

The Connection

Crestwood Elementary PTA

Announcements

Thank You Crestwood Families! YOU ROCK!

Our PTA Fundraiser profited us about \$12,000! Thank you for all your support to our school! Delivery date for the fundraiser items will be approximately the 1st week of November.

October Staff Appreciation and Late Night Teacher Conferences

We are starting October off with a staff appreciation "Great Pumpkin" theme on Friday October 21st with everything pumpkin. We are asking for volunteers to bring a pumpkin food to help out. We follow with our bi-annual event of dinner for the teachers during conference week on Tuesday evening October 25th. They are in need of salads, beverages, snack and dessert items donated. To sign up contact Michelle Ryan at ms_questioner@yahoo.com

Art Docent

We are in need of volunteers who visits the classroom once a month and helps create art! Only 3 classes are still in need of a volunteer Art Docent. It's easier than you think and an invaluable part of your kids educational experience. Funded by the PTA, and in cooperation with the Green River Community College's Interurban Center for the Arts (ICA), Crestwood Art Docents are provided with: Lessons, Materials and Training!

If you are interested in becoming an art docent or for more information, please contact Sonja Griffing at griffingds@yahoo.com

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POPCORN PASS

Pay for a year of popcorn for \$5.00.
Never miss a popcorn Friday again!

2

BOXTOPS

Collect and turn in your Boxtops to your Teacher!

3

SHOPAROO

Scan your daily receipts to earn our school cash!
Available in your APP Store

UPCOMING DATES OCTOBER

14th No School

21st & 25th Staff Appreciation

24th-28th Conferences

November

3rd Board Meeting

4th No School

7th Reflections Deadline for Entries

8th Election Day

11th No School Veteran's Day

24th-25th No School Thanksgiving Break

30th Late Start

Members Needed!!

We still haven't reached our goal of over 100 members this year. We'd love to have you join us! It's only \$13 per person to join. Membership forms are available at the school.

Reflections

National PTA Reflections entries are due on Monday, November 7th.

The theme is **WHAT IS YOUR STORY?** Original submissions will be accepted in literature, photography, visual arts, film production, music composition, and dance choreography. Details will be sent home to interested parties this Friday or they can email griffingds@yahoo.com for more details.



Teacher Bio

Meet Mrs. Janis Heedum! One of our 6th Grade teachers!

Mrs. Heedum was born and raised in her home town of Omaha, Nebraska. She has a BS of ED from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and a Masters Degree from Leslie College. She started her career teaching kindergarten in 1974 but over the years expanding her grade levels to 3rd-6th. After relocating to Washington and working in our district for 3 years, Mrs. Heedum came to Crestwood to be one of the first teachers to teach the year we opened in 1980! Since then, the only time she has left, was 1989 where she was lucky enough to be allowed to travel to Australia to teach 2nd grade. What an experience! Not only has she taught but taken the time to sit on KSD committees to formulate curriculum and helped to create a consistent leaning environment to help kids when transferring grades. And she just celebrated her 28th wedding anniversary! She believes every child can learn and grow stronger at all things.

Fun Fact: Her pets include 2 Maine Coon cats and a Blue Front Amazon parrot

OCTOBER RECIPE:

4 INGREDIENT PUMPKIN COOKIES

By **The 36th Avenue**

Serves: 24

Prep Time: 5 minutes

Cook Time: 8 minutes

Total Time: 13 minute

Ingredients

- 1 Box of Spice Cake
- 1 Can of Pumpkin
- 1 Bag Chocolate Chips
- 1 Cup Brown Sugar

Instructions

1. In a medium bowl mix pumpkin and cake mix.
2. Add chocolate chips and mix together.
3. Place the dough in balls on a baking sheet. You can add some brown sugar to the top of the cookies.
4. Bake at 350F for 7 to 8 minutes.

Are you getting the Newsletters?

The monthly PTA Newsletter is sent home in Friday packets. There are three ways to get Crestwood's weekly newsletter.

- The newsletter is sent electronically on Friday to those who have an e-mail on file with Crestwood. If you are not receiving the newsletter, please call the office, 253-373-7634.
- You can find the newsletter on Crestwood's School Website through Kent School District at <http://www.kent.k12.wa.us/cw>. Look for the PTA Newsletter link in the left hand column.
- A paper copy is available in the office.