



October 26, 2009

REMINDER.....

Every Thursday, school begins at 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast begins at 9 a.m.



Daylight Savings Time—November 1st

Remember to turn your clocks back one hour.

Veterans' Day Assembly

On **Friday, November 6th** Lidgerwood students and staff will honor the Veterans of the United States of America at an all school assembly at **2:00pm** in the MPR (cafeteria). We know that many of our children are very proud of members of their family who have served in the Armed Forces. We want to invite these men and women to be our guests at this assembly. During the assembly we will ask our guests to share their name and branch of service with the audience. We hope our local veterans can join us for this afternoon full of music and celebration in honor of our national heroes.

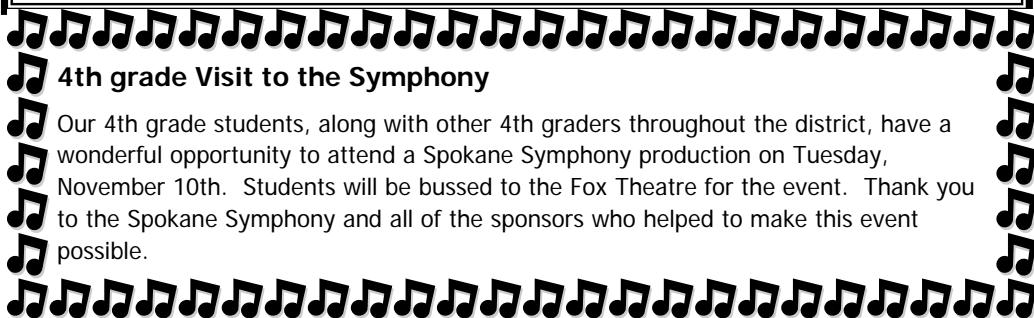
Dates to Remember:

- *Daylight Savings time, Nov. 1st*
- *PAWS Food Drive, Nov. 2-Nov. 13*
- *Veterans' Day Assembly, Nov. 6, 2:00pm*
- *Picture Retakes, Nov. 9*
- *4th grade to Symphony, Nov. 10*

PAWS FOOD DRIVE

Our annual PAWS food drive will begin Monday, November 2nd and end Friday, November 13th. All donations will be given to the Second Harvest Food Bank. The most needed donations are:

- Protein—peanut butter, canned meat & tuna, soups, boxed dinners, beans
 - Fruits & vegetables—canned fruits & vegetables, canned or boxed juices (100% juice), dried fruit
 - Grains—pasta, rice, cereals (low sugar & fat), oatmeal
- PLEASE NO GLASS CONTAINERS.



4th grade Visit to the Symphony

Our 4th grade students, along with other 4th graders throughout the district, have a wonderful opportunity to attend a Spokane Symphony production on Tuesday, November 10th. Students will be bussed to the Fox Theatre for the event. Thank you to the Spokane Symphony and all of the sponsors who helped to make this event possible.

PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY—MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Individual picture retake day will be Monday, November 9th. All picture orders **must be paid at the time the pictures are taken**. We are not allowed to take any late orders. Please enclose a check or the **exact** amount of cash in the picture envelope, as neither the photographer or the office will be able to make change. Picture packages are \$7.00, \$10.00 and \$12.00. You may add to any package for \$4.00.

Pictures will begin at 10:00 a.m. If you need a picture envelope, please pick one up in the office. For a retake photo, you must return the ENTIRE picture packet to the photographer.

Thank You Spokane

Thanks to Spokane voters' passage of the 2003 and 2009 bonds, every school has received upgrades to school facilities, technology and security systems. Recently, every school received a new office printer/copier/scanner, which is not only quicker, but cuts per-copy costs by 35 percent. Lidgerwood also received four desktop computers, with more to come over the next six years.

Elementary Art Teachers Honored

The Spokane Arts Commission held the 18th annual City of Spokane Arts awards, on Monday, October 5th at the Spokane City Council meeting. This event coincided with the celebration of National Arts and Humanities' month. The 2009 "Arts in Education" award was presented to the nine Spokane Public Schools Elementary Art teachers who travel to all 35 public schools and provide art instruction to all 4th through 6th grade students. In addition to teaching our kids, these teachers provide students art displays at our district administration building, the Spokane Airport, Spokane libraries and at Spokane's Sister city in Japan. Mrs. Jagoda is our specialist at Lidgerwood. We congratulate all of the elementary specialists, and Mrs. Jagoda, for their commitment to education and the arts.

Updating HS math materials: We want you!

Spokane Public Schools is spending the next few months considering the options for updating the high school mathematics materials for Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II. This work is based on the recently adopted standards approved by the state of Washington in July of 2008.

Public forums will be held Nov. 10 at the North Central HS library from 6-7 p.m. and Nov. 12 at Lewis and Clark HS (rooms 131-132) from 6-7 p.m. The purpose of these forums will be to provide the opportunity for a brief update on the adoption process and for parents and community members to provide input on their priorities with respect to high school mathematics materials. Additional forums will be held in late January or early February.

For more information, visit spokaneschools.org or contact Bridget Lewis, executive director of Instructional Programs, at bridgetl@spokaneschools.org, Rick Biggerstaff, coordinator of Secondary Mathematics, at rickerb@spokaneschools.org, or call 354-5900.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

Fall is upon us and winter is coming. Even though the afternoons are mild, the mornings have been quite chilly. Remember that students line up before school and go outside of recess. The fresh air and exercise are a vital part of a child's day. Please ensure that your child is coming to school dressed for the weather.

News from the Library!

Did you know that students can access our school library catalog from home? Destiny, a school community-wide library browser, is our new Web-based program that can be accessed from any Internet connected computer.

Here's what you do:

Go to the Spokane Public School web site, www.spokaneschools.org, and then click on-



Students

Research

Destiny

Lidgerwood Elementary

At the Catalog and Library Search page you will be able to search for books by Title, Author, Keyword, Subject, or Series. You can also check for award winning books.

When you go to the library webpage you can click on the "Destiny Quest" link. This will take you to a new searching tool, which is more user friendly for "Digital Natives". (A Digital Native is someone who has grown up with computers!)

In Destiny Quest, students can easily browse to find...

The most popular books in their library

New books recently added

"Resource Lists" provided by their librarian or teacher

The library shelves from the comfort of home!

With your school library catalog now being on-line you can help your child select books that are at the appropriate reading level and be involved with their reading. Please contact Brigid Rau, teacher-librarian, for more information @ brighidr@spokaneschools.org or 354-3247.



CLASSROOM CELEBRATIONS

With Halloween quickly approaching, we wanted to be sure our families know that our students do not wear costumes or celebrate Halloween at school. Our classroom teachers set up celebrations centered around their grade level curriculum.

This Week's Students of Character are:

Chalee Moua	Ryan Woods	Kyle Dokken
Megan Smith	Dazee McDowell	Aryona Shapoval
Israel Tesch	Delaina Duran	Anita Visnaw
Marquita Christian		Shayleen Blakely
Johnny Eisenman		