

# **Pioneer School Press**

#### Weekly News: September 11, 2014

- We are in need of a **Parent Volunteer Coordinator for the Scholastic Book Fair**. The book fair is scheduled to run the first week of November but we can't do it without a coordinator.
- If your child has a serious food allergy, it is important that their classroom teacher is aware of the allergy.
- Want to be in the know? join our **Facebook group** type Pioneer School in the search box on Facebook and Pioneer School will show up as a closed group. Ask to join and we will approve you. The group is only for current families.
- **Pioneer's school calendar** is always available and up to date on our website- <u>http://www.pioneerschool.com/calendar.html</u>
- Pioneer can't do the things that make Pioneer special without the fundraising efforts of our parents. Fundraising goes to support a variety of programs and expeditions such as Livingstone Rock Ranch, Missoula Children's Theatre, PE trips, etc.
- Want to **support Pioneer** just by shopping for the things you use every day at the stores you already visit? Here's how:
  - Buy gift cards to virtually every store through the scrip program- first order is due September 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you need an order form, please pick one up in the office or shop online- www.glscrip.com
  - Sign up for the Community Rewards program by linking your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to Pioneer at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards.
  - Shop Amazon Smile to give a portion of your Amazon purchases back to Pioneer: <u>http://smile.amazon.com/ch/82-0357806</u>. Once you select Pioneer School (make sure you choose Pioneer School in Spokane Valley, WA) we will become your chosen charity for all of your Amazon purchases (doesn't affect your Prime status).
  - Link your Target credit card to Pioneer. Just go to Target.com to select Pioneer School as your charity.
- As requested, you can now donate to Pioneer via PayPal on our website. Please note that PayPal charges us a 2.9% transaction fee for each donation so please consider this fee when making your donation.

• Betty will be out of the office on Wednesday, 9/17 to teach a class through the Educational Service District for teachers and administrators on *Highly Capable Students: Proven Strategies to Meet Their Needs*.

### In the Spotlight

- This month's character trait is Respect- recognizing, considering and properly honoring the worth of one's self and others. On Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, we will have a small assembly honoring one student from each class who demonstrates the character trait of respect. As today is 9/11, we encourage a discussion of honoring and respecting our fallen 9/11 patriots.
- If you would like to help Pioneer earn **free i-Pads** for the classrooms, please return your BASC permission slips as soon as possible.
- We need drivers for the following upcoming field trips. Please sign up in the office. <u>There will be school in the morning on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> so</u> <u>please plan to come to school first- no driving from home.</u>
  - 9/18- Casi and Chris' to Rock Ranch (Greenacres), 10-2
  - 9/19- Tina, Darla, Judy to Rock Ranch (Greenacres), 10-2
  - 9/26- Deep Creek Hike (no bikes)- all school, all day
  - 10/3- Sierra Silver Mine, Wallace, Idaho- all school, all day

## **Upcoming Events**

- 9/10- Chess Club 3:15-4:15, McD's hot lunch
- 9/12- Bike Rodeo @ Pioneer, 1-3bring bike & helmet

## **Community Events**

- 9/19-21: ValleyFest @Mirabeau Park- Betty will be there running a Pioneer Booth on Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup>. Stop by and say hi.
- Spokane Interstate Fair is going on now through Sunday, 9/14. Show your children the animals, giant pumpkins, recycling activities, and the bee man.
- Planning a family trip this fall- how about a trip to Stonerose Fossil Fields in Republic, WA?- http://stonerosefossil.org/