



Kestrel Chronicle

Columbia River Elementary School
Robin Hay, Principal

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.



November 2020

Principally speaking . . .

Dear Kestrels,

We continue to appreciate all the work that parents are doing during these circumstances. We know that what is happening is not normal education. Kudos to students, staff, and parents for all their flexibility in making learning happen.

The Benton Franklin Health Department has changed their stance a bit on in person or blended learning. Thank you for completing the survey on your preference for your child as to educational venue. We will be developing schedules and plans to continue to serve students through online or blended learning. Our staff is extremely conscientious in their approach to safety and health of those on site.

I can assure that our custodians take pride in their cleaning routines throughout the building. Our schedules for student movement and health safety in the building are very detailed. Our classroom staff work hard to ensure the best learning experience for children, whether they are on site or at home.

We are developing detailed checklists for when we have more than 20 students on site. Our number one priority is your child's safety. Please contact me at school, if you have specific questions or concerns.

Our PTO is up and running! We have wonderful officers who want to build a culture that is welcoming to all in the building. We are happy to partner with those parents as well as all our parents! Thank you to the team that has stepped up for planning.

At the time of writing this article, we are finishing up our Pumpkin Decorating Contest among classes. Winners coming soon. Also, thank you to all who participated in the Costume Walk on October 30 and those who submitted a decorated paper pumpkin on October 23.


The weather is changing quickly, so please consider the weather forecast when sending students to school and as we move closer to in person learning. As we are allowed, we will open up more areas of the building and playground.

It is nice to see each of you as you access the foyer for pick up and drop off of materials.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hay



P.T.O. Meeting 6:00 p.m.—virtual	3
Blended Learning In-Person Start Date K, 1st, 2nd grades 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. A Group Students	9
On-line Book Fair	9 - 22
Veterans Day No classes held	11
Blended Learning In-Person Start Date K, 1st, 2nd grades 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. B Group Students	12
Blended Learning In-Person Start Date 3rd, 4th, 5th grades 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. A Group Students	16
Blended Learning In-Person Start Date 3rd, 4th, 5th grades 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. B Group Students	19
Individual Picture Day Group A students	24
 Happy Thanksgiving	26
Thanksgiving Break No classes held	27
End of 1st Trimester	30



Columbia River P.T.O.

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Monthly P.T.O. Meeting

The next monthly P.T.O. meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

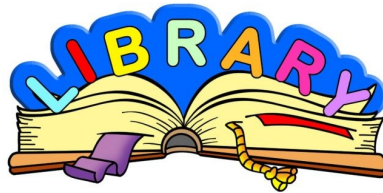
UPCOMING EVENTS

- Harvest Basket Auction
- Thankful Coloring Page/Turkey

2020-2021 Board Members

President.....Holly Woolf
 Vice President.....Jenn Dorset
 Treasurer.....Sandra Guzman
 Secretary.....Samantha Cowan

If you are interested in being involved, please contact us at kestrelpridepto@gmail.com.



Thank you, Columbia River parents, for supporting your *children's reading advancement!* We have had 148 books checked out so far and more on hold! Thank you for assisting your children in the online process of putting books on hold, finding asynchronous instructional videos and driving them over to the school to pick up their books.

If you haven't checked out a book already, it is not too late to start today! Just log in to destiny.psd1.org with your child's username and password (same one they use to log in to their computer), have them choose two books, click HOLD and come to the school on Tuesday or Friday to pick up the books. You may return them a week after pick-up to the book return box in the foyer. Please remember to leave the books you are returning in your book bag. The books will be set aside for 96 hours before the next person may check the books out. You will get your book bag back when you check out more books.



We will be holding our first ever ONLINE BOOK FAIR this November 9 – November 22, 2020!!! Don't miss this opportunity to build up your home library or do some Christmas shopping.

Simply copy and paste this link into your browser
<https://efairs.follettbookfairs.com/guest/home?classCode=MDP7R>

Code: MDP7R

25% of the proceeds will go towards purchasing more library books for our school.

Thank you and see you all soon!

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Kestrel Traits

- K = Kindness**
- E = Effort**
- S = Supportive**
- T = Teamwork**
- R = Resourceful**
- E = Empathy**
- L = Leadership**