

# Tualatin Telegraph

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September 16, 2011

## From the Principal's Office:

We are off to a great start this school year. The first week was very successful with staff teaching students what to expect each day at Tualatin Elementary. We started with an assembly on the first day. We sang the school song as a school, and shared reminders about how to be SAFE, KIND and RESPONSIBLE in all areas around school. Students also learned how we are starting the year paying tribute to our outgoing mascot the Panther, then finishing the year as the BLACK BEARS! Our official mascot change-over date is set to take place on the anniversary of the bear's visit to Tualatin Elementary on June 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be more news about this important date in upcoming newsletters.

Last week our teachers continued work with our Time To Teach curriculum. This work supports our efforts to maintain a positive school climate. All students will be taught expected behaviors over the first few weeks of school. Students will be positively recognized throughout the school for meeting behavior expectations. We want all of our students to feel safe and comfortable at school so they are able to reach their full potential as learners. Teachers also received training for our science curriculum. The new science curriculum includes hands-on lessons and digital versions of each lesson that can be accessed in school and at home. More information will be shared during our Back-to-School Night on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

We are very thankful for the time and work Paul Taylor and several families have put into taking care of our garden over the summer. Mr. Taylor also had several youth groups come to work in our garden. All the time and effort really shows with how beautiful the garden looks. We know that the students, staff and families of Tualatin Elementary will continue to learn about and enjoy the garden this year. Thank you again to Paul Taylor and the Goodells, Atkinsons, Carvers, Brattons, Adams, Fengers, Steppes, Buelnas, Popmas, Goodhues, Brodins, Armstrongs, Grimes, Wheatcrofts, Swarners, McClungs, Wallaces, Haas families and the Growing with Pride Camp – as well as others. We will be excited to see how our garden will continue to grow this year.

Personally, I am looking forward to getting to know you all throughout the school year. It has been exciting to see how well Tualatin Elementary staff members and families work together. It is easy to see why our school has such a strong reputation for supporting the learning of all of our students.

Sincerely,

**-Mr. Jamie Kingery**

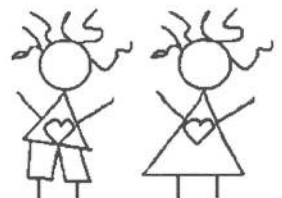
## DROP OFF SYSTEM

Here is our parent drop off and pick up system if you drive your students to school. **When you drop off and pick up your students in front of the school PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR UNATTENDED. Please stay in your car along the fire lane curb and pull forward as space allows.** In the morning a teacher will be on duty to greet your child. In the afternoon teachers will let your child know that you are there to pick them up. We have sent home window name cards that you hold up in your car window to let us know quickly who you are picking up. When your child is safely in the car, please pull out of line and leave the parking lot. This is a safe and effective option for getting students transported to and from school. You are welcome to drop your student off any time after 8:00 a.m. in the morning. We do not have adult supervision for students who arrive at school before that time. Thank you for your understanding.



## TEAF Starting Soon

Our fall TEAF term will begin the week of 10/24 and runs through the week of 12/12. We are looking for parent helpers – computer teachers, homework helpers, board games, etc!! Mrs. Haag is available to hear creative ideas at 503.431.4804. Thanks!!



## PE NEWS FROM MR. HILL

Hi, I am the PE teacher here at Tualatin Elementary and I would like to welcome your students back to school! Please note this friendly reminder about the proper footwear and dress for PE. Please have your students wear closed toe shoes and NO boots (the boots were way too slippery on the gym surface and a major safety hazard). Also, have your students drink plenty of water during the week. Thanks in advance for your support.

This year is going to be fun and exciting for our students and I plan to update a blog about our activities at the school. This can be found at: <http://pantherpenews.blogspot.com/>. Hope you had a great summer and looking forward to helping your students stay fit and active this school year.

-Mr. Hill

## Mrs. Myers' Music Notes

In August, twenty-two students from the Tualatin Elementary Ukestra performed in front of the Tigard-Tualatin staff and received a standing ovation from the roughly 800 audience members. The Ukestra gave an outstanding performance and their dedication inspired many. Thank-you Ukestra members:

Abby Borg  
Hannah Fry  
Emma Koehmstedt  
Aden Lynch  
Destanie Patton  
Elise Popma  
Whitney Russell  
Heidi Williams  
Paige Lester  
Jenifer Pascual  
Mason Springer  
Mikah Springer\*  
Cassidy Carter\*  
Claire Davidson\*  
Krystall Hall\*  
Haley Patton\*  
Alaina Johnson\*  
Maija Girardi\*  
Shelby Hansen\*  
Katie Richardson\*  
Sophie Searle\*  
Meghan Tyler\*

