

Newcastle Elementary PTSA

Parent Teacher Student Association

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Cub News

Upcoming Events

May 20th - May 26th
California Pizza Kitchen
and Barnes & Noble
Fundraiser

Monday, May 21st
7:00pm
PTSA Board Meeting

Monday, May 28th
Memorial Day - No School

Wednesday, May 30th
Deadline to order EPI
School Supply Packs

Thursday, May 31st
7:00pm - 9:00pm
Kindergarten Mom's Night
Out at Vino at the
Landing

Wednesday, June 6th
7:00pm PTSA General
Membership Meeting

Thursday, June 7th
Student Banking

Thursday, June 7th
7:00pm Kindergarten
Musical

Tuesday, June 19th
Last Day of School

Presidents' Note

We would like to take a minute to give a big THANK YOU to two amazing women who have given up many valuable hours to help enrich our children throughout the past couple of months. Stina Fleugge was instrumental in bringing the National Geographic Bee to our school. The kids and teachers alike loved the program and we are thrilled to be able to continue the tradition next year! Danielle Dixon created and executed an amazing and incredibly successful educational Science Fair last Friday. Thank goodness both of these ladies will be at Newcastle for many years to come! If you see them in the halls, please make sure to thank them for all of their hard work.

We want to let you know that we are making some fantastic changes to the PTSA operations beginning in September. In the spirit of going as paperless as possible, we'll have all of our registration material online and we're going to begin offering PayPal for everything from PTSA memberships to yearbooks. We'll have more information for you when school gears back up in the fall.

We also have a few PTSA positions that we still need to fill and we'd love to see some new people bring their perspectives and energy to our organization so that we can continue to do the very best for our kids. If you have a little time and you're interested in any of the following positions, please let us know:

- VP of Programs (not as scary as it sounds!)
- First week of school coordinator
- Corporate Rebates Chair (BoxTops, eScrip, etc...)
- Entertainment Books Sales Chair(s) (September-October)
- Staff Appreciation Chair(s)
- PTSA Membership Chair(s)

We hope you have all been enjoying the spring that has finally arrived!

Kim & Edana

Staff Appreciation Car Wash!

Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers who helped at last Friday's Staff Appreciation Car wash! We washed 21 cars in less than 2 hours ladies! Thank you to: Tiffany Ryan, Stefanie Williamson, Kim Elfstrom, Lisa Vold, Shauna Cour, Michelle Riley and Kelly Hay!

What a fabulous week we had celebrating our fabulous staff here at Newcastle! Thank you to Natalie Roberts our Staff Appreciation chairperson for making everyone feel so special on every day of that week! Great Job, Natalie!

Lani Pedersen
VP/Volunteers

Our Scientists Shone!

Thank you to the following business members for supporting our kids!

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Thank you to all of the students and families who participated in Newcastle Elementary's first ever science fair on Friday May 11! Our student scientists obviously worked very hard on their projects and enjoyed sharing them. Everyone had an opportunity to view more than 120 diverse projects from across the grade levels.

Pacific Science Center's Radical Reactions demonstration was a huge hit, as were the hands-on microscope and wind car exhibits presented by KidsQuest. For those interested in prehistoric times, the Burke Museum's Age of Dinosaurs fossils, claws, and teeth were a special treat.

Many people contributed to making the Science Fair a success. A tremendous thank you to the sixteen local scientists who evaluated the student projects and provided feedback: Mayor Rich Crispo, Deputy Mayor Lisa Jensen, Macaire Ament, Charlie Black, Christine Chapelle, Kurt Fluegge, John Jensen, Milia Kostadinova, Maggie Likes, Michele Maresh, Eric Markell, Sue Mystkowski, Brian Park, Katie Ringwood, Chris Scheckler, and Andy Wand.

Thank you to the teachers who helped inspire and organize this event: Trent Neugebauer, Alaina Barcello, and Melissa Canedy, as well as Liza Rickey for her help behind the scenes. And to the PTSA Co-Vice Presidents of Programs, Rachel Handsman and Georgia Forchuk, for their guidance, creativity and help throughout the process.

In addition to those already mentioned, a fabulous group of volunteers helped ensure the event ran smoothly - developing the science fair website, creating the front entrance display, developing posters announcing the event, soliciting judges, printing certificates and putting together nametags, setting up tables and tri-folds, registering students, assisting with the KidsQuest and Burke Box exhibits, and cleaning up at the end of the evening. Thank you to Stina Fluegge, Kelly Hay, Nami Kusunose, Taneka Ogden, Jacqueline Park, Edana Peacock, Aminta Procel, Luca Procel, Mia Procel, Michelle Riley, Elena Thibeault, Hannah Wand, and Stefanie Williamson.

