



The Lion's Roarrrrr

A monthly newsletter from Mabel Rush Elementary

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Issue 7

Dear Mabel Rush Parents,

Our 5th grade students will soon be looking at the new opportunities they'll enjoy in middle school next year. MVMS staff will be visiting our school this month to talk with students about AVID opportunities and electives. MVMS is also hosting a Welcome Wildcats Parent Night at MVMS on March 7th at 6 pm.

Our teachers have worked hard all year to provide exceptional instruction to our students!

Starting in April, our students in grades 3-5 will take the Smarter Balanced Math and English Language Arts assessments. These summative assessments consist of two parts: a computer adaptive test and a performance task. Parents can access more information about these assessments using the following website: <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/parents-students/>. Classroom teachers will communicate to parents their children's test dates in April and May.

Balance is important in life and in school. We want to see our students give their best effort with encouragement but not undo stress. Our teachers have worked hard all year to provide exceptional instruction to our students! Mabel Rush students will do just fine as we continue to work towards higher and more challenging state standards in education.

Have a wonderful Spring Break!
Lisa Callahan, Principal

March Calendar of Events

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| 1-4 | Read Across America-Reading celebration events |
| 2 | Spanish Club - 3:15 pm |
| 4 | Parent Coffee with Lisa Callahan—9 am |
| 7 | Site Council —3:20 pm |
| 7 | MVMS Welcome Wildcats Night 6-7:30pm |
| 8 | PIE Meeting—7 pm |
| 9 | Spanish Club—3:15 pm |
| 10 | READY For Kindergarten Parent Workshop 5-7:30pm |
| 12 | Mabel Rush Carnival—Saturday, 4 –7:00pm |
| 16 | Spring Classroom Group Photos |
| | Spanish Club—3:15 pm |
| 18 | 1st Grade Music Program—1:15 pm |
| 21-25 | NO SCHOOL—Spring Break |
| 30 | Spanish Club—3:15 pm |

April

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| 1 | 2nd Grade Music Program—1:15 pm |
| 21 | Kindergarten Enrollment—Newberg School District
Elementary schools—from 3:30 to 6:30 pm |

Kindergarten Registration—April 21



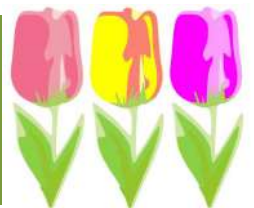
Can you help us find all the five-year-olds in our community? All Newberg School District elementary schools will be enrolling students who turn five by September 1, 2016, in kindergarten. Registration day is Thursday, April, 21st from 3:30-6:30 pm. Watch for more information next month.

Mabel Rush Carnival March 12th!



Be a part of the excitement! Saturday, March 12th from 4-7 pm at Mabel Rush Elementary. Tons of fun games with awesome prizes! You can volunteer too by signing-up at VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/5ipKQn> or find the Volunteer Sign-up info in the school lobby area!

NO SCHOOL
March 21st-25th, 2016
Spring Break



News in Brief

Music Performances



Elementary school music performances will occur during the school day again this year. Parents and family members are invited to come watch the students perform!! Mark your calendar for these upcoming performances!

Friday, March 18th, 1:15 pm
1st Grade Music Program

Friday, April 1, 1:15 pm
2nd Grade Music Program

Tuesday, April 12, 10:15 am
3rd Grade Music Program

Tuesday, May 10th, 9:00 am
4th Grade Music Program

Friday, May 20th , 1:15 pm
Kindergarten Music Program

Friday, June 10th, 10:15 am
5th Grade Music Program



Mabel Rush celebrates reading! The week of March 2-4 we will be saying Happy Birthday to the Cat in the Hat and Dr. Seuss:

Tuesday, March 1st—Hats off to Reading! - Hat Day.

Wednesday, March 2nd—Green Eggs and Ham for Lunch. Special guest reader to share our favorite story about food.

Thursday, March 3rd—Be sure to sign the "Dr. Seuss Reader's Pledge."

Friday, March 4th—The Sleep Book Day. Pajama Day

In addition, we will have a school-wide "name the title" contest. Be sure to study our Dr. Seuss titles! Rules will be explained in Library class.



READY! For Kindergarten

READY! For Kindergarten parent workshops are scheduled for Thursday, March 10th from 6:00-7:30 PM. Parents learn strategies for building skills through play and songs that help support children



ages 3-5 in learning skills that highly successful kindergarten students demonstrate when they begin school.

Each family will leave with learning materials to use at home. Register by calling Zoraida Anaya at 503-554-5100 or by registering online at: www.readyforkindergarten.org/newberg. All classes are held at Mabel Rush, 1441 Deborah Road. Workshops are available in both English and Spanish. **A free family meal is served at 5:15 PM and free childcare is available during the workshops. Come join us for a night of shared learning!**

Battle of the Books Results!

Congratulations to our Mabel Rush Battle of the Books Champion Team.....

Paperback Patrol



Thank you to all the teams for your hard work preparing and quizzing. It was a great battle!

~Book Monsters, Bookalicious, Reading Heroes, Book Busters, Fearless Reading Diamond Rubber Duckies, Left for Reading Marshmallows, The Flying Angels, Book Blazers, #The Royals, Thunder Books, #Winners, The Bookstars, The Red Readers, The Page Rippers, #Brainreaders, Paperback Patrol, Strikers, Team HOME, The Neon Glowing Bookworms, Glitter Glam Girls~



We Love our Classified Staff!



Our Mabel Rush Classified Employees are the hearts that hold us all together. We would not have a wonderful school without them! Please join us during National Classified Employees Week, **March 7-11, 2016** in saying THANK YOU to: Shanna Andres, Judy Carsley, Tammi Chastain, Cheryl Crouser, Shannon DeLong, Jennifer Esmond, Martha Frack, JoAnn Harney, Julie Jackson, Stormy Kalick, Pauline Kleve, Woe Leavitt, Jennifer Marshall, Robyn Matias, Marilyn Mayfield, Lori Meissner, Karrie Mulcahy, Summer Neiss, Lori Peebles, Rhoda Powlison, Lisa Randall, Kathy Roberson, Bev Teal, Denise Torres, Matilde Girod-Thornagle, Brigit Wheelon, and Sarah Whyte.



Please Call Daily
When Your Child Will
Be Absent
503-554-4496



Families can dial 211 to find out about community resources for help with food, clothing, utility bills, and medical needs.

A Corner of Appreciation for....

- Our Mabel Rush Battle of the Books' coaches and volunteers, especially Kim Faucher for coordinating this program for our school!
- Nathaniel Martin for managing our Box Tops Snow Ball Fight!
- The wonderful anonymous person who donated flowers to all Mabel Rush staff members on Valentine's Day!