\* = Current 6<sup>th</sup> grade students



## Cool News from Title 1

Calling all volunteers! Our math and reading interventions programs are looking for people who are willing to help give students extra practice in a one-to-one setting. For our math interventions, we use an individualized program called Carnine to help students increase fluency and confidence with their math facts. Carnine introduces only four new facts per session, and does not require any detailed instruction on the part of volunteers. Ideally, we would like to see our Carnine groups receive at least two sessions per week. For our reading interventions, we use a one-on-one reading fluency program called Read Naturally. Ideally, we would like to see our Read Naturally groups receive one to two sessions per week. Volunteers need not be "experts" in math or reading to help with our programs; we will provide the training necessary to work with our students!

If you are willing to volunteer 30-60 minutes of your time each week and would be willing to come in for a short "training" and informational meeting, please contact Caitlyn Tucker at 503-431-4794 or [ctucker1@tsd.k12.or.us](mailto:ctucker1@tsd.k12.or.us). We are looking to get started with these intervention programs in the next few weeks. We have several groups that need a volunteer. Our students and staff appreciate your support & we look forward to working with you!

## Activities & Events

9/19	First Scrip orders due
10/4	Fall Picture Day
10/7	Fun Run

## FUN RUN!!



Save the Date: FUN RUN – October 7<sup>th</sup>!  
Tualatin Elementary's Annual "FUN RUN" Fundraiser is moving to the Fall. Keep an eye out for information to come home with students soon. We'll continue to post information in the Telegraph; also check Facebook: 'Tualatin Elementary PTA'. Thanks!

## Scrip is Here!

What is Scrip? Scrip is a fundraiser that takes advantage of everyday shopping without any extra cost to you. It is gift cards and gift certificates you purchase from the Scrip order form to use for your weekly shopping needs: groceries, dining out, entertainment, home improvement, etc. We receive 2%-43% back from the retailer for our school, no extra cost to you. The 1st order of the school year is Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Orders are due by 2:30pm in the office on Monday, and you will receive your order back Thursday afternoon. More Scrip information will be sent home with your student. Feel free to contact Angela with any questions:

[angelatyl7@yahoo.com](mailto:angelatyl7@yahoo.com)

Sat.  
Oct. 8

# FREE One-Day Health Clinic

For the whole family!



## FREE medical, dental and vision care!

Services provided to all residents in the Tigard-Tualatin School District.

Limited time slots available. First come will be first served.

Childcare provided. Free lunch served. Se habla español.

Hosted by Compassion Connect in collaboration with the Tigard-Tualatin School District Safe School/Healthy Students Initiative.

Saturday, October 8  
8 am - 3 pm

Tigard High School  
9000 SW Durham Rd.

For more info:  
**503-603-1585**



## Tualatin Elementary School Projects



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Tigard Tualatin Schools**

Your dollars helped fund these ideas at your school. Thank You!

### 2011-12

Proposed Projects  
For This Year's  
Foundation Grant

\$9,000

Enhancing with iPod Touches,  
Instructional Aides for Math  
Support, Math & Reading  
Intervention Curriculum

### 2010-11

Foundation Grant

\$9,000

MATH INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE  
and workbooks

Arts Grant

\$805

GARDENER IN RESIDENCE  
to foster the growth of the  
school garden

### 2009-10

Foundation Grant

Shared \$100K  
RESTORED MUSIC  
TEACHER/PROGRAM to  
full-time

Arts Grant

\$650

ART SUPPLIES



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FOR TIGARD TUALATIN SCHOOLS

Donate today at [foundation4smartkids.org](http://foundation4smartkids.org).

# FOUNDATION GIVES \$135K TO SCHOOLS

## Dollars Power Learning, Tech & Books

As a result of last year's fundraising efforts, The Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools is giving \$135K to district schools. That's \$9k for each of the district's 15 schools. These dollars will power reading and math support, as well as buy technology and books. See how your school will benefit on the other side of this sheet.

Help us to continue to enhance your child's education by supporting this year's Foundation events.

### **Fall**

October 21-23

*Art in the Burbs*

November 6

*Cheese, Chocolate & Cheers*

### **Winter**

February

*Annual Fund Drive*

### **Spring**

April

*Caring Closet's Stuff the Bus*

### **Summer**

June 16

*Garden Tour + Art Show*

June 23

*Twilight Run @ Festival of Balloons*

TBD

*Golf Tournament*

July-August

*Bridgeport Summer Concert Series*

What You Give Matters! Thank you for your ongoing support.

[www.foundation4smartkids.org](http://www.foundation4smartkids.org)