Newcastle Principal Marla Newton, Cathy Martin, Laurie Holmes and Donna Wood patiently responded to numerous questions; the teaching staff motivated students to participate in the science fair and graciously helped with storing the tri-folds; and school custodian Trisha Kauffman helped with event logistics and clean up.

Finally, this event would not have happened without our student scientists and their families who supported and encouraged them. Let's keep inspiring a passion for science among our kids!

Danielle Dixon
 Science Fair Chair

Order Your EPI School Supply Packs Now!

School Supply Packs are now available to order online until May 30th. It's easy, saves time and avoids shopping hassles in August! Supplies will be waiting in your child's classroom at the Meet Your Teacher event before school starts. All supplies are teacher-approved and custom-packed for each student. Make sure you order the grade your child will be in next year.

Go to www.epipacks.com, and enter our school ID - NEW040

Contact Debbie McAllister, at debbiemcallisternew@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Spring Book Fair FUNdraiser! Mark your calendars for THIS SUNDAY, May 20th!

BARNES & NOBLE
BOOKSELLERS



This year our “Spring into Summer Reading” book fair will not take place at school, but at the Barnes & Noble store in Bellevue. Barnes & Noble is giving us a generous portion of purchases made online and in the store from May 20th - 25th. In conjunction with B&N, the Bellevue California Pizza Kitchen will donate a large percentage of purchases made at their location from May 20th - 26th!

Many Newcastle Staff will be at both locations on Sunday, May 20th to read books, help kids look for great summer reading materials and enjoy delicious CPK food! The reading schedule is below and we hope you can join us!

11:30 ~ Mrs. Newton
1:30 ~ Mrs. Hooke
2:00 ~ Mrs. Tinnea
2:30 ~ Readers’ Theater with Mrs. Goddard,
Ms. McKenzie, Mr. Neugebauer and Mrs. Rickey
3:00 ~ Mrs. Greeniaus and Mrs. Lamprecht
3:30 ~ Mrs. Reimer
4:00 ~ Mrs. Keegan

Remember the FUNdraisers last all week. If you’d like to print out additional flyers or if you’d like to pass them on to a friend outside our school community, you can link to the flyer here: [Barnes & Noble Flyer](#) / [California Pizza Kitchen Flyer](#). *Remember to present the code on the flyer when you’re making your purchases so that we get credit!*

While at CPK, your child can sign up for the CPKids Summer Reading Incentive program! CPK encourages and supports students reading throughout the summer. There are fun prizes available for our Lion Readers!

If you have any questions, please call or email Laura Berry. (berryl@issaquah.wednet.edu or 425-837-5825)

Hope to see you on Sunday, May 20th in Bellevue!

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A percentage of each deal
purchased goes to
Newcastle Elementary

GUITAR LESSONS DEAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

It’s an exciting week for Newcastle Elementary PTSA - an **\$80 deal for two private 50-minute guitar lessons at Daft Digits Guitar Lessons in Seattle (worth \$160)** is available to purchase to help with our fundraising efforts.

To get your hands on this great bargain, go to <http://www.msnooffersforschools.com/WA/Newcastle/> Remember, it’s important to use this web link because it’s how we track the amount of funds raised for Newcastle.

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NEWCASTLE
NEIGHBORHOOD LIFE
3rd Annual
Block Party

JUNE 19TH is the last day of school (for the Issaquah School District).
Let's get together with our friends and neighbors to celebrate!

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm at Lake Boren Park

School is out, HELLO summer!

Featuring:

DJ Brooklyn will be joining us again
for dance/musical entertainment

Bouncy House for the little ones,
sponsored by *Chiropractic Wellness Center*
plus FREE chair massages for the parents

Kim's Tae Kwan Do will host mini
workshops for adults and children

FREE face painting sponsored by
Interiors by Decorating Den

FREE hotdogs grilled by Traeger Master: Gordon McCollon
and Retired Seattle Seahawk Fullback, MACK STRONG

FREE bottled water sponsored by *Dr. Kevin Kay DDS*

A BIG thanks to resident Raymond Woo and AmericanWest Bank for sponsoring this year's venue at Lake Boren Park

SIDE DISHES provided by
Newcastle Residents:

Please bring:

- Salad or side dish (if your first name begins with the letter A-J)
- Dessert (if your first name begins with the letter K-P)
- Fruit or veggie (if your first name begins with the letter Q-Z)
- Lawn chairs or blankets for Picnicking

R.S.V.P. by Friday, June, 8th 2012

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For the Full Calendar and all up-to-date information, please
visit us on the Web! <http://www.newcastleptsa.org>