon. Late forms will likely not be considered.

We work very hard to balance classrooms in the areas of academic, emotional, behavioral, language, and social needs, parent volunteers, student leadership opportunities, gender, etc. We put a tremendous amount of time and thought into this and must consider the needs of all students in a grade level. Parent input is one of many factors considered when placing children in classrooms.

Classroom placement letters will be sent home with report cards in June.

