

October 5, 2018

Greetings Maple View Families:

I hope this newsletter finds you well. We have our first Spirit Week of the year beginning on Monday. Students will dress up to different themes each day.

- **Monday is COZY Clothes day! Don't forget to wear your school appropriate pajamas or sweats!**
- **Tuesday is our first EVER hat day!**
- **Wednesday we are color blocking candy corn style! 8th should wear white. 7th wears orange and 6th wears yellow.**
- **Thursday is Fall back in Time. Choose your favorite decade to rep.**
- **Friday is Blue and Gold day. Sport that new spirit wear!! We will have a pep assembly on Thursday.**

The week will culminate with a school-wide spirit assembly at the end of the day on Thursday. These weeks are always great fun and give students a way to connect to their school. We are looking forward to a great week.

If you get a chance to look at the district newsletter, Tahoma Matters, I would encourage to read the article about one of our para-educators, Rebecca Bergstrom, is featured in the lead article. She is such a treasure for our school and I am thrilled that she is being recognized at the district level.

Five more names were drawn as BEARS Buck Winners this week. They are:

Kiley C.

Avery K.

Keaton S.

Jeremiah W.

Rowan W.

Keep up the great work, Bears! BEARS Bucks are getting turned in for so many noteworthy choices: Turning in lost valuables, being extra respectful to guest teachers, helping new students, and volunteering to help staff members.

For those of you asking how to get involved, PTA has many opportunities coming up! Please check out the ways to help: [PTANewsletter104.pdf](#)

The MVMS Green Team is meeting on Thursday after school. All students are welcome to come and participate. This club works hard to help our school be more sustainable with composting and recycling. If your student is interested in being a part of this club, they can talk to Mrs. Staley or Mrs. Fritch to get involved.

We are expecting student pictures from the makeup day to arrive very soon. Picture retake day will be on October 18th. More information to come in my next newsletter.

We have collected **73%** of our goal for supporting our ASB programs this year!! Great job. Get your donations in by Monday to be included in the grand prize give away: top two earners get to be Principal for the Day! [MV Fun Run Sponsor Sheet 2018.pdf](#) [MVMS Fun Run.pdf](#)

We have also been working hard with our teaching staff through professional development to gain a deeper understanding of the standards in their curricular area. While our teachers know the standards their students are supposed to meet in each grade level, we want to take this understanding farther to the point where we know what kind student assignments best help them to meet and exceeding state standards. All of the work that we do with staff is to deepen their understanding of curriculum, state standards and student behavior so that they can to continue to improve their work with our students. To their credit, our staff loves this work and they take great pride in the accomplishments of our students.

It looks like a typical northwest weekend, one sunny day, one wet day. I hope you are able to take full advantage of both days. Have a great weekend. Go Bears!

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