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The Village Voice

This is our school, Let peace dwell here
Fill all the rooms with happiness.
As many hands do make a house,
So many hearts do make our school.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Monday, 10/7</u> 8:25 AM-1:00 PM	1st Grade Field Trip <i>Nearby Nature</i>
<u>Wednesday, 10/9</u> <i>SEHS Track</i> 6:30-7:30 PM	Walk + Bike to School Day Community Service Walk-a-Thon Parent Council
<u>Friday, 10/11</u>	NO SCHOOL: Staff Professional Development Day
<u>Wednesday, 10/16</u> 5:30-7:00 PM	Board Meeting
<u>Thursday, 10/17</u>	Great Oregon Shakeout: <i>Parents Pick up Students at Emergency Release Area</i>
<u>Monday, 10/21</u>	NO SCHOOL: Grading Day
<u>Wednesday, 10/23</u> 5:30-7:00 PM	Title I Math/Science Night
<u>Thursday, 10/31</u>	Halloween Carnival & Parade

ROOF-PATCHING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TOMORROW

We are having a roof-patching party tomorrow, Saturday October 5th, starting at 9:00 AM. We've patched the major leaks, but are hoping to do a more thorough job. Please let us know if you plan to come: (541) 554-6460.

WANTED: RECESS SUPERVISOR

The Village School is hiring Recess Supervisors to monitor lunch recess daily from 12:15-1:30 PM. For more information and to apply, please visit: <http://www.eugenevillageschool.org/pg1005.cfm> or stop by the school office.

STUDENT DIRECTORY UPDATE AND ADVERTISING:

The Student Directory is coming soon! Parents--we need you to review your information to make sure you are listed correctly. Please contact the office with your changes ASAP.

Also, if you or someone you know would like to advertise your business in the directory, please contact Sherri. Ads run \$25 for an 1/8 page size (business card size), \$50 for 1/4 page, and \$100 for 1/2 page size.

THE COMMUNITY SERVICE WALK-A-THON RESCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

The Walk-a-Thon has been rescheduled for this Wednesday, October 9th. Thank you for your patience while we rescheduled for a day with a better weather forecast. The new date gives everyone an opportunity to get more pledges! Try using our online pledging system: pledgestar.com/villageschool.

Start Time at SEHS Track:

12:10 PM: Parents are welcome!

What to bring October 9th:

- *A water bottle*
- *Walking shoes*
- *A hat*

Sunscreen, if needed

We'll provide water and snacks.

Volunteers:

We need volunteers to help haul materials to the South Eugene track, set up and take down. If you have a truck or van for carrying popup tents, tables, chairs and supplies, let us know. Also, each teacher could use help with tabulating laps, and giving out food and water.



REQUEST FOR WELLNESS DONATIONS

Our new staff wellness room has been painted in a peaceful shade of blue, and we are in the midst of transforming it into a restorative space for staff to use during the school day. We are looking for donations to help us complete the transformation. If you have any of the following items that you are willing to donate, please bring them to the school office or get in touch with Maureen Caldwell (village@4j.lane.edu).

Stretching Equipment

Core Balls

Floor Rugs or Mats

Heavy Curtains

CD Player/Relaxing CDs

Nature-Inspired Wall Art

Small Fountain/Water Feature

Any other peaceful items you may have to share

Thank you to Carrie Janes for donating pedometers, resistance bands and water bottles!

LOVE LETTERS TO THE VILLAGE
KITCHEN FROM THE 1ST GRADE



PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Parent Support Group meets this Thursday, October 10th from 3:00-4:00. Please contact Pat Anderson at: pattyann25@gmail.com if you would like to join.

SHOP LOCALLY OR ONLINE AND
RAISE FUNDS FOR VILLAGE SCHOOL



We encourage everyone to use eScrip, Capella Scrip, and Unique Eugene Scrip. These programs help local vendors and bring fundraising dollars to our school. We are now announcing two new online fundraising venues: Amazon.com and SchoolMall.com.



