

# The Grapevine



Toddler, Early Childhood, Elementary and Junior High

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"Learn. Grow. Become."

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

## February

- 15 BOT Mtg, 7pm, NC
- 15 Yearbook Orders Due
- 17 Auction Procurement Ends
- 17 JH Business: Kids' Night Out, 6-10pm, NC
- 18 WA State Orienteering Championships, Mt. Vernon
- 20 NO SCHOOL – President's Day**
- 21-24 NO SCHOOL – Mid-Winter Break (Fig Open)**  
*Camp available for EC/EL students by prepaid reservation.*
- 27 Re-Enrollment Contracts Due
- 28 Auction Meeting, 6-7pm, NC
- 28 Toddler New Parent Ed Series II, 6pm, NC
- 29 Early Bird Financial Aid Deadline for 2012-13

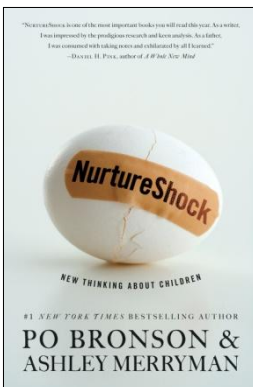
## March

- 1-31 WMS EL & JH Art Display at the Woodinville Library
- 1 Volunteer Training, 2:30pm, WV

- 1 WMS Exclusive Fireside Chat with Ashley Merryman, 6-6:45pm, Washington Cathedral, Redmond. Refreshments provided by the PA. Open to WMS families and friends.
- 1 Ashley Merryman Lecture: *NurtureShock: New Twists That Shape Children's Success*, 7pm, Washington Cathedral, Redmond. Tickets required and available via Web Form.
- 2 Early Bird Deadline for Mar 16 Camp
- 5-9 Standardized Testing, Grades 3-9
- 5 Summer Camp Registration Opens
- 6 Auction Meeting, 6-7pm, NC
- 6 Toddler New Parent Ed Series II, 6pm, NC
- 7 BOT Exec Cmte Mtg, 4:30pm, NC
- 8 PA Exec Meeting, 9am, NC
- 8 Toddler New Parent Ed Series II, 6pm, NC
- 9 Auction RSVP Deadline
- 13 Auction Mtg, 6-7pm, NC
- 13 EC Parent Ed Night, 6:30pm, NC
- 14 BOT Mtg, 7pm, NC

## REMINDER: 2012-13 Financial Aid Applications Due February 29

### NurtureShock Lecture Coming Up on March 1



Prepaid tickets for the March 1 NurtureShock lecture will be available for pickup at the front desk beginning on Friday afternoon, February 17. There are a limited number of tickets still available if you haven't signed up yet. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased through WMS; order online via [Web Form](#) and remit payment to the front desk.

Woodinville Montessori School is proud to be the Gold Sponsor for this wonderful event, and we are happy you will be able to take advantage of the exclusive opportunity to engage in a "fireside chat" with NurtureShock author Ashley Merryman where she will field questions from the WMS community.

#### Schedule of Events – Thursday, March 1, 2012

- 5:45 – 6:45pm Food and drinks hosted by the Parent Association (Library)
- 6pm – 6:45pm WMS exclusive "fireside chat" with Ashley Merryman (Library)
- 7pm – 9pm Main lecture (Tickets required)

**Seating** - A ticket is required for the 7pm lecture. A section of seats will be reserved for all of our WMS ticket holders. Please look for the roped off area as you enter the lecture.

**Directions** - A map, directions and parking information for Washington Cathedral will be provided in your ticket envelope.

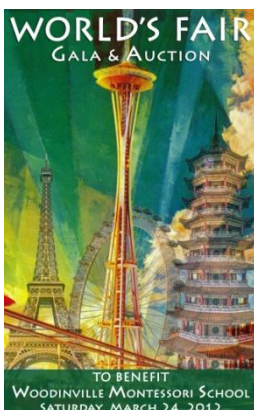
### Going Once? Going Twice? Sold!

