



Byrom Buzz

The Byrom Newsletter

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If your child should be absent or late, please call our ATTENDANCE LINE (503) 431-4320

November 19, 2010

Dear Byrom Students and Families,

It's great to be back at work. I was absent for two weeks to help with a family situation, and I appreciate all the support I was provided during my leave of absence. There are so many people to thank for helping out during this period, including the following:

- Mr. Pete Miller: Mr. Miller served as our 'guest' Principal, and he did a terrific job supporting our students, families, and staff. I heard numerous positive comments about his work at our school, and our students noticed and appreciated his extra attention to their needs and concerns. As Mr. Miller's left on Friday, November 5th, his last words to me were "Mr. Fraise, you have a fantastic school, with wonderful students, dedicated teachers, and supportive parents. I'd love to come back anytime to help should the need arise." I agree with Mr. Miller's comments, and continue to believe I have the best job in the entire school district.
- Rob Saxton (Superintendent) and Dan Goldman (Elementary Principal Director): I greatly value the support provided me and our school by Mr. Saxton and Mr. Goldman. I am especially appreciative of their willingness to hire Mr. Miller to serve during my absence. By doing so, I was able to concentrate on helping my family, knowing that my school was being well-served at all times.
- Byrom Secretaries & Counselor: Bev Farnsworth is our lead secretary, and she put in lots of extra hours communicating with me during my absence. Linda Dyer and Esmeralda Keymolen, our other secretaries, also put forth extra effort to keep things running smoothly. Mrs. Nicoli, our school counselor, stepped up to provide all the support our students needed during my absence.
- Byrom Teachers, Instructional Assistants, Support Staff: Most importantly, student learning continued moving forward at all times. Our instructional staff kept the focus of attention on helping students succeed. Also, all systems in our building kept functioning at a high level, from our custodial service, to our food services, to our lunch/recess supervisors.
- Byrom Students & Families: Throughout my absence, I received tremendous support and encouragement from all students and families. Most importantly, our students did what I asked them to do; namely, to come to school every day, work hard, learn a lot, and help Mr. Miller serve as our guest Principal. I was pleased, but not surprised, to see your children keep moving forward in all ways. I was very proud of our students, and I want you to know how much their support — and your support, meant to me.

I look forward to the rest of this school year. Now, back to work!

Sincerely, Mr. Fraise

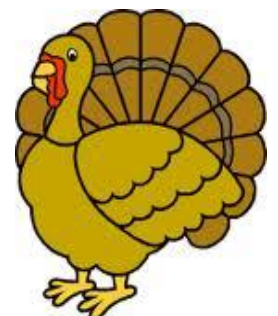
Announcing!
"The Joy of December!"
Presented by:
The Byrom First Grade
Classes

When? Thursday,
December 2, 2010
Where? The Byrom
Cafeteria
Time? 7:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendars now for this special evening! Students will go to their classrooms at 6:40 p.m.

The Byrom Holiday Choir will be caroling as you enter to sit down. The evening will truly bring you joy!

Please call Mrs. McClellan at 503-431-4346 if you know your student will not be able to attend.



Green Team Glimpse

Byrom's Green Team is on the move! This fall 83 children from the 4th and 5th grades joined the Team. Outside of classroom time, students participate in one of 4 sub-committees:

*Litter Patrol—22 students volunteered to walk the grounds once per week to help pick up litter. Thanks to parent volunteers, Rene Bachman and Jenelle Clinton for supervising this activity.

*Special Events—17 students will help increase recycling awareness and reuse. You may remember their Reusable School Supplies collection event last May. Check out their colorful posters and lobby display the week of November 15th. Kathryn Hawkins and Erin Mueller are our parent volunteers for this group.

*Classroom Recycling—27 students from our 5th grade are divided into 6 routes to empty recycling bins and tidy our dumpster area. Mrs. Wissmiller is our recycling leader.

* Speaking & Writing Team—17 students will visit classrooms to present which items can be recycled at school and discuss contamination. They will also encourage energy conservation and write "Green Team says..." tips for the announcements. Kati Neville is the parent volunteer for this group.

Questions about Green Team can be directed to Kati Neville at 503-329-5968 or Danielle Wissmiller at 503-431-4335.

Green Team Q&A:

Q: I missed the flier and application/interest survey that went home about Green Team. How can I get my child involved now?

A: Green Team is an extra-curricular, voluntary service activity for 4th and 5th grade students at Byrom. All students who apply are invited to participate. The next term begins in February. Look for application/interest surveys in backpacks shortly after winter break.

The Caring Closet is in desperate need of the following:

blankets - queen and twin
jeans - boys and girls
tops - boys and girls

They need sizes for kids from kindergarten all the way through high school, but especially size 7 pants. They also need toothpaste (non-whitening) and toothbrushes.

HOW TO CONTACT US

phone: 503.603.1576 **fax:** 503.603.1578

office hours: Wednesday and Thursday 10am-4pm

online: <http://www.foundation4smarkids.org/caring>

address: 9000 SW Durham Road

(We are in a portable at THS between the school and the pool).



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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 25th, 26th – **NO SCHOOL** –

Thanksgiving Holiday

December 2nd – 1st Grade Program 8:45am &
7:00pm- Cafeteria

December 3rd – Byrom Choir Performance 7:15 pm
Tualatin Tree Lighting at Tualatin
Commons

December 13th – Byrom Choir Concert 7:00 pm-
Library

Interested in skiing or snowboarding?

Join the Tigard-Tualatin Snoblasters Ski Bus for fun and fitness on the slopes of Mt. Hood Meadows! The day consists of a round trip ride on a teacher/parent chaperoned motor coach-style bus and 4 hours of lessons with Mt. Hood Meadows instructors (with a lunch break in the middle). All skill levels are welcome. Teachers and parents from the community have been organizing and chaperoning the ski bus since 1995. The four fun-filled Sundays are happening this February! Sign up early for the lowest cost. For more information or to sign up call Lisa Tilney Helm at 503-781-5272 or email ltilney@hotmail.com.

Tualatin City Little League Softball is excited to announce that **registration for the 2011 season will begin on December 1st**. We offer T-Ball and Recreational teams for Girls ages 4-14, and after the season participate in competitive All Star tournaments for girls ages 9-14. For more information please visit our website at www.tualatinCITYsoftball.com or contact the registrar (playeragent.tcll@gmail.com). We are the longest running youth sports organization in Tualatin, community based, and run completely by volunteers. We strive to offer the best experience possible for all the kids, by emphasizing skill development through good coaching, professional clinics, balanced teams, and equal playing time. Every player in our program is important to us, and we strive to create a positive environment to teach the values of teamwork and fair play that transcend athletics.

****SCRIP — Does your office give out gift cards for the holidays? If so, ordering through the scrip program is a quick easy way to get all your gift cards, while making money for Byrom.****

Byrom Parking Lot Reminders

Our parking lot is **ONE WAY** ENTERING on 91st Avenue and EXITING onto Osage Street.

- Please use the **'drop off' lane** (right lane) if you drive your child to school, and drop them off in the parking lot.
- Please use the **'drive-thru' lane** (left lane) if you plan to park your car in the parking lot.
- Please **DO NOT** drop off your child at the entry-way to the school (on 91st Avenue), and then do a U-turn out the north end of the parking lot. This is **unsafe** and creates traffic congestion.
- Please **DO NOT** use the bus lanes (marked in red) to drop off your child in the morning. The bus lanes are for buses.

Thank you for helping us continue to provide a safe arrival process for all students. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!