



# Eagle's Cry

The Paonia Elementary School Newsletter

November 28, 2017



## Mark Your Calendar

### December

- 12/4- 6:00 PPO Meeting
- 12/9- 11-4 Gingerbread House Decorating at Town Hall
- 12/11- 6:00 PES Winter Program
- 12/14- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Counts Competition
- 12/19- End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- 12/20-1/3- Christmas Vacation

### January

- 1/3- No School for students-teacher workday
- 1/4- First day back to school
- 1/9- 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter report cards sent home

## Information in the Office

There are flyers available at the front office for the following programs:

- ✓ Good News Club
- ✓ 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ski Passport

## School News

### Wounded Warrior Dodgeball

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual PHS Winter Warrior Dodgeball Tournament is this Wednesday at 6:30. All proceeds will be donated to benefit local veterans programs. Teams can sign up with Mrs. Allen at PHS (\$20 per team). A chili supper will be served from 5:00-6:30 in the PHS commons.

### Gingerbread Houses in Paonia

This year PES will again be sponsoring the children's gingerbread house creation station during the Paonia Holiday Festival. Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, come to the Paonia Town Hall from 11:00-4:00 to create and decorate a gingerbread house. If you can donate any of the following items, please bring them to the PES office by Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. We need graham crackers, red vines, animal crackers, Chex cereal, dots, pretzels, red hots, M&Ms, smarties, mints, and small candy canes. We could use volunteers to help build the gingerbread houses on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 4:00 in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

### Holiday Program Bake Sale

This year we will have a bake sale after the Holiday Program. Families are asked to bring a baked item for the sale. Just like for the school BBQ, we are asking families to donate items by their last name. Here's the list:

- Last name A-D: Cookies, jams or jellies, salsas
- Last name E-H: Pies or cakes
- Last name I-M: Quick bread, sweet rolls, etc.
- Last name N-R: Fudge, coated popcorn/pretzels, etc.
- Last name S-Z: Desert bars, cupcakes, brownies, muffins

If you have a favorite family holiday recipe, please feel free to bring that instead of the items listed above.

### Principal's Message

I hope that everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday with your families and friends! With just over three weeks until Christmas vacation, and we are settling into the holiday season at PES. Ms. Witt, our music and band teacher, is preparing the students for this year's holiday program on December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 at the high school gym. The program that the K-5 PES students will be performing is called, "On With the Snow." There will be an additional performance by our 6<sup>th</sup> grade band. We will be hosting a bake sale after the program so that your family may stock up on sweets to get you through the holiday season. Our PPO will also be auctioning off a Paonia Eagles basket. This is a great opportunity to fill refresh your school spirit items for students and adults, all while supporting our ongoing campus improvements. It promises to be another fun-filled holiday program with many adorable performances by students, young and old! We can't wait to see you there!

Now that we've been in session for almost half a year, please take the time to tour our hallways and see the wonderful student writing and artwork displayed on the hallway walls of our building. Our students have been very productive, and would love to show off their work!

### Fridays are School Spirit Days!

Show your school spirit every Friday by wearing our school colors – red and black. Of course if you have Paonia Elementary School shirts you should wear those, but any red and black is great to wear! Check at the office for information on how to order Paonia Elementary clothing.

### Paonia Parent Organization (PPO)

At our last PPO meeting we reviewed the current status of our landscape design project. We are awaiting the last round of recommendations from the architect before we present our plan to the district office. We also discussed current fundraisers and plans for the holiday. The PPO made approximately \$3,000 on the Yankee Candle fundraiser. Our next fundraisers are the Gingerbread Houses on sale during the Paonia Holiday Fair on December 9<sup>th</sup>, and the bake sale during the school holiday program on December 11<sup>th</sup>. There is interest in sponsoring a Turkey Trot 5K race during Thanksgiving 2018.

Our next meeting is Dec 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at school to finalize plans for our holiday activities. Childcare is provided.

### Morning Student Drop-Off Procedures

If you are parking in the morning to bring your children into school, please use a parking spot on the East side of the parking lot, or pull as far forward as possible at our curb. We would like to save as much curb space in front of the building as possible for parents that are just doing a 'drive-by' drop off. Drop-offs should happen at the curb, not in the middle of the lot. Mr. Cox will be opening car doors from 7:45-8:00 on most mornings for families doing a drop off in the parking lot.

### Parent Involvement Drawing

After reading this *Eagle's Cry*, please fill out the coupon below with the names of each child in your family and return it to school. PPO sponsors this drawing to encourage parent involvement. Each child in the winning family receives \$1. Thanks for being a faithful reader!

Please cut off the coupon on this line.

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I've read the November 28<sup>th</sup> Eagle's Cry. Please enter this coupon in the newsletter drawing.

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(Names of children)

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