

# Waddell Elementary School Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Enrichment Classes Begin the week of Feb 1<sup>st</sup>
- ◆ PTA Pancake Breakfast at Applebee's - Feb 6
- ◆ Wear Pink/Red Day - Feb 12
- ◆ No School - Teacher Workday - Feb 15

## Principal's News

Welcome to February! January was such a busy month and went by so quickly. I would like to congratulate all of our wonderful actors, actresses, and chorus members for a grand performance of "Oklahoma." Mrs. Rader and Ms. Allen did an outstanding job directing these students and this performance. I would also like to thank all of the parents for their gracious support of the program and continued support of all of our school programs.

As a reminder, the fifth graders will be taking the SOL writing test on March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please do not schedule appointments for these dates.

## Reflections Winners!

Waddell students did very well in the PTA Reflections contest! First place winners include: Addie Suter (literature), Alexis Coleman (literature), Kathryn Brodie (literature), Giselle Olivera (literature), Daniel Humphreys (visual arts), Samantha Russell (visual arts), Rebecca Russell (visual arts), Kathryn Brodie (visual arts), Caroline Webster (visual arts), Braden Hamilton (photography), Sarah Hennis (photography), Brendan Donahue (photography), Grace McDonald (photography), Rebecca Russell (musical composition), Isabel Pfaff (film production), Madison Carroll (dance choreography), McKelvey Courtney Collins (Dance Choreography). Second place winners included: Abby Hamilton (literature), Sophia Youngdahl (literature), Grace Sailer (literature), Emma McDonald (visual arts), Paul Grajzl (visual arts), Anna Murdock (visual arts), Keely Doyle (visual arts), Halle Kline (visual arts), Maxwell Jones (photography), Samantha Jones (photography), Ejiuwa Abah (photography), and Giselle Olivera (photography). Third place winners include: Arden Courtney Collins (visual arts), Brooke Humphreys (visual arts), Giselle Olivera (visual arts), and Gabriela Eastwood (photography). Honorable mention award winner was Jenner Smith (visual arts).

## Enrichment Volunteers Needed

Mr. Kendall is interested in developing a series of after school science activities at Waddell (Tuesdays or Thursdays) and at Lylburn Downing Middle School (1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month). To make these opportunities happen we need science experts who are willing to volunteer an hour of their time to show students demonstrations and/or lead students through experiments or other hands-on activities. In the past community members and professors have come to school from 3-4 p.m. or students have traveled to a lab on campus - arriving at 3:20 and returning to school by 4:30. If you are interested in helping with this effort, please contact Mr. Kendall (kkendall@lexedu.org or 463-5353 ext. 3129).

## PTA Pancake Breakfast at Applebee's

Please come out and join us for a pancake breakfast on Saturday February 6, 2010 from 8am- 10am. All Proceeds made will go to classroom teachers!

## Medical and Pharmaceutical Information

A reminder to parents! If any information regarding your child's medical needs has changed, please contact Nurse Jewell directly or stop by the office and update the information on your emergency cards. We gladly give over the counter medications to students if the parent has completed a Medication Permission Form and provided the school with the requested medication.



## Emergency Closings and Delays

Every effort will be made to contact parents using our Honeywell Instant Alert system in instances of early dismissals or other school closings. This information will also be posted on our school website at [www.lexedu.org](http://www.lexedu.org). You can find school information also on WDBJ (channel 6), WSLs (channel 9), WSET (channel 12), WMRA Radio (89.9), 3WZ Radio (96.7), WSLQ (99.1 FM), WXLK (92 FM), Star Country (94.9 FM), WFIR (960 AM) VIBE (100.1 FM), WVTF Public Radio (89.1 FM), Spirit FM (91.3, 90.3, 90.1), Star Radio (94.3 FM), or at the local news paper websites ([www.thenews-gazette.com](http://www.thenews-gazette.com)). Please do not call the stations listed above. They wish to keep the lines open for calls from individuals announcing closings or cancellations. In most cases they will not release this information by phone. If you do not hear an announcement regarding a cancellation or closing, you should assume that school will be open and running on the regular schedule.

## Afternoon Dismissal

Parents should remember to place their cards with their students' names in the front window of their cars or attach them to the visor to help expedite the dismissal process. If you need additional cards, please contact the office.