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Fun Run Results: PTSA Fall Fundraiser

Mark your calendars Mustangs!	
Nov 1	Garden Work Party
Nov 4	Student Picture Retakes
Nov 10	No School (Teacher Training)
Nov 11	No School (Veterans Day)
Nov 18	PTSA Meeting
Nov 20	Reflections Art Fair
Nov 20-26	Parent/Teacher Conferences (Half-day)
Nov 20-Dec 10	Holiday Gift Drive
Nov 27-28	No School (Thanksgiving Break)
Nov 29	Seattle Kids Marathon
Dec 10	Unwrapped Gifts Due - Holiday Gift Drive
Dec 22-Jan 2	No School (Winter Break)
Dec - Feb	Box Tops Contest

Thanks to the generous support of the Hazelwood community, the 2014 PTSA Fun Run (aka Fog Run) was a huge success! The kids had a fantastic experience with their classmates and even had a surprise visit by the Seattle Seahawks mascot Blitz! **Not only did we meet our goal, we beat it!**



Go Hawks!!

Total Raised as of 10/31: \$19,500

Congratulations to all our Fun Run winners! Lamont Nelson (3rd grade) ran the most laps with 24 laps. He gets to be Principal for a day, and PE Teacher for his class for a day. Jayla Hang (1st grade) and Bella Jacobson (5th grade) brought in the most money in pledges. They each won a Fitbit Zip.

For a list of all our winners by grade level, visit <http://hazelwoodptsa.org/ptsa-programs/fun-run/>. Congratulations to all our Mustang runners for their enthusiastic participation!

Thank You!



Keith E. McDonald, DMD



Shannon Anderson with



Our Fun Run Sponsors

Many thanks to our students, teachers, staff, spectators, and volunteers for participating in this year's event. Thanks especially to PTSA Vice President Nakisa Salashoor for organizing this event. Funds raised through Fun Run directly benefit each Hazelwood classroom and every student at our school.

Student Book Recommendations

Not sure what book to read next?
Here are a few Mustang recommendations.

Kinder: *Alexander and the Wind Up Mouse* • *The Little Skyscraper*

Harry the Dirty Dog series • *Fish Out of Water*

1st Grade: *Construction Site* • *Charlotte's Web* • *Mia* series

Ralph S Mouse series • *Mermaid Tales* series

2nd Grade: *Frindle* • *Stuart Little* • *Magic Treehouse* series

I Need My Monster • *Ballpark Mysteries* series

3rd Grade: *According to Humphrey* series

Fairy Realm series • *Dragonsdale* series • *Mandie* series

4th Grade: *There's a Boy in the Girls Bathroom* • *The Little Prince*

Little House on the Prairie • *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*

5th Grade: *Pirate Penguin vs. Ninja Chicken* • *Bloomability* • *Scrumble*

Percy Jackson Lightning Thief • *The Heroes of Olympus* • *Wonder*

Mustang Running Club • 9:15 am on November 7th and 14th

"Running brings people together in a community," observed Jack Vail, 3rd grade. Our Mustang Running Club has been meeting each late-start Friday since mid-September, and is one fun and active community! Hazelwood students and their families are always welcome. It is "energetic, fun, and gets you moving," said Lainey Thacker, 5th grader. Participants can also work towards qualifying miles for the Seattle Kids Marathon on Saturday, November 28th. Running Club is free, brought to you by PTSA and YMCA. For more information on Running Club or registering for the marathon, visit www.hazelwoodptsa.org/ptsa-programs/running-club/.



Reflections Art Fair • November 20th • The World Would Be a Better Place If...



Reflections is a National PTA and Washington State PTA cultural arts competition. This program provides an opportunity for students to use their creative talents by expressing themselves through their own original works. Student can submit entries for the following categories: Visual Arts, Literature, Photography, Dance, Music Composition, and Film. All students are invited to participate! Entry forms will be available in the library. Complete rules, guidelines and entry forms can be found on the PTSA website. www.hazelwoodptsa.org/ptsa-programs/reflections-art-fair/.

All entries are due in the Hazelwood library on Tuesday, November 18th. Judging and display will take place the evening of Thursday, November 20th.

Holiday Gift Drive • November 20th - December 10th

The PTSA Holiday Gift Drive begins this month during conference week (November 20th - 26th). The drive supports Hazelwood families in need. Look for gift tags including the holiday needs and wishes for Hazelwood children in the main lobby display case. The process is simple: take a tag, purchase the item(s) on the tag, and return them unwrapped by **December 10th** to the donation box in the lobby. Safeway or Target gift card donations are also welcome. The PTSA Community Service Committee will do the rest! If you or your business are interested in sponsoring an individual or family this holiday season, please email communityservice@hazelwoodptsa.org. If your child could benefit from the gift drive program, please contact Denise Dewalt, guidance counselor, at (425) 204-4564 or denise.dewalt@rentonschools.us. All requests are confidential.

Thank You! • Thank You! • Thank You! • Thank You! • Thank You!

Thank you to the Harvest Homecoming Committee for hosting such a fun event! Thank you to those who donated food and supplies, and to those who volunteered their time. PTSA couldn't have made this such a success without your support. Thanks especially to PTSA VP Gwen Thacker and Co-Treasurer Audrie Starsy for chairing the committee.

The Power of the PTSA ... see what we accomplished last month!

- Held our first General Meeting of the year, approving our updated 2014-2015 budget.
- Supplemented the cost for 5th grade camp.
- Coordinated volunteers to fill in as Safety Patrol during 5th grade camp.
- Continued to support the Running Club on late-start Fridays.
- Kicked off the After School Academic Enrichment program with the YMCA.
- Organized the Fun Run fall PTSA fundraiser, hosting special guest Blitz!
- Paid for Fun Run t-shirts and water bottles for all students, and T-shirts for all staff.
- Took orders for Mustang Spirit Wear long-sleeved T-shirts and hooded sweatshirts.
- Coordinated volunteers to help with Student Picture Day at the school.
- Coordinated volunteers to help with Hearing and Vision Screening at the school.
- Organized the Harvest Homecoming and Carnival with music, games, and fall fun!

Your Hazelwood Executive PTSA Board Members

President-Leah Battin • Secretary-Amy George • Vice Presidents-Tiffany Daraja, Nakisa Salashoor, Gwen Thacker
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