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PTA Meeting (library) Thursday, February 18, 7pm Spanish Club (music room) Monday & Wednesday, 8am French Club (Mrs. Mills' room) Wednesday, 8am Choir (music room) Tuesday & Thursday, 8-8:30am STEM $(4^{\text{th}}/5^{\text{th}}/6^{\text{th}} \text{ graders})$ Tuesday, 3:15-4:15pm LEGO Club (library) Tuesdays through March 16, 3:15-4:15pm ٠ Chess Club (library) Wednesday, 3:15-4:00 ٠ CLASS PICTURES Friday, February 19 Book It Forward Book Drive February 2-March 2 Shoe Drive February 29-March 18 Yearbook pre-sale February 1-26 Yearbook photo submissions February 1-26 Box Top Competition Now-March 25 Barnes & Noble Contest due March 1 North Junior High Open House March 9 Roaring Readers Charts Due April 1 Café Zupa Roosevelt Night April 19 Spring Fling Saturday, April 23

EXTRA! EXTRA!

- ✓ The Character Trait for the Month of February is "Respect".
- ✓ Our hard-working PTA has done an amazing job raising funds, organizing activities and finding volunteers for Roosevelt this year. If you'd like to be a part of this great team next year, here's your chance. There will be several open positions for the 2016-2017 school year including:

PTA President Vice-President Read-A-Thon Chairperson Website Manager Newsletter Editor

Please come speak to Stacey Stewart or Vicky Swerdloff if you have specific questions regarding these positions. You can email us at swerd@cableone.net & stewart013@msn.com

✓ Think Spring! You may still be dreaming of more skiing, sledding and snow days, but the first hint of spring is upon us...Spring Fling!! Tickets are on sale now for Spring Fling 2016 Roosevelt's annual fundraiser and FUN night out. Saturday, April 23, 5:30 pm at the Stueckle Sky Center. This anticipated (adult-only) event includes dinner, dessert, a no host bar and a mix of live and silent auction items, including fantastic creations made by our very own children. So please plan on attending to help support our fabulous school. ALL proceeds go back into school programs -- art, music, library, technology and teacher resources. Tickets can be purchased in the front office and are only \$35 per person...but only until March 17. After that, \$40 per person.

- ✓ Volunteers Needed! Each year EF High School Exchange Year connects international exchange students with caring host families in our community. Together we bring cultures together, open communities to the world, and create lifelong friendships that span the globe. You can be a part of it! Volunteer to host an international student that will attend Boise High School. For more information please contact our local EF coordinator and Roosevelt parent, Marla Covey 913-948-2717 or coveymd@gmail.com
- ✓ Girls on the Run is back at Roosevelt Elementary this spring! The program will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-4:45pm starting Monday, February 29th until May 11th (no meetings during Spring Break). The group is limited to 20 girls. Sign up today at <u>www.gotrtv.org</u>.
- ✓ Yearbooks: It is now time to pre-purchase the 2015-2016 Roosevelt yearbook. Pre-sales will run through February 26th and the cost is \$14 per yearbook. There is an option to purchase and donate a yearbook as well. If an order form does not make it home over the next week, please stop by the front office and pick one up. We only order what is sold during the pre-sale, so please be sure to get your orders in. Also, please continue to send photos for the yearbook to Misty Schultz at mrsmschultz@gmail.com. Photos will be accepted through February 26th

Attention 6th grade students & parents, So you know-here is what will be happening with 2016 registration for North Junior High—Wendi Ellis-Clark, School Counselor

Throughout the month of February: My classroom lessons will be a discovery of what to expect regarding the registration process, discussion of courses and electives offered in the 7th grade at North Junior High, and exploration of how junior high is different than Roosevelt. We have been working on their strengths and how they carry their strengths forward to their future and support each other in their next "new" school experience.

Starting the week of February 15^{th:}

PARENT & STUDENT PLANNING MEETINGS! Do you build a house without a blueprint? Best practice would say NO so we will do registration the right way and meet to discuss transition planning, course selection, concerns or questions BEFORE you start your secondary adventure. Your sixth grade teachers will email a link to a google-doc to sign up for these meetings. Please check in with Ms. Frazier in the front office and she will call for your child for our meeting. If you have further questions about this request, please call 854-6030 or Email me at <u>wendi.ellisclark@boiseschools.org</u>. If these dates do not work for you, please connect with me on scheduling an alternate time - <u>so important</u> I meet with <u>EVERY</u> 6th grade family!

Wednesday, May 18th 9:45 – 11:15am: Students will tour North! We will board the bus at Roosevelt and head over to North to learn more about the transition, opportunities, and people who will be a part of your child's life over the next few years! Students go in small groups on tours of the school with former Roosevelt students who answer questions, encourage extra-curricular activities, and dispel myths! More information will be given when we get closer to this date.

During the Summer: You will receive a very detailed newsletter with all you will need to know about picking up your schedule, practicing opening your locker, start dates of athletic opportunities, and more! You also will need to get your physical over the summer to turn into North in August for PE & athletic opportunities! This is also posted on the North website at the end of June for your reference.

Note on Open Enrollment: If you move out of the North area between now and the beginning of 7th grade, you will need to apply for open enrollment. If you currently do not live in the North attendance area and wish to apply for open enrollment, please ask Mrs. Bronner or visit the District website <u>www.boiseschools.org</u> for forms and answers to the open enrollment process.

Treasure Valley Math & Science Center: If you would like to know more please go to <u>www.boiseschools.org/schools/TVMSC/apply.html</u>

Please note the criteria for student selection, screening dates, open house information, and intent to test forms. Full details and program information can be found on the website.

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID): AVID is a college preparatory program for student who need regularly scheduled study groups, note-taking and organizational support aimed at assisting a student in taking Accelerated courses. For more information, contact me for further program information and the application process.

As always, I am just an email or call away! The transition from Elementary to Junior High is a big one for our students and for YOU! Just ask if you have a question or need assistance ---even when they leave Roosevelt, I am always here to help guide!

- Barnes & Noble My Favorite Teacher Contest This contest gives our dedicated teachers a chance to be recognized in our community for the important work they do. Here's how the contest works. We encourage students to write an essay, poem, or thank-you letter describing their favorite teacher and how that person has influenced and inspired them. Entries should be submitted to our local Barnes & Noble store (1315 N Milwaukee Street) by March 1. A team of judges from Barnes & Noble and our community will choose the winner and recognize both the teacher and the student at a special ceremony during Educator Appreciation Days in April at Barnes & Noble. The winning teacher will be entered into the regional contest, and each regional winner will receive a \$500 Barnes & Noble Gift Card -- and the chance to be named the Barnes & Noble National Teacher of the Year. The Barnes & Noble National Teacher of the Year will receive \$5,000 and be recognized at a special event at a Barnes & Noble store. The winning teacher's school will receive \$5,000 as well. The national student winner will receive a \$500 Barnes & Noble Gift Card and a NOOK® device. This is a terrific vehicle to develop our students' writing skills and to showcase their creativity. Remember, the topic is My Favorite *Teacher*, which can be any teacher past or present. Entry forms for students and full instructions are available online at: BN.COM/myfavoriteteacher. Let's make sure our teachers get the recognition they deserve!
- ✓ Book It Forward Roosevelt! Remember, we are collecting new or gently used books for Book It Forward Idaho this month. Your child can bring in books to his/her classroom.
- ✓ Café Zupa Roosevelt Night raised \$412.42 for Roosevelt! Next night out is April 19!

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