



Harris Bilingual Immersion School

Esteve's News

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Notes from Julie Schiola Principal



Parent Teacher Conferences

We will be having Parent Teacher conferences from **October 19-October 28, 2011**. Your child should have brought a **scheduled conference note** home already. Please send back the note as soon as possible confirming the scheduled time or letting your child's teacher know that you will need a different time. Parent Teacher Conferences are a very important time to discuss how your child is doing and to talk about ways in which your child's teacher, you, and your child can work together to promote success. There will be no school on **Thursday, October 20, 2011, and Friday, October 21, 2011**, due to the conferences.

Halloween Party

We will be having a Halloween party on Monday, **October 31, 2011**. We will start with a parade in the gym at 2:15 p.m. and then the students will go back to their classrooms for a party. Students will not be allowed to wear costumes that portray violence. **Students may not wear their costumes to school. They will be given time to change before the parade. Please, no face make-up.** If your child is unable to bring a costume, we have some for your child to choose from.



Lost & Found

Please check the Lost & Found area by the gym. Items will be donated by **October 28, 2011**. After that, we will donate lost items at the end of each month.

News from Martha Petty Harris Media Specialist

October is Statewide Read Aloud Month

The Colorado Council of the International Reading Association has once again designated October as Statewide Read Aloud Month. The purpose of this month-long event is to encourage parents to participate in their children's literacy development by reading aloud. Research has proven that children who are read to become better readers! Setting aside time to read with your child helps him/her learn and develop an interest in reading. It builds a love of books, a sense of story, an appreciation for language and expands vocabulary.



I hope you will take a few minutes each day to...

...GET LOST IN A GOOD READ ALOUD!

News from the Health Office

VOLUNTEERS needed for Harris Vision and Hearing Screening! –Thursday, November 17

We are having our annual Vision and Hearing Screening on Thursday, November 17, 2011. In order to have a successful screening day we need, once again, the help of our wonderful volunteers! No experience is required. If you are interested, please call the Harris office at 488-5200 or send an email to gsala@psdschools.org.



News from the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)



Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting

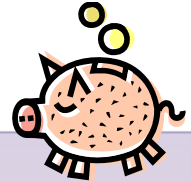
All are invited to the October PTO meeting on **Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.** Pizza will be served and childcare will be provided.

Coffee Hour for Parents - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 9:00-10:30 A.M.



Join us for some hot coffee, yummy snacks and lots of chit chat. If you would like to practice your English or Spanish language skills in a casual, comfortable atmosphere, or would just love to meet other Harris parents, then join us! We meet in the library. Your little ones are welcome. See you there!

Fundraisers



We Still Have E-Books!!

We have sold quite a few E-books already, but still have plenty more to sell.

- These books have great coupons from Cold Stone Creamery if you like ice cream and great ski deals from Cooper Mountain, Winter Park, Loveland and Sol Vista ski areas. There are also four \$5 King Soopers coupons to use through the year which more than pays for the price of the book.
- If you want to look at the books before you purchase, they are in the front office.
- If you would like books "in hand" to sell, you may buy any amount ahead of time. We will refund your money for any books left unsold and returned to Ruth Rice.
- Please note that selling these coupon books brings in important money for the school each year. The school receives \$6 from the \$10 cost of each book.
- **We will continue to sell the books through October 28;** please consider buying one or more to support your school.

If you have any questions about these books, please contact Ruth Rice at 214-3352.

Save the Date!



- **What:** Stegosaurus Stomp
- **When:** Wednesday, October 12
- **Why:** For fun, fitness, and to raise money for our school

News of Interest

Family Night/Noches de Familia

Council Tree Library –First Friday of the Month, 5-6 p.m.

Come and enjoy a time of stories, crafts, puppets, and songs in Spanish at the Council Tree Library (2733 Council Tree Avenue in Front Range Village, on Harmony, between Timberline and Ziegler).

Each month we will celebrate a special Latin-American holiday or tradition. It doesn't matter if you are a fluent speaker or are just interested in listening to the Spanish language and learning about the culture; this is the place for you! *Noches de Familia* is a free event for all ages.

2011 Dates and Themes:

October 7 - Fables

November 4 – "Día de los Muertos"

December 2 – "Las Posadas"

Would your child be interested in participating in Odyssey of the Mind?

This is an after school program that inspires creativity and cooperation between children of similar age!

- Children are grouped into teams of seven or less and each team gets to select interesting problems to solve over the course of several months (check out the websites www.odysseyofthemind.com and www.coloradoodyssey.org).
- Odyssey of the Mind runs **November through March** typically, and teams meet one day per week for an hour and a half.
- It is important to mention that parent participation will be expected in the form of coaching or volunteering at the judging competition.
- **The organizational meeting for all participants (mandatory for participants and one parent) is Tuesday, October 18th at 6:45 pm at Harris.**
- Please ask Gabi (in the Harris front office) for an application if your child would be interested in Odyssey of the Mind.
- **DEADLINE for registration is Tues. October 18th.**

Questions about the program? Call Harris OM coordinator, **Danue Laborde at 970-484-3552.**

Dates to Remember

October 7, 2011	2 nd Grade Field Trip – Butterfly Pavilion	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
October 7, 2011	Family Night at Council Tree Library –Fables	5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
October 12, 2011	Stegosaurus Stomp	
October 12, 2011	4 th Grade Field Trip –Math, Science and Technology Day at CSU	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
October 13, 2011	PTO Meeting. All parents are welcome! Childcare provided. Pizza will be served.	6:00 p.m.
October 17, 2011	4 th Grade Field Trip – Viestenz Park	9:10 a.m-3:00 p.m.
October 18, 2011	Odyssey of the Mind (OM) Organizational meeting –Harris	6:45 p.m.
October 18, 2011	Odyssey of the Mind (OM) Registration Deadline	
October 19-28, 2011	Parent/Teacher Conferences	
October 20 & 21, 2011	No school due to Parent/Teacher Conferences	
October 25, 2011	Coffee Hour for Parents	9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
October 25, 2011	1 st Grade Field Trip –Devil’s Backbone	9:15 a.m-3:15 p.m.
October 28, 2011	E-Books Sale Deadline!	
October 28, 2011	Lost and Found articles donated	
October 31, 2011	Halloween Parade –Harris Gymnasium	2:30 p.m.
	Classroom Halloween Parties	3:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead...

November 17, 2011	Vision and Hearing Screening –Volunteers needed!	8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
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