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Greetings Discovery Families,
I know it is hard to believe but as you read this we are heading into Spring! And while spring means Easter eggs and daffodils and warmer weather it also means lots of exciting events are coming our way....

Discovery's $3^{\text {rd }}$ Annual Spelling Bee has been an anticipated event and students are buzzing all about it. All finalists dazzled the judging panel and were impressive i-m-p-r-e-s-s-i-v-e impressive to say the least!
Science Fair is coming on Wednesday, March 20. Grab those lab coats and goggles! We will have fun demonstrations and something for everyone. Registration can be completed online (www.discoveryptsa.org) for those who will be preparing exhibits.

Eager Reader is also wrapping up this month and thank you once again to Katie McDorman and Lisa Vik for all their hard work with this program. Reading is one of the most essential life skills and we encourage all of our Eagles to keep reading, dreaming and to always be curious!
Our next PTSA general meeting is next Tuesday, March 12 at the earlier time of $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ in the Discovery Library.
Please attend to vote on your new board members for 201314 and see who is awarded the Golden Acorn, Outstanding Educator and Outstanding Advocate for the 2012-13 school year.

Spring here we come!

## Lynne Hickman



## Calendar

March 8 Dr. Seuss Book Drive ends
March 8 Last day of Smile Power
March 10 Eager Reader Deadline
March 12 PTSA General Meeting
March 15 Report Cards sent home
March 18-29 Spring Fundraiser
March $20 \quad$ Science Fair
March 21 Eager Reader Ice cream Party

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# Discovery Elementary Science Fair 



## Wednesday, March 20, 2013 <br> 6:00-7:30 pm <br> Hosted by Discovery PTSA

All students are encouraged to participate by completing a science project at home and then displaying it at school for all to enjoy. Students will briefly present their projects to faculty judges during the fair. There is no fee to enter. Each participating student will receive a certificate and ribbon.

## What do I do?

1. Choose your experiment.
2. Visit us online to register and check fair guide 3. Complete experiment.
3. Create a display with your name and grade
4. Set up display between $5: 00$ and $5: 45$ pm on $M$
5. Present your work to adoring judges and friend


Online registration is now available at http://discoveryptsa.org.
****(NOTE: Unlike last year, display boards will NOT be available for order on the PTSA website. Please plan accordingly.)****
***Volunteers are still needed!!!***

Please contact Juliet Dixon at Julietdixon@comcast.net to volunteer or with questions or concerns.


It's not too late to check out the beautiful Mt. Rainier watercolor mural Mrs. Lehr's class created. It's hanging on the wall of Yo Plateau in Sammamish. So grab a frozen yogurt and admire this incredible work of art!

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The popcorn committee is looking for a few more volunteers. If you're interested, please contact Jennifer Rankin at Jenniferrankin@comcast.net or Mari Stevens at Maristevens@hotmail.com for more details.


Don't forget to set your clocks ahead this Saturday night!
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## Date:

Tuesday,
Mar. 12, 2013
7:00-8:30 pm
Location: Grand Ridge Elementary Library 1739 NE Park Dr. Issaquah, 98027

Cost: Free

Parent Networking Opportunities after every meeting

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## iPad usage in ISD

Please join us this evening for an ISD "App-y Hour." Thanks to the Issaquah Schools Foundation (ISF), the Issaquah Special Services department has been able to supply the Apple iPad to classrooms throughout the Issaquah School District.

Tonight's guest speakers are ISD employees who will educate us on how the iPad is used in the Issaquah School District's LRC I \& II classrooms. See what apps your children may be using and how the iPad is integrated into the services your student receives.

Do you have any favorite apps your child uses successfully for educational or assistive technology purposes? Bring a list to share.

Please note: We are at Grand Ridge Elementary School in the Highlands tonight! This is not our usual location.

## WELCOME Maddy McAllen \& Kathy Gottlieb

Maddy McAllen is the district's new Assistive Technology Specialist. She is experienced in using the iPad with students who qualified for SLP services in the district.
Kathy Gottlieb is a Literacy specialist who is currently working on an iPad pilot program at IHS with LRC I students.

