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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

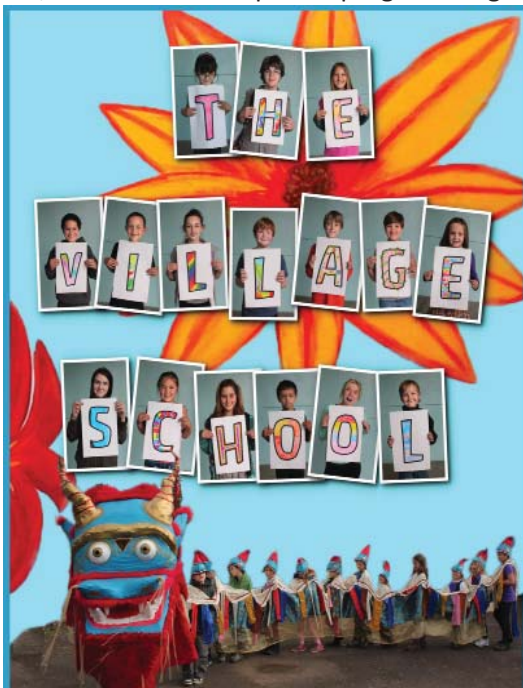
- Wednesday, 10/16 **Board Meeting**
5:30-7:00 PM
- Thursday, 10/17 **Great Oregon Shakeout:**
*Parents Pick up Students at
Emergency Release Area*
- Monday, 10/21 **NO SCHOOL: Grading Day**
- Wednesday, 10/23 **Title I Math/Science Night**
5:30-7:00 PM
- Thursday, 10/31 **Halloween Carnival & Parade**
2:20-2:40 PM

HOME FEDERAL BANK / FACEBOOK FUNDRAISER

The Village School is in the running to win \$10,000 from Home Federal Bank based on a Facebook voting contest including 36 other nonprofits. We are currently ranked about 5th, so we need your vote.

Go to <http://www.happyvillage.org>, & follow the instructions.

This is a fairly easy way to support your school. Winning this contest would really help with funding our music, handwork, movement and Spanish programming!



WALK-A-THON 2013

Wednesday was cool and dry, and perfect for the Walk-a-thon. Students from grades 1-8 gathered at the South Eugene H.S. track around noon. We had a visit from KVAL which interviewed a few students and posted us on the news at 5pm. Spirits were high throughout the day, and many students walked over 4 miles. See the attached photos on page 3.

Now is the time to collect your students pledges, and turn them in this coming week. If you intend to do a little more outreach via our website, you still can use pledgestar.com/villageschool. The system is easy to use especially for reaching people from out of town.



ATTENTION PARENTS: DISMISSAL TIME CHANGE FOR THE GREAT OREGON SHAKEOUT THIS 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

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE VILLAGE SCHOOL KITCHEN

Numerous recent requests for preparation of alternate entrees have necessitated a review of our policy for accommodating dietary restrictions.

We are aware that there are students and staff within our school community who have allergies, sensitivities and preferences towards certain foods. We serve vegetarian and vegan meals on a daily basis. Gluten free lunches are designated by a GF on the monthly menus. We are not able to cater to preferences and sensitivities, but are willing to work with individuals who have medically documented food allergies.

Our school is a sponsor of the USDA's National School Breakfast and Lunch Program. We are not required to prepare special foods that cater to individual food allergies.

The Oregon Department of Education has provided us with a food allergy form which parents can fill out with their child's medical care provider and return to the school office. With this documentation in place, we will create a plan for the child to accommodate his or her dietary restrictions. Such a plan may or may not involve preparing specific foods to match these restrictions. At a minimum, it will allow a child the freedom to choose only the foods he or she wants from our offerings and still receive a reimbursable meal.

Thank you for your cooperation. We are happy to provide delicious and nutritious meals for your child at school. Please understand that catering to individual needs creates additional expense and work for our kitchen program. We are willing to try to meet the needs of those with documented food allergies for a trial period and then will reevaluate.

For those of you who have children requesting gluten free meals, be aware that although many of our meals are gluten free, we do not have a certified gluten free kitchen.

Copies of the food allergy form are available in the office.

Please feel free to contact us with any further questions or concerns.

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.

THANK YOU WALK-A-THON AND BIKE + WALK TO SCHOOL DAY VOLUNTEERS!

Thanks-a-million to our wonderful parent volunteers who helped make Bike + Walk to School Day and the Walk-a-thon successful! Holly McRae did a tremendous job spear-heading Bike + Walk to School Day again, and Beth Eiva was a big part of the welcoming crew for our student bikers and walkers. We appreciate all of the parents and staff members who led groups on bike and on foot to school on Wednesday morning! Thank you to Ann and Mike Magee for allowing us to use their truck to transport Walk-a-thon gear to the South Eugene H.S. track, and thank you to all of the fabulous parents who chaperoned classes to and from the track and helped with snacks, First Aid and counting laps.



GOT A YOGA MAT LAYING AROUND?

We are in need of yoga mats for our Staff Wellness Program. Do you have an old one you don't use anymore? If you do, please consider donating it to the school. You are welcome to drop off donated mats or other wellness items in the office any time.

Thank you to Sarah Macrorie for donating drapes for the Staff Wellness Room!

NO PARENT SUPPORT GROUP ON 10/17

There will be no Parent Support Group meeting this Thursday, October 17th due to the Great Oregon Shake-out Drill and staff meeting. We will resume our group the following week, Thursday, October 24th. All are welcome! Please contact Pat Anderson with questions: patty-ann25@gmail.com.

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.eugenevillage-school.org/pg1005.cfm>.

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 also have two 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.

Please send Village Voice submissions by Thursday at 12:00pm to Maureen at village@4j.lane.edu. Thank you!



VILLAGE CLASSIFIEDS

Family Portrait Special

\$75 session fee (regularly \$195)

Sunday, November 3

Call to schedule

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Ophelia's Place
a community for girls

"Pro-Active Parents"

Education Series

Raising Whole Girls: Mind, Body & Heart

Saturday, October 12

Ophelia's Place- 1577 Pearl St, Suite 100

9:00am-3:30pm

Topics include:

- Raising Healthy and Active Girls
- "Yikes!" - Talking with Kids About Sex
 - Healthy Communication
- Interactive performances by Theater for Change

Join us for a full day of discussions on issues that affect adolescent girls every day.

Please register by Oct. 10th, lunch will be served

*To register, please call: 541-284-4333

www.opheliasplace.net



Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Oregon

