

Franklin Randall School Newsletter

Brought to you by the Parent Teacher Organization— Next meeting 01/12/2010 Randall School

Honor the Work of Dr. Martin Luther King



- 1-Practice peace.
- 2-Participate in community service.
- 3-Talk about what peace looks like in your home, your school, your neighborhood, and your city. Sing the Peacemakers song.
- 4- Make new friends in new places. Visit the elderly or infirmed. Attend a program or volunteer at a neighborhood center.

5- Love the earth. Donate gently used items to Goodwill or Saint Vinnies. Pick up litter in your neighborhood.

6- With your family read aloud or listen to a Dr. King speech. (Google Dr. King.) Talk and learn about eradicating racism. Celebrate the richness and wonder of all peoples of the earth.

7- Stand up. Speak up and support others. Write a letter to the newspapers about an issue you care about.

8- Practice and teach compassion and empathy.

9-Attend a Martin Luther King event at the State Capitol, 12 p.m. on 1/18/2010 or attend the Free Community dinner at 4:30 p.m. Gordon Commons on Friday, 1/15/2010.

10- Sing in the Community Choir at the City of Madison MLK Celebration at the Over-
ture Center at 6pm on 1/18/2010 (Practice is at Mt Zion, 2019 Fisher St. on Sat 1/8 at
11am and Tues 1/12)

Super Science Saturday Needs YOU!!

Would your child enjoy learning about being a scientist in Antarctica, playing with bubbles to learn about physics, or meeting live animals from Henry Vilas Zoo?

Super Science Saturday is in need of more people to help plan this fun and educational community building event! The only "science" prerequisite is a willingness to help!

This will be the fourth year for this event at our schools, and in order to keep this event going, we need more parents or teachers to recruit presenters, registration, publicity, and more. We will find a job to match your availability.

Please contact Karen Richardson at 238-0939 or kbiesmann@gmail.com and/or attend our kick off meeting on Thursday, January 14 at Randall School at 6:30 pm. (room assignment to be determined)

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"Yes, if you want to say that I was a drum major. Say that I was a drum major for justice. Say that I was a drum major for peace. I was a drum major for righteousness. And all of the other shallow things will not matter." Martin Luther King, *1968 Year In Review*, UPI.com

Two Bottle Tops — Pop!

All Franklin Elementary kids are creating two bottle cap pieces of artwork. One for the Children's Museum and one to take home. Each student's bottle cap will be pressed into one of the pillars of plaster inside the new Children's Museums. This week we are doing preliminary sketches and next week each student chooses his or her two favorite pieces of art.

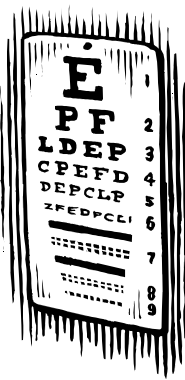
PTO MEETING THIS TUESDAY!

Next Tuesday evening, January 12, 2010, at 6:30 pm, the PTO will meet in the Randall School Library. We will be listening to updates from fundraising activities and about the Olive Jones project. The principals will report, and there should be some time for members to ask questions or bring up new or mature issues. If you want to be on the agenda, just let me know. Otherwise, I hope to see many of you at Randall next Tuesday. We need your voice.

Suzanne Buchko, PTO President

Vision Screening a Success at Randall

Thanks to four helpful parent volunteers, vision screening for all Randall third and fifth graders was accomplished on December 8th. Thank you Sari Judge, Monica Messina, Mary Moran, and Michelle Rameker for devoting your entire morning to this cause. Only parents whose child **did not** pass this screening will receive a letter of referral from the health office in the mail.



FRANKLIN-RANDALL WINTER CARNIVAL

Saturday, February 13, 2010 at Randall School, 11:30 – 3pm

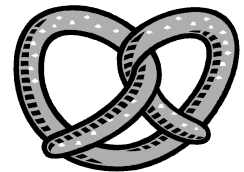
Plan to join us for a great Franklin-Randall Community Event, the Winter Carnival on Sat. Feb. 13th. We'll have food, prizes, games, a Bounce House, face painting, a Valentine-making station, a cake-walk and lots of other treats, and many other surprises. More information will come in January.

WE NEED YOU to make this event possible (and fun for everyone). We will need lots of volunteers. Get first dibs on assignments by volunteering early! Contact Melissa Scholz or Julia Stanley at frcarnival@gmail.com or 250-2681 (Melissa's phone).

Please let Amy (amypoland@charter.net, 260-8626) or Melissa Scholz (frcarnival@gmail.com) know if you can help. Thanks and we look forward to working and playing with you at the Carnival!

Yoga for Older Kids will be starting up again on Thursdays afternoons the first week in February. Parents can look in the Friday folder soon for details and registration form. Thanks!

Robin Nathan, 442-7297



Talented & Gifted Plan Updates

I wanted to let you know that the December TAG Plan updates have been posted on the TAG website (listed under "Updates"). They are the updates that the Board of Education received as well.

http://tagweb.madison.k12.wi.us/files/tag/BOE_Midyear_status_report-Jan2010.pdf

Thanks so much for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you in the new year.

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- 1/12/2010 PTO Meeting, Randall 6:30 p.m.
- 1/14/2010 PAAS Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Franklin
- 1/17/2010 Martin Luther King Youth Recognition Breakfast, Edgewood HS 8 a.m.
- <http://www.ulgm.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- 1/18/2010 Martin Luther King Day of Service for Middle and High School students, 8 a.m. Monona Terrace
- <http://www.ulgm.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- 1/18/2010 Martin Luther King Day-No School
- 1/22/2010 Music Performance, K-8:45 a.m., 1st & 2nd-10 a.m.
- 2/13/2010 Franklin Randall Carnival