

### **Cougar Ridge Elementary PTSA 2.6.8**

#### **Cougar Ridge PTSA Bobcat Blast**

# 11/20/2022

## **Cougar Ridge PTSA Upcoming Events**

**Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00AM** – Please join Principal Terry in the library for a chance to talk with him and other Cougar Ridge parents about topics related to our school and school systems from other countries around the world. Coffee and refreshments will be provided. This meeting will also be available via <u>zoom</u>.

Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> 3:40-4:30PM – Level 1 Chess Club meeting for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade only

Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Spirit Day – Seattle Sports Day

**Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>** – PIE DAY! We are looking to shower our wonderful staff with donated baked or purchased pies to take home and enjoy. Sign up <u>here</u> if there is a pie you could drop off in the morning. The staff will be able to go "PIE SHOPPING" throughout the day and tag the pie they'd like to take home.

Wednesday, November 23rd 1:30-2:20PM – Level 1 Chess Club meeting for Kindergarten and 1st Grade only

Thursday, November 24th – Friday, November 25th – NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break

**Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> – Caring Through Sharing Donation Deadline** – Caring Through Sharing has already collected \$500 towards our \$5,000 goal for the Issaquah Food Bank's Holiday Gift Barn. More details are on the brown gingerbread flyer that came home last week. Gingerbread people are beginning to decorate our Gingerbread Caring Village. If you have not had a chance to participate, please buy one or more \$25 gift cards to stores like Target, Fred Meyer, or Amazon. As an alternative, families can donate through our <u>PTSA website</u>, QR on the flyer. If you have any questions, please contact Jill McClellan.

**Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:30PM** – It's BACK! Bingo night...in person in the MPR! Come and enjoy a wonderful night of pizza, fun, and prizes at our Cougar Ridge Annual Family Bingo Night emceed by our own Principal Terry. It is sure to be a night to remember! Buy your tickets <u>here</u>. In order to place the pizza order, the last day to buy tickets is <u>Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> by noon</u>. No tickets will be sold at the door. Reach out to Amy Finholm with any questions or if you would like to help out. Also, we are looking for someone to chair this event next year and shadow Amy this year. It's a super fun, low commitment event to chair that fosters our incredible community here at CR! Let Amy know if you are interested!

Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> – NO SCHOOL – Parent-Teacher Conferences

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

Volunteers Needed for \*NEW\* Indoor Recess Options – Our administrative staff would like to offer students TWO indoor recess options on M, Tu, Th, and F: In the school library (11:45 am-1pm), and in the portables (2-3pm), for a limited number of students. We are looking for volunteers to help staff the program and supervise during recess time, as well as, looking for donations of K-5 games and building type toys. If you are interested in a weekly volunteer commitment or would like to donate some items, please sign up <u>here</u>. Ms. Miller is also hosting an informational <u>zoom</u> on Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 10am to answer questions of potential volunteers.

### **Other News**

**The Scholastic Book Fair was a HUGE success.** Thank you for shopping and supporting our school library. If you couldn't make it to the Book Fair, then shop at our school's **Online Scholastic Book Fair from November 19<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>.** All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Scholastic will give back 25% in rewards to our school when you shop online during the Fair. To shop online, please click <u>here.</u>

**Cougar Ridge Elementary PTSA is partnering with Smith Brothers Farms to raise money!** – Sign up here for grocery home delivery using our code, CREPTSA, to receive \$15 in FREE GROCERIES and Smith Brothers Farms will donate \$50 to Cougar Ridge Elementary PTSA. Donations accumulate with each new sign-up! Join Smith Brothers Farms today! Smith Brothers Farms, the Puget Sound's homegrown dairy and grocery home delivery brand, is continuing their legacy of partnering with local schools. Donations support local programs, education, and extra-curricular activities in our community.

**Dining for Dollar – We've partnered with <u>Tutta Bella</u> to raise funds for our school.** Dine on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at one of Tutta Bella's restaurants or place an <u>online order</u> for delivery, takeout or curbside and 20% of your order will be donated to Cougar Ridge Elementary PTSA. Use code: EasyAsPieCougar when you check out online or at the restaurant.

**Calling All Mathletes Grade 2-6! – Join us for the 2022 Math Challenge Online Tournament on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022.** Registration is open now and space is limited. Registration closes Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. Our school's 3-digit code is 323. Click <u>here</u> to register.

**Going ice skating at** <u>Bellevue Downtown Park</u>? – Mention Cougar Ridge Elementary upon check-in and \$3 per paid admission will be donated to our PTSA.

#### **Thank You Volunteers!**

For our Monthly Volunteer Recognition, we'd like to give a shout out to the following volunteers. Thanks for all your help!

October Staff Luncheons: Jenny Adlakha, Ellen Kwor, Lana Williams, Thelma Cruz

**Spooky Spaghetti:** Sarah Harris, Dave Johnson and Dad Team, Erica Woods for the Kid Mail contest, Sheetal Chavan and Luciana Ito for help at the door, Natalie Parker for promotions and Eileen Mathews for the QR code and tracking ticket sales. And to all the Trunk or Treat cars for participating: Summer and AJ Taylor, Taryn Richardson, Alba Bautista, Dorothy Davis, Lana Williams, Danielle Kolesnikov, James Byagagaire, Corina Choi, Benny Chow, and Darcie Durr.

**Art Docents:** Claire Toycen, Jennifer Gardner, Magdalena Jedlinski, Natalie Parker, Christine Benedetti, Sarah Quint, Wendy Dubrow, Ellen Kwor, Yumi Suehisa, Sarah Harris, Gayathri Muthukrishnan, Darcie Durr, Thai Douglass, Sarah Hanna, Simran Puri, Benny Chow, Dara Schaffer, Gina Park, Lia Facchine, Dorothy Davis, Tanya Russell, Lesli Sager, Jaime Kord, Catherine Hirschler, Neha Aggarwal, Archana Atallah, Jennifer Adlakha

Picture Retakes: Eileen Mathews, Jill McClellan

Staff Support Liaison: Melissa Hirshberg

Safety Patrol/Crossing Guards: Amy Finholm, Amy Raber, Archana Atallah, Diana Heyd, Jennifer Adlakha, Kim Beaudoin

Nick Ling for creating the Cougar Ridge School directory. Jana Horton for creating guidelines and managing all the room parents. Leslie Kwor for doing the Bobcat Blast every week.

Please visit our <u>homepage</u> for more information on these and other events.

For questions or to submit to the Bobcat Blast, please contact Leslie Kwor.

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