



the Bluejay

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Important dates

June

June 14th – 5th Grade OMSI Field Trip

June 15th – 5th Grade Celebration in the gym 1:30pm

June 16th – Last day of school/Field day fun

Field Day Volunteers Needed Thursday, June 16th

I am looking for volunteers to come help us put on a fun filled last day of school for all our kids. I need a few more volunteers 10am-2:30pm to help set up games, help run stations during when the kids will be out there, hand out our frozen treats, make sure students are safe on our large inflatable obstacle course and put away all the equipment at the end of the event. Below you will find the schedule of when grades will be out to play. Please let me know if you would like to help out.

My email is crystal.mason@springfield.k12.or.us

THANK YOU!!

~Crystal Mason, Volunteer Coordinator

**2nd & 3rd Grade 11:00-12:00
Kinder & 1st Grade 12:10-1:10
4th & 5th Grade 1:15-2:15**

From the Principal,

After-School Activities Are Important Too!

Centennial's staff puts a lot of thought into creating an environment at school that supports student learning. Our goal is to organize available time and space to benefit our students to the extent possible. In addition to receiving instruction in several subject areas each day, students participate in a number of other activities, including: Music, Library, PE, meals, and recess. Making all of this mesh throughout the week requires thoughtful scheduling. As a result, there is a rhythm and regularity to every student's school day that is geared toward learning and that is emotionally comforting as well.

What about after-school though? Once kids leave to go home, they don't always have access to the same degree of organization that the first part of the day held. It might surprise you to know that that's not a bad thing at all. After being in a highly structured environment during the school day, much of it sitting, kids need a chance to be creative and physical! Ideally, they will be doing things that they enjoy and that gives them the balance that they need.

What about homework? Homework *is* important, but so is playing outside, stretching physical limits in safe ways, socializing with friends and family, and learning new skills (music, art, sports, nature identification, etc.). Recreation is necessary so that they can re-charge and be receptive to learning during all of their waking hours.

Student's benefit by knowing what is expected of them. Having after-school plans in place is not only a crucial component to keeping kids safe, but it provides comfort and security, something that families directly benefit by, as relaxed, happy kids are a lot more fun to spend time with!

For some families, a more structured plan is best, such as after school sports, Young Rembrandts, dance class, gymnastics, Willamalane, etc. For others, parents, childcare givers, and/or older siblings provide after school supervision. There's no "right" way for every student and every family. The main components of a good after-school experience are:

- Safety
- A caring, kid-friendly environment with appropriate supervision
- A clean, quiet space to do homework as a part of the afternoon or evening routine,
- Proper nutrition, and
- Love

Sincerely,

Dan

Summer Movie Express 2016 - Family fun movies playing on Tuesdays & Wednesdays for the summertime!

Admission to the Summer Movie Express is only **\$1**. Tickets available for purchase at the box office and all movies start at 10:00 am. **Each week both movies play on both days.** A portion of the proceeds goes to the Will Rogers Institute.

Regal Valley River Center Stadium 15 & IMAX
All movies start at 10AM and are rated G or PG

Week	Dates	Movies
Week 1	Tue June 21 Wed June 22	The Lego Movie Max ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 2	Tue June 28 Wed June 29	Goosebumps Iron Giant: Signature Edition ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 3	Tue July 5 Wed July 6	Pan The Smurfs 2 ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 4	Tue July 12 Wed July 13	Despicable Me 2 Home ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 5	Tue July 19 Wed July 20	Minions The Peanuts Movie ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 6	Tue July 26 Wed July 27	Alvin & The Chipmunks: The Road Chip Curious George ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 7	Tue August 2 Wed August 3	The Book of Life Hotel Transylvania 2 ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 8	Tue August 9 Wed August 10	Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2 Shaun The Sheep ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***
Week 9	Tue August 16 Wed August 17	The Croods Dr. Suess' The Lorax ***BOTH MOVIES PLAY ON BOTH DAYS***

Family Center News

Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers this year. Whether you were able to give just a few hours 1 time or you have been here every day since September, your time is a real gift to our school, our teachers and staff who would not be able to accomplish the giant task that they have each year without your investment! Some of you cut, glue and trace until your fingers are calloused. Some of you read to our students and provide them with a dependable weekly relationship. Some of you help corral students on fieldtrips, during picture days and/or during health screenings. From fundraisers to Book Fair to SMART to classroom project helpers; you have all worked tirelessly behind the scenes to provide our students with one of the greatest schools on planet Earth!

There is a saying by Elizabeth Andrew that say, "Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." I want to Thank You All for giving your heart to Centennial!!

Spring Bike & Walk Day

Thank you to all 150 students that participated by biking, walking and/or scootering to school that day. The event is used to promote health and fitness for students and their families but it is also a great way for our school and community to show our appreciation and encouragement. With a grant through LTD we were able to supply students with a little snack in the morning along with their ribbons and sticker to proudly wear throughout the day. Each student that participated also got the chance to enter into our drawing for some great prizes such as water bottles, bike lights, reflectors, helmets, kneepads, flashlights and even a few new scooters! 66 students were randomly chosen for the drawing for prizes and the excitement was apparent on each of their faces! We look forward to having another welcome back event in the fall so keep an eye out for more information.

Springfield Elks Snack Pack Program and Food For Lane County Cereal for Youth Program

I want to say a huge THANK YOU to the Springfield Elks Lodge for providing Snack Packs to our students in need throughout this whole year and to Food For Lane County for providing blueberry granola to our students during state testing this year. With their combined help we were able to make sure that our students bellies stayed full and their minds stayed focused.