



# DISCOVERY ROUND-UP



Discovery Elementary

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Mike Dudley, Principal

February, 2008

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- March 31** Book Fair Begins!  
10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- April 1** Book Fair 8:30am-4:30pm
- April 2** Book Fair 8:30am-7:30pm  
**Late Night Art Walk 4:00-7:30**  
Butter Braid Fundraiser Begins
- April 2** 5th Grade Tour  
Heritage Middle School
- April 3** Book Fair Ends 8:30am-  
**10:00am**
- April 4** No School!  
Parent/Teacher Conferences
- April 11** Kindergarten Skills Session  
Drop In anytime between 9-11
- April 21** Last Day to turn in Butter Braid  
Order Forms!!!
- April 23** Kindergarten Registration 9-3  
Appointment Required!!!
- May 9** Butter Braid Orders go Home!
- May 26** Memorial Day-No School
- June 4** Last Day of School!!!  
AM Kindergarten 9:05-11:05  
PM Kindergarten 11:35-1:40  
Grades 1-5 9:05-1:40  
**All day Kindergarten 9:05-1:40**

## Principal Tribute

Building effective partnerships between our staff, parents and community is imperative and appreciated. These relationships allow us to extend learning opportunities for our precious students. Each of these individuals impacts the other. They are, therefore, interdependent on one another which results in the opportunity to realize a child's full potential.

Building effective partnerships is a culture that requires a high degree of mutual respect and communication among students, staff members, and parents. I commend each of you for being willing to display open and honest communication. Agreements and successful opportunities have been attained from our partnerships.

Thank you for being willing to work together to support your child's learning environment. "A Successful partnership will benefit your child today and in years to come."

Thank you for a great year and a productive partnership!!!

Respectfully,

Mike Dudley ☺



# Art Walk Wednesday

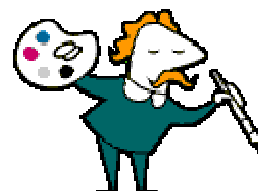
Come and join us Wednesday, April 2nd for our Spring Book Fair and Art Walk Wednesday! 4:30pm-7:30pm.

Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

Student Art Work will be available for purchase in every hall. Come and take a walk and find your favorite Picasso, Van Gogh, Warhol, Munsch, and much, much more!

Individual masterpieces will be available for purchase-25¢ each. It's the bargain of a lifetime!

Bring the whole family (and your checkbook!) for an evening of books, culture, music, art, and of course a little something for your sweet tooth!



*Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!!!*

Winco Foods      Tony Roma's

California Tan Company

Fred Myers      Ram Restaurant

Lowes      Roaring Springs

Johnny Carino's      Cash & Carry

Costa Vida      Fuddruckers

Dr. Gold's Orthodontics

Qdoba      Target      Port of Subs

Becky Roberts Stampin' R O

White Water Pizza      R.C. Willey

Applebee's      Costco

Dr. Merriman's Pediatric Dentistry

*For your donations to our Sock Hop!!!*

# News from our Discovery PTO

The Sock Hop was once again a huge success. We got to host a family night out and raise money for our school. The baskets turned out absolutely fabulous!!! **We raised over \$3,000!** We also discovered we have some very talented Hula Hoopers at our school! I thought some of them would Hula all night long if they could! In the end, we had two winners for K-2 and three winners for grade 3-5. Our winners are:

K-2 Clarissa Goff and Cassidy Quick

3-5 Kirsten Ahrend, Maggie Giso, and Stephanie Hall

I had a blast and hope you all did too! Thank you to all who volunteered to help! We could not have made this night as fun and exciting without you!

We look forward to seeing everybody again next year!!!

Sincerely,

Colette Stroud, PTO President



We will be doing a Butter Braid Frozen Pastry Dough Fundraiser starting on April 3rd. Samples will be available on Wednesday night at the Book Fair/Art Walk, come and try them out. All proceeds will benefit the Discovery Elementary PTO. Several different flavors are available! \$10 each. Can be frozen up to 6 months!!! They will be ready for pick up May 9th - just in time for MOTHER'S DAY! What a yummy treat for breakfast in bed!

