



A NOTE FROM THE PSO PRESIDENT



Welcome to the 2011-2012 school year! I am excited to fill the role as Mary Woodward's PSO President this year. Please join us for our monthly meetings to share your ideas, thoughts and comments, or feel free to contact me directly at (503) 579-2767 or ym_baker@frontier.com.
~Yvette Baker



EAGLE RUN 2011 MARY WOODWARD JOG-A-THON

The Jog-A-Thon is **Friday, October 7th**. This is one of our school's primary sources of revenue for the year. This money will help support numerous PSO programs including Art Lit, field trips, enrichment programs and various other classroom activities.

Look for the Jog-A-Thon information that will come home with your child Friday, September 23rd. We ask for your support in raising at least \$60 per child. Contacting grandparents, aunts, uncles and neighbors is a great way to raise money for our school. All students have the opportunity to earn Eagle Bucks that can be used at this year's Book Fair to purchase books, posters, school supplies, etc. Each class needs 3-5 parents to help during the class run time. Teachers will have a sign-up sheet available during Back to School Night or you may fill out the Mary Woodward Want-Ads. If you have any questions or would like to help on the day of the event, please contact one of the co-chairs: Jill Weinstein jill_weinstein@frontier.com or Amanda Pileri pileri@frontier.com.

Mark your calendars! Class running times are as follows:

9:00-9:20	All Kinders
9:30-10:00	3rd Grade
10:10-10:40	5th Grade
10:50-11:20	4th Grade
12:10-12:40	1st Grade
12:50-1:20	2nd Grade

PICTURE DAY IS COMING

Tuesday, September 13th



Picture Day is on Tuesday! If you have any questions, please contact Karen Emerson at karenemerson@frontier.com or 503-579-3955.



PSO KICK-OFF MEETING Monday, September 19th 8:30 am in the Cafeteria

Grab a friend and join us for our first PSO meeting of the year. It's open to all Mary Woodward parents, grandparents or guardians. This is a great opportunity to learn more about our parent support organization and learn how your money raised through fundraising efforts will be utilized this year. Also, PSO sponsored events and programs such as the Jog-a-Thon and Staff Appreciation will be discussed. Don't miss this opportunity to meet with other parents and stay informed.

For more information contact PSO President, Yvette Baker at (503) 579-2767 or ym_baker@frontier.com.



Making Our School Better, Together. The Mary Woodward Parent Support Organization (PSO) was established to promote quality education, communication and understanding among the students, parents, faculty and the community of Mary Woodward Elementary School. The PSO sponsors various academic and social programs, coordinates volunteer activity and conducts fundraisers, all in the spirit of providing enrichment for our students and assistance for the work in the classroom. All parents and legal guardians of enrolled Mary Woodward students are invited to participate in the PSO. There is no cost for membership. Meetings are usually held the second Monday of each month from 9-11am in the cafeteria. For more PSO news online, visit www.marywoodwardpso.com.

FUN WAS HAD BY ALL AT THE ICE CREAM SOCIAL

We would like to thank everyone who helped out at the Ice Cream Social this year, especially Dana Henninger, Jenna Smith, Lisa Rice, Tanya Steele, Natasha Ryan, Amy Christianson, Jennifer Feeney, Melissa Petrick and all of the wonderful fifth grade Ambassadors. We couldn't have done it without their help. It was a wonderful way to start off the new school year! Thank you to everybody again and see you all next year for some more fun and of course ice cream!!



- Tracy Wanderscheid & Heidi Clark

BOX TOPS AND LABELS INFO



If you collected any Box Tops and Labels over the summer, please send them in to your child's teacher. Each teacher has a collection envelope in her classroom. Also, if you haven't had a chance to register your grocery loyalty cards, now is the perfect opportunity! Albertsons has just joined the e-Labels program and is offering **100 Bonus Labels** for registering by September 21.

Both the Box Tops and the Labels programs allow us to **double up** on our collections by automatically crediting the PSO account at the time of purchase AND when we submit the clipped Box Tops and Labels. Please grab your grocery cards and register at each of the following websites to earn Box Tops and Labels automatically at checkout:

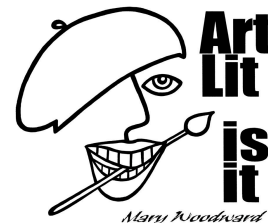
GrowingLocalLearning.com for electronic Box Tops from your Albertsons card

rewardyourschool.com for electronic Box Tops from your Fred Meyer and QFC cards

elabelsforeducation.com for e-Labels from your Safeway, Fred Meyer, QFC, and **Albertsons** cards

Attached to this newsletter are the current Participating Products listings for both the Box Tops and Labels programs. If you have any questions about any of these programs, please contact Karen Emerson at karenemerson@frontier.com or 503-579-3955.

LOOKING FOR A FUN WAY TO GET INVOLVED?



Mary Woodward's Art Literacy program teaches kids how to appreciate art from a wide array of artists. Parent volunteers (just like you!) work within a team to share 6 prepared lessons and art projects with your child's class. No art or teaching experience is necessary! Each artist is introduced to the volunteers during a casual meeting where a complete artist lesson and the project are provided.

The program is run entirely by Mary Woodward parents, and is funded by the Parent Support Organization. In order to have a successful program, we need your help!

Some of the reasons our volunteers love this program:

- It's a great way to get to know the children and parents of your child's class
- The schedule is determined at the beginning of the year
- Volunteers have an opportunity to learn along with the kids
- It's FUN!

Look for signups at Back to School night! If you have any questions, please contact the Art Lit coordinators, Cami Bunnell, Margie Wargo, and Jenna Smith, at artlitchairs@gmail.com.



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Watch for volunteer opportunities!

THANK YOU! We have received tremendous support for several of our upcoming events, but we still need you. We have many committees that will need help during the year and we are still looking for a Committee Chair or Co-Chairs for the following events:

Spring Fundraiser
Staff Appreciation

So, please take a look at where you might be able to help. These are some of the most rewarding times with your child or children. Thank you for your time! If you would like more information or are new to the school, please feel free to contact Deborah Anderson at debandersonus@yahoo.com or 503-524-5741.