## CLASS REGISTRATION

There are no fees or membership requirements. Everyone is welcome.
For more information please contact Becky Gordon at info@IssaquahSpecialNeedsGroup.org_or visit our website. IssaquahSpecialNeedsGroup.org

## Issaquah Schools Foundation

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## One Version!

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2013 Classroom Enrichment Grant winners. Nine recipients received balloons and notice of their award on Friday, February 15. Included among the winning projects were grants for Math Support and Enrichment at Issaquah Middle, a History Day at Liberty and a community based Free Little Library for Discovery Elementary. Hats off to the staff who dedicated hours of personal time to completing their applications AND to our wonderful Balloon Brigade volunteers. See the complete list of winners at 2013 Classroom Grant Winners.

## Kick Your High Schooler Out of Bed on Saturday, March 9

He or she should be at the Issaquah Community Network's Youth Job Skills Fair at Issaquah High School. Hosted in part by the Issaquah Schools Foundation, the Youth Job Fair provides students ages 14-24 'need to know' information about finding a job and discovering their passion. In addition to learning how to conduct an interview, write a resume, put your best foot forward and keep a job once you've landed it, participants will have the opportunity to meet with local business leaders from various professions to learn the 'inside story' about careers in their field. The Job Skills Fair is FREE and runs from 11:00 am 3:30 pm at Issaquah High School. Advance registration is required. Go to www.isfdn.org/yjsf for more information.

## NEM Count Down

March 1 marks 69 days to one of the best events of the spring—the $15^{\text {th }}$ Annual Nourish Every Mind Benefit Luncheon. If you want to become part of the team ensuring the event's success, join us as a Table Captain. Cathia Geller, our intrepid Table Captain Chair, can tell you everything you need to know at our March 22 Table Captain Kick-Off. Contact Cathia at cathia@cathiageller.com. You're also welcome to come as a guest - just let us know!

## Did You Get Your Year-End Tax Receipt?

Letters were mailed at the beginning of February. Email Tina Weber, tweber@issaquahschoolsfoundation.org if you didn't receive yours.

## Donors Helping Kids Get on Track at Tiger Mountain High School

ISF donors are helping Tiger Mountain High School move one step closer to completion of a multi-purpose Teen Center. When fully realized, the Teen Center will offer Tiger Mountain students a safe and healthy after-school environment and the opportunity to satisfy high school credit requirements, prepare for state tests and gain skills for career and life. A \$2,400 grant from the Foundation will underwrite one of the first phases-staff time to assist students with homework assignments, credit retrieval and state exam preparation. We are grateful to our donors for making it possible to invest in this innovative project.

## It's Time to Speak Your Mind about Building Better Schools

You have ideas on how to make our schools better. Share them with those who can help implement change. The Community Forums Network is hosting the third survey in its Education Funding series. Your responses will be compiled and packaged as a "Where's the consensus?" REPORT for policy makers and the media. BONUS! By taking the survey, you'll qualify the Foundation for a grant of up to $\$ 2,500$. Follow the link, CommunityForumsNetwork.org, complete the survey and select Issaquah Schools Foundation as the beneficiary. Hurry, the survey closes on


## Fundraising

## Safeway

Please remember to register your Safeway Club Cards at www.escrip.com or you can go directly to our website to register (www.discoveryptsa.org). Even if you registered in years past, you need to go to escrip.com and renew. It's completely free and it's so beneficial to our school! Encourage your friends, neighbors, and relatives to register their cards too.

## Box Tops

An easy way to earn money for Discovery Elementary!!!! Simply cut, and collect and turn into the school. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents. Believe it or not, these really do add up. We earned over \$1,000 last year. Kids love looking out for these on packages.

## B Cards

Enroll for your 'B' Carding Card at Bartell Drugs by filling out the form and turning it into the store. (http:// www.escrip.com/merchants/identity/ bcaringcard/pdfs/ visit stores bartell.pdf)

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