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Character Trait of the Month

September
Courtesy

Upcoming Events

September 22, 2023

School News

September

- 25 PLC Late Start 10:25am
- 26 1st gr Field Trip Mary Olsen Farm
- 29 3rd Gr Field Trip Seattle Childrens Theater



October

- 2 PLC Late Start 10:25am
- 5 Curriculum Night 6:00pm
- 6 School Assembly 2:55pm
- 9 PLC Late Start 10:25am
- 11 Vision/Hearing screening
- 11 2nd gr Field Trip Thomasson Farm
- 13 Individual Pictures
- 13 PTSA Family Night 6pm
- 16 PLC Late Start 10:25am
- 18 PTSA Mod Pizza Night 5:00pm
- 20 PTSA Popcorn
- 20 PTSA Glow Mix Dance 6:00 - 7:30pm
- 23 PLC Late Start 10:25am
- 30 PLC Late Start 10:25am
- 31 Costume Parade 3:10pm
- 31 Classroom Party 3:20pm



Families are Invited To Curriculum Night

We encourage you to attend AJ Parent Curriculum Night. This is an important opportunity for you and your child to attend On Thursday, October 5, 2023, from 6:00-7:30pm. The evening is designed for parents and guardians to come in and learn about the curriculums your child(ren) will be using this year along with other important aspects of the instructional program. We look forward to seeing you this night. Please place this on your calendars!

The Great Washington Shake Out

This year's Shake Out Day is October 19, when millions of people worldwide will participate in earthquake drills at work, school, or home! At 10:19 am (local time) on 10/19, you can join millions of people across Washington practicing [earthquake safety](#). At AJ, we will be participating in this annual drill as one component of our emergency preparedness plan.



Outdoor Clothing For Recess

We spend very few recesses indoors. Part of living in the Northwest is rain, cold, and snow. We ask that parents help prepare your child for the outdoors by purchasing clothing for the weather such as: a heavy coat with hood, rain coat, umbrella, hat, boots, and mittens.



National Honor Society Labels Coat Zippers with Yarn

The AJ National Honor Society (AJ NHS) is a school-based program recognizing outstanding elementary students and engages them in leadership and personal understanding of the value of service. One of the projects that began last year to this year is resolving the issue of lost coats from students at recess time and them piling up and not being claimed. AJ NHS understood that thousands of dollars of unclaimed coats get donated at the end of the year if not claimed. To help students and families of our AJ school community solve this real-world problem, Mrs. Mooney, National Honor Society coordinator, and AJ NHS students came up with a brilliant idea of placing a yarn string on student's coat zippers identifying the classroom color so the coat could be returned when lost on the playground to class that day and not piled in a bin. For this to work, it will be required that students have a string attached to the zipper or coat tag. AJ Student Council and the AJ NHS joint project of tying strings on coats began this week. If your child doesn't have a class color string on their coat, yarn is available to tie this on. It can also be tied to umbrellas, hat tags, glove tags, etc. If your child gets a new coat, multiple coats, umbrellas, etc. they will need to get the string tied on. This is a fabulous student generated project that will surely help keep personal coats with students. A special thanks goes out to AJ NHS!

COAT COLOR			
ECE	Broderick		
	132		
SLC	May		
	134		
Kindergarten	Hartmann	Snider	Harm
	135	136	138
1st Grade	Welker	Lawton	
	139	144	
1st/2nd Grade	Carr		
	137		
2nd Grade	Hansen	Tamondong	
	146	141	
3rd Grade	Heyer	Serdahl	Torres
	206	207	208
4th Grade	Church	Mooney	
	211	213	
5th Grade	Castro	Stone	
	212	210	

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Dear AJ Families,

In our continued efforts to maintain student safety in our school, we will be providing drills that involve protocols for responding during an emergency situation. The instruction that students will be receiving will be led by our school's administrative team and their classroom teachers.

For our next emergency situation, we will be covering the options (Run, Hide, Fight) that students and teachers have in the event of an active shooter emergency. On September 27, 2023 we will be conducting our Run, Hide, Fight drill. The Run, Hide, Fight protocol is recommended by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the U.S. Department of Justice, the Auburn Police Department and the Auburn School District. We will be adapting the Run, Hide, Fight drill to best fit our building and student population so that the material is presented in an age appropriate manner. For this drill, students will not practice running from the classroom. Each teacher has an established plan for their particular grade level and will guide students on what to do during the drill.

Preparing our students for real and present dangers has become a basic, fundamental component of education. Different times, different circumstances, and different dangers require that we prepare students in different ways. Nobody wants to contemplate something bad happening in our schools, but through responsible planning and training, we are able to respond to a crisis in order to better protect ourselves, and those around us. Safer classrooms and work environments can only happen if we take action. Safety depends on our ability, our determination, and our commitment to make emergency preparedness a top priority. We encourage you to engage in discussions with your child about school and community safety in an effort to be prepared to act in the event of an emergency.

More information regarding the Run, Hide, Fight can be found on the Auburn School District's website <https://www.auburn.wednet.edu/Page/20967>. Thank you for supporting our initiatives, please contact us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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