Secure your spot at the event of the season and RSVP online to the 2012 **World's Fair Gala & Auction** today!

Never been to this annual event? Now is the time to join your school community for an evening of fun seeing old friends, meeting new friends and getting to know other parents and teachers. The night will include great food, fun and a variety of items to bid on.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at the Lynwood Convention Center. We'll see you there!

Visit [World's Fair Auction](#) for further details.



## To Do:

- ☑ **Order your 2011-12 yearbook TODAY!**
- ☑ **Purchase tickets for the March 1 NurtureShock lecture** and plan to come early for our WMS exclusive fireside chat!
- ☑ **Save the date** of Mar 24 for our *World's Fair* Gala & Auction and [register online](#) by Mar 9.
- ☑ **Help procure an item for the auction.** To make sure your donation is included in the catalog, please turn it in by Feb 17. Donation forms can be found online: click the *World's Fair* block at the bottom of the home page.
- ☑ **Turn in your re-enrollment agreements** by Feb 27 in order to reserve your child's space for 2012-13.
- ☑ **Turn in Financial Aid applications** for 2012-13 by Feb 29.
- ☑ **Mark your calendar for Grandparents Day/Science Fair on Mar 23.**



### Mid-Winter Break Day Camp

There is still space available in next week's Early Childhood and Elementary day camps so go ahead and register today if you need child care.

Remember there is no camp on Monday Feb 20 for President's Day.

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## PA CORNER



If you have any ideas or questions for the Parent Association, please contact Dagny Cook at [dagnycook@gmail.com](mailto:dagnycook@gmail.com).

To find out how you can volunteer to help (there are plenty of jobs, big and small), you can email Cathy Mithel at [cmithel@aol.com](mailto:cmithel@aol.com).

RSVP to [volunteer@woodinvillemontessori.org](mailto:volunteer@woodinvillemontessori.org) if you plan to attend an upcoming Volunteer Training Session.



### Help needed for Mar 1 Lecture

Help is needed for set up, clean up and food for our WMS exclusive fireside chat with author Ashley Merryman on March 1.

Please contact Janet Snyder at [janet@snyderclan.com](mailto:janet@snyderclan.com) if you can help.

### How do I record my volunteer service hours?

To record your volunteer service hours, logon to **Parents Web**, click on the Family Information tab and then select the family member whose volunteer hours you will be entering. Click on the Service Hours tab, then Add Service Hours and then Save to submit.



### WMS Families get sneak peek at new facility

WMS provided parents, students and staff an opportunity to tour our new building in North Creek on February 6, rescheduled due to the January snow. More than 35 families were present for the tours that took place after school. We had great participation with attendees from both campuses and all program levels, and lots of excited kids!

The tour was not only an opportunity for families to get a sneak peek into the new space and enjoy photos of our earlier days, but also to share ideas to help design the ideal facility for the WMS community. A question came up about Woodinville campus, and we want to reassure you that we plan to keep it!

Thanks to Junior High students **Natalia, Naomi** and **Sierra** for conducting tours and engaging visitors in wonderful discussions about the possibilities for our new space. Thanks also to **Dara Darlington, Sue Ann Birdwell** and our **Board of Trustees** for being on hand to help with tours, answer questions and share in the excitement!

Woodinville Montessori School became the official owner of the North Creek campus and two adjacent buildings on December 16. The project will be funded by an investor group and multi-year capital campaign. The investor group will finance the repayment of the bridge load that enabled the initial purchase, and the capital campaign will enable us to convert the campus to a home for our school including outdoor learning environments, additional classrooms, community gathering places and more! Contact [Beth](#) for more information.

### Yearbooks are coming!

Today is the last day to order your 2011-12 WMS yearbook!

Thanks to Carli McSorley and the Yearbook Committee for putting together our 2011-12 book, and to Lauri Cook for designing our beautiful custom cover. 52 color pages with a hard bound cover. Each class, from Toddler to Junior High, has at least 2 dedicated pages which include class photo, student photos and class candid. Other special features include community service photos, Electives, faculty/staff, all-school photos, an autograph section and more! Stop by the front desk to see a copy of last year's book.

