



Byrom Buzz

The Byrom Newsletter

Nov 20, 2009

From the Principal

Dear Byrom Families:

Our systems for arrival and dismissal have produced smooth and safe transitions for our students and families. Still, arrival and dismissal will continue to be a 'work in progress', with a need for improvements and reminders. Here are a few items to consider:

Morning Arrival

If you are dropping off your child by private vehicle:

* Please try to drop off your children before 8:10 am. As the rainy season arrives, more and more families are driving their children to school. Right now, the vast majority of our vehicles are arriving past 8:10 am, creating quite a log-jam due to trying to move hundreds of vehicles through in such a small window of time.

* Please use the drop-off lane for this purpose. We still have a few parents who drop off their children at the north end of the parking lot, then back their cars out of the parking lot. This is not only unsafe, it is unfair to the parents who are following the rules and procedures.

Dismissal

* The south end of the school has an area designated for Daycare Vans. There is a sign that says "For Day Care Vans", and only these vehicles are allowed to use this space between 2pm-3pm.

* If you are picking up your child by vehicle, you will need to park your vehicle, get out of the vehicle, and come into the cafeteria to get your child. We still have a few parents who idle their cars, and wait in their cars for their children. This practice is not only unsafe, it is unfair to the vast majority of parents who follow the rules.

* Byrom's dismissal process is actually very efficient. Our process starts at 2:20pm, buses typically leave by 2:30pm, and all students are on their way home by 2:35pm. If everyone follows the procedures, we are able to get over 630 students safely on their way home within a fifteen minute time frame.

Summary: I want to thank all the staff members and parents who continue to help us improve our arrival and dismissal procedures. I believe the most important aspect to remember is that these transitions are processes, not events. Processes do take a certain amount of time, and do not happen instantaneously. Still, with planning, patience, cooperation, and with a spirit of collective care for all children, we can assure that our students will be safe as they come and go to school.

Thank you,

Mr. Fraisse

Scrip for Holidays!!!

Does your company give their employee's gift cards for the holidays? Then why not use Scrip? Not only are you gift giving to your employees, you are also giving back to Byrom AND your child's classroom gets 25% of the profit. If we do not have a dollar denomination that you are looking for, please contact me so that I can check to see if your needs can be accommodated. Everyone benefits from using Scrip!! Please make sure to use the 11/09 revised order forms available online at <http://www.ttsd.k12.or.us/byrom-elementary> and click on the Scrip Order Form link. You can also find any program updates on the website as well.

Please consider using Scrip to fulfill your company gift giving. If you have any questions about Scrip please don't hesitate to e-mail gladysjsantos@gmail.com



District Budget Discussion

Supt. Rob Saxton will discuss revenue changes that could affect the Tigard-Tualatin School District's current budget as well as its budget for 2010-11. He will explain how the January 19 income tax measure vote could change the district's budget. He will also discuss the potential impact of revenue

forecasts that differ from those projected by the Legislature when it approved the state's K-12 education budget earlier this spring.

The meeting will be held Monday, Nov. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hazelbrook Middle School Commons, 11300 SW Hazelbrook Rd. Tualatin.

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Upcoming Events

- Nov 26 Thanksgiving No School
- Nov 27 No School
- Dec 4 Book Fair 5:00-8:00
Movie Night 6:30 p.m.
- Dec 14 Jump Rope Assembly
- Dec 15 3rd Grade Music Program
7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria
- Dec 16 PSO meeting in the library
6:30 p.m.
- Dec 17 Byrom Choir concert
7:00 p.m.
- Dec 18 Holiday Sing-A-Long
9:00 a.m. in the cafeteria

Fechas Importantes

- 26 de noviembre Acción de gracias no hay clases
 - 27 de noviembre no hay clases
 - 4 de diciembre Feria de libros
5:00-8:00
 - Noche de Película 6:30 de la tarde.
 - 14 de diciembre Asamblea de la cuerda de brincar
 - 15 de diciembre 7:00 Programa de musica del 3r grado en la cafetereria
 - 16 de diciembre Junta de PSO en la biblioteca a las 6:30 de la tarde.
 - 17 de diciembre concierto de coro de Byrom ay las 7:00 de la tarde
 - 18 de diciembre canticos de dias festivos en la ay las 9:00 de la mañana
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Byrom's Christmas Book Fair!

Books make the absolute best presents! Preview week, for the students will be November 30th to December 4th. Sales week is December 7 – December 11. Hours will be:
7:50-8:20 a.m.
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
2:10-3:30 p.m.

The fair will also be open Friday evening, December 4th for family night, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.which leads to:

Byrom's Family Fun Night!!!

In conjunction with Mr. Achilles Book Fair, Byrom's PSO will be hosting a Family Night Dec 4th. Come and watch "Up" with your friends—6:00 p.m in the cafeteria!

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PS...don't forget the ongoing socks/underwear drive, for the Tigard Tualatin School District Caring Closet. The drive continues until November 30th.