

What's Up at Washington

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March 11, 2010

Calendar

Friday, March 12
**Terrific Kids /Mini Marathon
Kickoff Assembly**

End of 9 wks

Saturday, March 13
**New Playground
Installation 8am-8pm**

March 15-19

Spring Break

Monday, March 22
**NO SCHOOL
Professional Day**

Friday, March 26
Bingo Night 6 pm

**Deadline for PTA Officer
Nominations**

Thursday, April 1
**Rock Around the World
Culture Fair 6-7 pm**

Friday, April 2
**Final Mile Celebration
(Mini Marathon)**

Thursday, April 8
**PTA Board Meeting
6:30 pm**

Tuesday, April 13
**PTA General Meeting
Officer Elections 6:30 pm**

Friday, May 7
Spring Pictures

Monday, May 10
PTA Board Meeting

Our New Playground is Here!

Installation is scheduled for **this Saturday, March 13th** from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm (weather permitting). We need 10 strong volunteers to help (especially dads!) from **8 am- 2 pm** and 10 more from **2- 8 pm**. Lunch and dinner will be provided for the volunteers! Please contact **DeShanna Wolking- 801-2313, or deshannawolking@hotmail.com**, if you can help! **Check the PTA website Friday for possible cancellation due to weather or wet ground. Come join us in seeing this goal to completion!**



2010-2011 PTA Nominations

Don't miss your chance to serve as an officer or grade representative during the **2010-2011** school year! Involvement as a PTA board member is a great way to use your talents and energy to benefit your children and Washington Elementary. Please contact **Libby Hatter, lah1125@cox.net or 496-4754**, with questions or nominations (including self-nomination!) for any of the offices or grade representative positions, before the **March 26th** deadline.

We Need Your Help for Bingo Night!

Our 2nd Annual Bingo Night is coming up fast- **Friday, March 26th!** We are in **desperate need of prizes (especially for kids) and/or monetary donations.** If you can help us with contacts or solicitations please contact **Andi Wade at 550-7986 or andiwade001@gmail.com.**

Congratulations to the 4th grade for a great performance Tuesday night! Their "A Salute to Rock" recorder program was certainly something to be proud of!



Kids Memorial Marathon

Only 44 days until the Oklahoma City Kids' Memorial Marathon! Please remember to email Miss O'Hagan (kohagan@norman.k12.ok.us) when you have registered so she can keep track of the mileage for each participant. It is a life changing experience for both kids and adults. **There will also be a Mini-Marathon Kick-Off assembly tomorrow at 1:45- we would love to have you!** Hope to see you there and remember to log those miles over Spring Break!

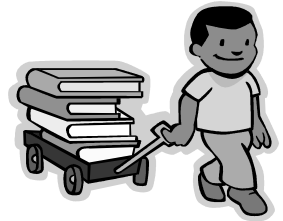
"Ask yourself: 'Can I give more?' The answer is usually: 'Yes!'"

-Paul Tergat, Kenyan professional marathoner

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Raise a Reader School Challenge

The Raise a Reader program allows our students to log their reading minutes as they read books throughout the spring. The contest will track which schools have the most logged minutes per student - **one winning school will receive a \$5,000 library grant!** The free program includes a personalized school page where our students and parents can watch Washington's progress. Online spelling games and worksheets keep it fun, and there are recommended books for every age level. Plus, students who log at least 60 minutes of reading each week will be entered for individual prizes. **Students can register to read (log their minutes) with Washington school beginning March 8 by going to www.parents.com/reading/georgewashingtonelementarynorok.**



20th Birthday Party a Success

A great time was had by all at our 20th Birthday ceremony. The assembly was entertaining, and we had over 80 signatures in our guest book for the evening ceremony! Many former teachers were there, as well as **Representative Wallace Collins**. It is safe to say that many people are proud of Washington Eagles, even when they leave our halls. **"Well done!"** to the 20th Birthday Committee, who put it all together! The committee included: **Mrs. Caldwell** (Chairperson), **Mrs. York**, **Mrs. Aragon**, **Mrs. Fain**, **Mrs. Robinson**, **Mrs. Etter**, **Mrs. Davis**, **Ms. Sudbury**, **Mrs. Bui** and **Mrs. Redwine**. We would like to thank **Sam's Club** for donating the cakes, **Brian Martin "The Cookie Man"**, for donating the cookies, the **fifth grade teacher wax museum participants**, and **Ms. Koerner** and **Mrs. Massey** for their help baking. It was a lovely evening!

Box Tops Update

We've deposited \$491.00 this year from Box Tops, and are awaiting checks totaling \$1137.10 more. That's a grand total so far of \$1628.10 for this year! Way to go Washington!

***Please contact Shannon Richards @ 701-0089 if you sorted over 900 box tops and placed them in mailing envelopes and/ or if you placed over 200 box tops in an OK RUNNER bag! This will help to finalize class totals so we can announce the class that collected the most Box Tops. Keep clipping those Box Tops for next year!

Did You Know...

- The **Rocking Around the World Multi-Cultural Night** is scheduled for Thursday, **April 1** from 6-7 pm. We need a few more presenters. Please contact **Mrs. Falsarella** at ca-rellf@norman.k12.ok.us with questions or to sign up.
- Kindergarten teacher Beth York saves **Campbell's Soup labels**. Please clip yours and send them to school for her!
- The **Spring t-shirts** have been ordered, and are expected to be delivered to you no later than **April 2**. We'll keep you posted!
- **Car-riders must be picked up after school by 2:55 pm!**

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