**Cost per book is only \$31!** For an additional \$3 you can personalize the front cover with your child's name! Orders and payment are due this week. See the [Web Form](#) for all the details.

Yearbooks are expected to arrive at the end of May.



Oak Class ( Early Childhood) welcomes **Gwen** and her parents **Kristina & Ken Harper**.



- Thank you to **Jessica Wray and Adam Cook** for designing our beautiful *World's Fair* logo and this year's auction invitations.
- Thank you to **Debra Ridling, Cathy Liggett, Kristi Caldwell, Liesl Bohan, Lilac Muller, Angela Fox, and Mari Bercaw** for assembling auction invitations last week.
- Thanks to the **entire auction team** for all of their work to create a fantastic event for all of us on March 24.
- Thank you to **all the families who attended our Open House** on February 4. It was a wonderful event!
- Thank you to the Student Ambassadors who volunteered for our February Open House: **Brooke W., Marcella C., and Willow C.**
- And to our Parent Ambassadors: **Seema Harlalka, Sabrina Moss, Kristen Welter, Dagny Cook, and Elizabeth Corwin**
- Thank you to all the **parents, students and staff** who attended the Sneak Peek on Feb 6.



### Pizza Thursday Continues

Pizza order forms for Mar/Apr/May went home this week. See the attached order form if you need another copy.

Lunch is \$5 per order which includes two slices of pizza and fruit juice. Orders must be received by noon on Wednesday or we are unable to process your request. Thank you for supporting the Jr. High Business!



*Photos courtesy of John Chu and Jon Revere*

### Shake Hands with History

Shakespeare, Galileo, Minamoto Yoritomo, King Arthur, Melisende, Fibonacci and Montezuma were some of the guests attending a Historical Dinner in the Cedar and Cypress classrooms during January's Students' Teaching Night. The event was the culmination of Upper Elementary study of famous characters from the Middle Ages. Life-sized sculptures of these historical characters filled the room. Tables were donned with placemats visually expressing the accomplishments of these heroes, intricate portraits, elegant candlesticks and more. For dinner, visitors were served information on the lives of these characters from the Middle Ages. The stories were truly captivating and informative.

For several months WMS students in the 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grades were busy researching their characters and writing reports. They especially enjoyed creating paper mache heads of their historical characters during art class! Using their ingenuity and creativity, students took the heads, added facial features, and continued to build these life-sized figures. The only requirement was for the figure to sit independently. Some used dowels, chicken wire, or even an old lamp stand to create a base, and lots of recycled newspaper and old nylons to create arms, legs and torso. Students added clothing, props and accoutrements, handmade or readymade, to further identify their characters.

This study of the Middle Ages and the final presentation gave students the opportunity to shake hands with history and discover fascinating connections between people of different times and places. Integrating writing and art with all curriculum areas provides a very powerful outlet for creativity and personal expression. WMS Upper Elementary students are now looking forward to their next unit of study, the Vikings!

# WMS Jr. High PIZZA TIME!

Dear Parents,

Thursdays the Jr. High will be ordering pizza for the Lower and Upper Elementary classes. To order, we need your child's name, their class name, and the number of lunches you would like to order. Please include your e-mail so we may contact you if necessary. Please check your child's calendar as we cannot credit for field trips or illnesses.

Lunch is \$5 per order, which includes two slices of pizza and fruit juice. You may fill out this form to pre-order or pick up an order form outside of your child's classroom and turn them in no later than Wednesday at 12:00.

Below is a list of dates that pizza will be available. Please circle the Thursday that you would like to order Pizza and turn it into the Jr. High with your payment (**checks only** made out to WMS please). Thank you!

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

# of lunches ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check the box for your pizza selection.**

	Cheese	Pepperoni	Veggie
March 1st			
March 8th			
March 15th			
March 22nd			
March 29th			
April 5th			
April 12th			
April 19th	NO PIZZA NO PIZZA	SPRING BREAK	NO PIZZA NO PIZZA
April 26th			
May 3rd			