



H.D. Thoreau Elementary PTA FROG NEWS



October 1, 2013

PTA Budget Snapshot:

The Thoreau PTA plans, funds, and implements many projects throughout the year to benefit our school and the education of our children. From art supplies, Vision & Hearing Screening, and student assemblies to field trips and the school carnival - it all happens through the PTA! Be sure to come join us at the PTA General Meeting (October 10th 6:30- 8:30 – in the school library) for more Budget information.

- **Music**

Our music teacher, Mrs. Frank, has been working hard to gather Orff instruments for our school music program! Orff instruments add so much to the curriculum and if well treated, they last forever. She has refurbished instruments that were broken or missing parts, worked to find grant money and asked for help from the PTA so that music classes can have enough instruments for students to learn.

September PTA funds toward music: \$438



- **Ice Cream Social/First Day “Welcome Back” Coffee and Donuts**

We are grateful for local businesses whose generous donations helped the PTA keep costs low as we welcomed Thoreau families back to school with FREE events.

Many thanks to: Inglewood QFC, Fred Meyer, Starbucks, Party For Less, and Brandon Owings Balloon Creations (425-879-9126)

For **BOTH** events the PTA served families:

- More than 435 Ice Cream Sundaes
- 22 gallons of ice cream (including dairy free options)
- 5 gallons of coffee
- 6 dozen donuts, scones and gluten free options

PTA funds spent: \$284 (\$216 under budget)



Orange Ruler Fun Run Oct 3rd!!

1:00 - 3:15 pm

Events YOU should know about:

YOUTH CYBER SAFETY & RISKS of SOCIAL MEDIA

Presentation by Charles Leitch

Dates:

October 3 - Alcott Elementary (Redmond)

October 17 - Peter Kirk Elementary (Kirkland)

October 24 - Redmond Elementary (Redmond)

Presentations are free of charge and held from 7-9pm, including a 30 minute Q & A. Parents are welcome to attend any of the presentations.

[LWPTSA Council and LWSD Sponsor a Program for Elementary Parents](#)

Message from the PTA Board:

Dear Parents,

One of our goals this year is to increase communication with our community and insure that we provide the events and opportunities that are most meaningful to you. To help ensure these efforts, we will be emailing a survey to each of you. This survey will ask your opinion on the best way to communicate information to you, existing events and fundraisers, and new ideas for fundraising. As a board, we want to let our entire community have a voice in our decision making. We look forward to working with you!

Entertainment Books!

We will be selling books to benefit our school again this year. Please be on the lookout early October for ordering information.

**** To join the PTA you can stop by the school office, PTA office, or contact any of the members listed in the newsletter.**