

Nov. 4, 2019 Welcome to the PTA e-news blast!

Once a week on Mondays, the Edgewood PTA will provide you with the latest news on upcoming events, volunteer needs, success stories and people appreciations. We promise these e-mails will be timely, concise and keep you well-informed of Edgewood and Edgewood-related happenings! To keep up with the news, visit the PTA Website: edgewoodpta.com

Reminder about no school days!

This is a short school week—there is no school this Thursday and Friday. Also, Monday is a no-school day as it is Veteran's Day. Have a happy long weekend!

Outdoor School this week

Our 5th graders have headed off to outdoor school! They will be there Monday-Thursday. We can't wait to hear all of their stories, songs and adventures when they get back!

Wednesday, November 6th is our monthly Walk & Roll to School Day: We encourage you to have your child walk, bike, skate, scoot, carpool or ride the bus to and from school. If you live a long way from school, try parking a 10 minute (or more) walk away from school and walking the rest of the way with your child. We will try and send these reminders out each month to remind us all to drive less and move more!

Harvest Lunch – November 21 – Mark your calendars!

Our annual tradition of a harvest lunch is happening once again on Thursday, November 21. This is one of our favorite community gathering events where family members can join their kids for a special lunch. We will be sending out more details soon regarding menu, cost and schedule.

Want to help with Harvest Lunch?

We are looking for people to help set up, serve and clean up at our Harvest Lunch. Volunteers can also take a break from helping out to join their kids for lunch. Please let the office know if you are interested in helping that day.

Next PTA meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 19—special presentation!

PTA meets Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Edgewood Library. Childcare is free in the cafeteria. November's meeting includes a special presentation by Jan Smith about the organization, Peace for Our Children. This is a small grass-roots, non-partisan, non-denominational group of people who want to influence three areas of concern: Gun safety, Climate justice and Immigration reform.

The PTA will also hear a report from the principal and a teacher. Everyone is welcome!

Picture Retakes – November 15

Pictures will be coming home soon! Our picture retake day is scheduled for Friday, November 15.

Shirt Orders coming home soon!

Many of you have been asking about your t-shirt/hoodie orders. Shirts will come home at the end of this week or early next week!

Donations for Thanksgiving Boxes

Every year our Edgewood community comes together to create Thanksgiving meal boxes for 25-30 Edgewood Families. More detailed information on how we could use your help will be coming out via email soon. Please consider donating items listed on our attached Thanksgiving grocery list or making a cash donation to support this endeavor! Non-perishable items can be brought into the office at any time. Due to lack of space, **we cannot take perishable items until the week of Thanksgiving.**

Share the Warmth Coat Drive – November 18-22!

It's cold out there! Please set aside any gently used coats and jackets that are no longer being used by your kids. Edgewood will take them and offer them to families who could use those extra layers.

One more chance for after school String Academy! Class may be cancelled by next week...

Your child can learn to play the violin, viola, or cello! The Eugene-Springfield Youth Orchestras (ESYO) offers classes right here at Edgewood after school: 3:05-4:00 on Tu/Th in the music room. And they provide the instruments! ***But we need 10 students to keep the class open! Please tell your friends – it's very fun and so rewarding!***

Prorated amount of \$50 off if you sign up now! Plus, scholarships are available for any family that needs one as part of the registration: <https://esyorchestras.org/string-academy-registration/>. Your child can attend even if you haven't made payment arrangements or found out about financial aid.

You can call the ESYO office with questions: 541-484-0474.

String Academy opens the door to the joy of making music, with benefits that can last a lifetime!

Play in the Rain Day fun for the whole family!

Play in the Rain Day 2019

Saturday, November 9th, 10 am-3 pm

Mount Pisgah Arboretum, FREE!

Looking for a fun way to spend time outside with your family this fall? Then you should go to Play in the Rain Day. Activities will include hayrides, nature crafts, hikes, campfire cookery, archery, and much more! Parking and all activities are free. Rain or shine!

Sponsored by the Youth in Nature Partnership. For more info, call (541) 222-9241 or visit www.youthinnature.org.

Appreciations

Thank you to everyone who has designated the Edgewood PTA for Amazon Smile!

Did you know your purchases at Amazon can help out the Edgewood PTA. Here is the link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/99-0375925>

Thank you to **everyone** who has offered to take on volunteer positions at our school—your support is greatly appreciated!

We'll see you in the breezeways,
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Julia McMorrان, PTA co-president
Shaun Haskins, PTA vice-president
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