Go to www.eugenevillageschool.org and click "Shop for Village School" on the left. Links will appear for Amazon.com and SchoolMall.com. Click and shop from these links, and the Village School earns as much as 15% of your sales. If you bookmark the initial link to these sites, you can make these your browser's portal for them.

SchoolMall.com allows you to buy from many retailers, including REI, iTunes, Land's End, Best Buy, Home Depot, Barnes and Nobles, OfficeMax, and The Body Shop. Each sale generates donations for the Village School.

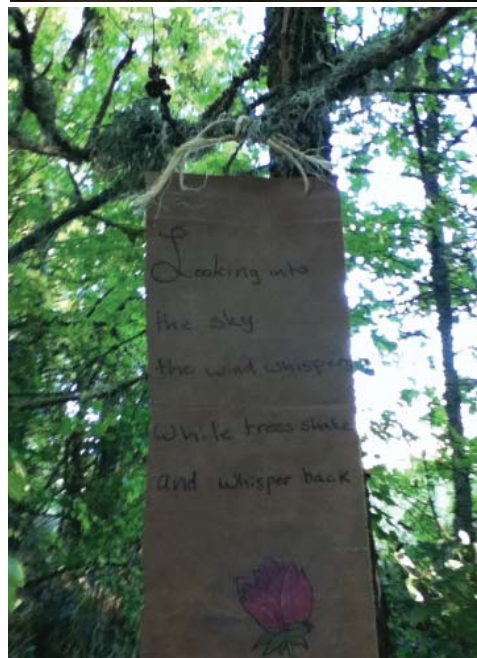
WEATHERGRAMS

"Based loosely on the ideas of Japanese haiku, weathergrams have a permanent place in Pacific Northwest thanks to distinguished Reed College Professor and master calligrapher Lloyd Reynolds. He defined the weathergram text as a sudden insight, so brevity—10-15 words or less—was essential. The subject matter should be seasonal, and the resulting vertical flag, preferably made of brown paper grocery bags, should be hung on a tree branch in "the garden, at a campsite, or along a mountain trail" and left outdoors between solstice and equinox, or equinox and solstice. The three-month weathering of these written statements was essential to the weathergram, a "weather-writing," as it started its journey back to nature."

In the 7th and 8th grade this month, Language Arts students are making and hanging weathergrams in both natural and urban settings. Look for them. They're everywhere.



WEATHERGRAMS CREATED BY:
ROBYN MILLER-LOPEZ, LYDIA LOGAN, SOPHIA
FITZGERALD, JULIA GLOCK, HARBOR DANIELS,
AND SASHA POWERS





Walk & Bike to School Day

Wednesday, October 9th

Join children and adults around the world to celebrate the benefits of walking and bike to school!



Arrive a few minutes early to pick up a Village School Walk & Bike Button, a pair of neon shoe strings, and enjoy a warm drink.



Participating students will be entered into a raffle to win prizes—including two Nutcase Walk & Bike helmets!



After school join your fellow bicycling buddies to “Bling Your Bike!” Supplies and direction will be provided to add some personal touches to your bicycle.

Do you live too far from school to walk or bike? Meet at Friendly Park to walk to school with your friends and parents.

Interested in biking to school with other families? At least two bike trains are planned for the day. If you would like to lead a train, or wish to join one, email: hollymcrae@yahoo.com

Walk or bike to school and have two laps added to your total at the Village School's Community Service Walk-a-thon!!



Thank-you to Point2Point Solutions for supporting our event!

ATTENTION PARENTS:
DISMISSAL TIME CHANGE FOR THE
GREAT OREGON SHAKEOUT ON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

We will be practicing our emergency student release procedures on October 17th, and ask that you pick up your children in front of the gym. This is our school emergency student release area and where you would pick up your children in the event of a real emergency at school. Classes will be dismissed at the following times. Thank you for your cooperation with this important drill.

GRADE 1.....2:11 PM
GRADE 2.....2:18 PM
GRADE 3.....2:25 PM
GRADE 4.....2:32 PM
GRADE 5.....2:39 PM
KINDER AFTER CARE.....2:46 PM
GRADE 6.....2:53 PM
GRADES 7 & 8.....3:00 PM

VILLAGE CLASSIFIEDS

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