Molalla Elementary

September-October, 2018

### Principal's Corner: Welcome Back!

The first two weeks of the 2018-2019 school year are behind us, and we are off to a great start! Each year at this time, if you have not already had a chance to meet your child's teacher, I highly encourage you to stop by the school, and take time to introduce yourself. Our staff works very hard to maintain a safe, welcoming environment for all visitors, and we *love* it when our students' families take time to come and get involved

### **AM Traffic Flow and Changes**

If you weren't already aware, we made some slight adjustments to our traffic flow, and breakfast routines this school year at MES. So far, things seem to be going well.

All information pertaining to these changes is on our website, but here is a brief summary:

- Doors at MES open at 8:45.
- Students who will eat breakfast should enter through the west side doors near the cafeteria. ("Activity doors")
- Students who do not plan to eat breakfast may enter through the main doors and wait near their pod doors, or they can take advantage of open gym, and enter through the far west doors.
- Breakfast will be served 8:50-9:05.
- Thank you, parents, for dropping your child off at the pod doors!

Thank you to *all parents and students* for your flexibility in the slight changes made to our morning arrival and breakfast routines. These have taken off quite well, and we appreciate your cooperation.

#### **STRIDE**

For the past several years, all MES students have had access to a learning program called STRIDE. This fun math and reading program is accessible anywhere your child has access to wifi or internet, and an associated device. It's a great way for them to work in practice and mastery of skills, even when they're not at school--and you can work with them, too! How's that for a win-win?

For more information on your child's log-in and password information, please contact their classroom teacher, or the main office. Thank you!

Allergies, Asthma and Other Health Highlights

Friendly reminder to all parents of students who need medication at school, or who should have a rescue inhaler or epi-pen on-hand in case of need, to please be sure and bring in renewed prescription adjusted dosages, and/or equipment and unexpired meds for us to store in the office. There is a brief form we will also ask you to complete, that will assist us in appropriately caring for your child in this way, should the need arise. Thank you for your cooperation, and please contact the office with any questions.

#### PTC and Jog-a-Thon!

If you haven't already heard about our amazing Parent-Teacher Committee, let me bring you up to speed: MES PTC is a team of active parents and teachers who have partnered at MES for many years to plan fun events, and bring the very best experiences and opportunities to classrooms and kiddos in our school. MES PTC is one of the biggest reasons our school is such a great place to be. Our upcoming Jog-a-Thon is coming up on September 21st, and our PTC Officers, Karen Salvetti, Kim Tracy, Teeya Schmidt, and Hollie Forbes are always looking for more parent volunteers to help support these efforts. If you are interested, and would like to learn more how you can get involved, please call the school, and we will get you set-up!

More on Jog-a-Thon: This is one of the most fun and successful fundraisers MES puts on each year. It's something that every MES Eagle looks forward to, and has the additional benefit of raising money that our PTC puts right back into our school. Please check your student's backpack for more information, and we hope to see you there!

## **Important Phone Numbers**

MES Office 503.829.4333
Bus Barn 503.829.2512
Food Service 503-829-3696

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