## Kindergarten registration is in full swing!

If you have not already picked up a Kindergarten Registration Packets, they are available in our front office! Tuition Kindergarten contracts are also available now.

Important Dates to Remember:

Friday, April 11th, 9:00-11:00a.m.

Bring your child (no siblings please!) and see what skills your child needs to know for success in kindergarten. You and your child will have many different stations to rotate through. It will take about 20 minutes. You do not need an appointment!

Monday, April 14th, Tuition kindergarten open to all!

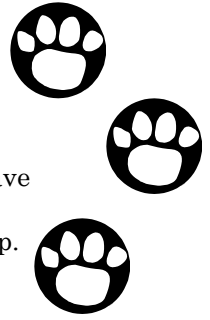
Wednesday, April 23rd, 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Kindergarten Registration APPOINTMENT REQUIRED!!!

\*\*Items required for registration: ORIGINAL Birth Certificate, proof of immunizations, proof of residency.

## 5th Grade Field Trip to Heritage Middle School

On Wednesday, April 2nd, the 5th graders will be going to Heritage Middle School where they'll eat lunch, get a tour of the school, and have a question and answer time. Lunch menus were recently given to your 5th grader. If you haven't returned this yet, please have your child choose their lunch menu and return it with payment in an envelope to their teacher. Also, please make sure you have your permission slips turned in for the field trip. The students will be gone from 10:30 to 12:45.



### Calling All Parents!

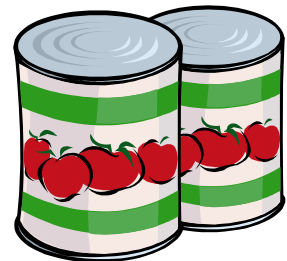
There will be a Town Hall Meeting on underage drinking on Tuesday, April 1st, in the Meridian Middle School Auditorium. There will be an Open House from 6:30-7:00pm to gather information. A Presentation will follow from 7:00-8:00pm. Please consider attending this important meeting. Alcohol is the leading cause of death among youth and recently the age of first use of alcohol among those who abuse it has fallen to 9 years

### New Parent Information Class

A book study class, Yes, Your Teen is Crazy, will begin April 8th at Heritage Middle School in the library from 7:00-8:30pm. Look for the flyer going home with 5th graders. Call Ann at 350-5072 to register.

### Food Drive

Discovery Elementary will be participating, along with other schools, in the Meridian Kiwanis's Club Easter Basket of Need Program to collect food for the Idaho Food Bank. Students and Staff may bring food March 31st through April 25th. Please bring non-perishable food in containers other than glass. After the food is collected and weighed, the top 3 schools collecting the most will win a cash prize awarded at a pizza party May 6th at the Idaho Pizza Company in Meridian.



### ISAT Testing

3rd through 5th graders will be taking their ISAT tests between April 14th to May 9th. Helpful hints:

- Encourage your children to do their best.
- Encourage them to take the tests seriously, but not to worry or be overly anxious about not doing well.
- Eat a good breakfast during their test times.
- Get lots of rest!

If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Chapman, the school counselor.

### Attendance Requirements

Recently you *may* have received a letter home regarding your child's absences and tardies.

*“Joint School District No. 2 defines elementary school attendance as missing not more than six (6) days per semester. Arriving late, up to 1 1/2 hours after the beginning of school or leaving up to 1 1/2 hours before the end of the school day will be considered the same as a tardy. When a student misses over 1 1/2 hours of instructional time this becomes an absence. “Excessive” tardies is defined as more than five tardies.”*

If your child needs to leave for a doctor or dentist appointment, please get an excuse from them as it provides a waiver towards their attendance. Please feel free to call the office at any time if you have questions! We're here to help you!