



Hiteon Hawk Squawk!

Hiteon Elementary School PTC Newsletter

December 2013

President's Message

Happy Holidays Everyone!

Winter Break is rapidly approaching and it seems like the school year just started. We continue to be amazed by what a fabulous school community we have at Hiteon. There was a lot of support for McTeacher's Night. It was fun to see McDonald's filled to the brim with Hiteon staff, families, and friends. Continued thanks to our wonderful volunteers. The volunteer hour count is already over 4000 hours. A big thank you to our First VP's (Sue Smith and Ilirija Encinas) for all their hard work with sourcing as well as handling orders for our new Hiteon T-Shirts.

Winter parties are on December 20th. Please remember a school district background check is required whether you are helping with the party or just attending as a guest. You can visit the hiteonptc.org website for Room Party Guidelines. Contact your teacher or PTC Volunteer Coordinators (volcoord@hiteonptc.org) if you are interested in helping and they will refer you to the Head Room Party Volunteer.

Need an idea for pampering a Hiteon staff member? There is a "Staff Favorites" folder located in the PTC Room that can help you out.

Mark your 2014 calendars for some fun events coming up in the New Year -- Valentine's parties and Bingo Night are in February!.

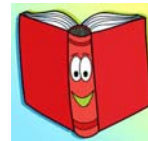
Wishing you a wonderful holiday season, and looking forward to seeing students back January 6th refreshed and ready for the New Year.

Cathy Manor and Stacie Ayers
Co-PTC Presidents

SCIENCE FAIR

The Science Fair will be on Thursday, March 13th, 2014 and still needs volunteers for all positions!

If you would like to help, please go to the Help Counter to sign up!



Reading Incentive

"Go For The Gold" is in full force at Hiteon! Each month hours are tallied helping your student earn prizes and recognition for reading.

ANYTHING your child reads counts! If they read the cereal box at breakfast, the street signs on the way to school, books before bed, books for class.....the possibilities are endless!

Simply get a tally sheet from your child's teacher or download one from the PTC website at www.hiteonptc.org under forms, record the hours read and put the completed sheets in the basket in your child's classroom.

BINGO

The Bingo Committee is gearing up for one of Hiteon's most fabtastic community events!!! Bingo Night is slated for Friday, February 28th '14 and we'll need plenty of volunteers for set-up, breakdown, greeting and Bingo card distribution, prize monitoring and more. Also, if you have any contacts for possible prizes or wish to contribute then please let us know. You can contact Suzanne Griffiths (osgriffiths@frontier.com) or Lisa Kraemer (2142lisa@gmail.com). Sign up for volunteer shifts for before, during, and after Bingo Night on Helpcounter! Hiteon Bingo Night is a fun, family event- even if you don't get to yell "BINGO"!!!!



POPCORN FRIDAYS



Here are the dates for Popcorn Fridays, so mark your calendars!

- Jan 24 - Fri
- Feb 21 - Fri
- Mar 21 - Fri
- Apr 24 - Thursday (No school Friday)
- May 16 - Fri

Contact Melynda Stitt at stittfam5@hotmail.com if you are interested in selling popcorn after school!





News from Passport

The passport program has been going great so far this school year. We have seen more students making an effort to study all passport levels that are assigned to them plus the special itinerary, especially the 5th graders-most of the students have passed all 5 levels.

Sometimes it is easier for kids to study passport with their siblings or an adult. We know this is an extra curriculum and sometimes with all of the extra activities that happen after school, it is hard for kids to do additional homework. We ask that parents please encourage your child to study passport even if it is just the 1st level.

Also thank you so much to all the parents who volunteer their time on passport check day to make the passport program a success. Passport check day is on the 3rd Thursday of every month, please sign up on help counter to help out. The more volunteers the merrier.



Third Grade Math Labs

The third grade math labs program is up and running! Every Wednesday morning a group of volunteers meet with the third graders and help them practice their math problem solving skills.

It is not too late to volunteer if you would like to be involved in this enrichment program. For more information on volunteering or just to learn more about the program itself, please visit the Hiteon PTC website: <http://hiteonptc.org/our-enrichment-programs/3rd-grade-math-labs/>

Thank you!

Updates from your Volunteer Coordinators

Most of you probably know by now that you can find your volunteer badges in the workroom next to the office. If you can't find yours or you still need a badge please email the volunteer coordinators at: volcoord@hiteonptc.org

CLASSROOM PARTIES ARE Dec. 20th.

**YOU MUST HAVE A
COMPLETED BACKGROUND
CHECK TO ATTEND YOUR
CHILDS OR GRANDCHILDS
PARTY!!! NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

If you need a background check please go to www.hiteonptc.org and click the BSD link.

Check with your teachers and make sure that they have enough help for their parties. Or just to see if they need any extra help anytime.

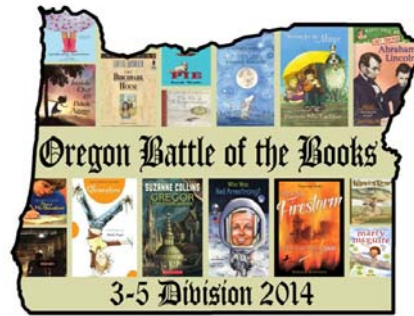
The budget for the classroom parties can be found in the PTC room if you are not certain as to how much is available. The budget is \$2 per child/ per party=\$6 per child per year. The food and party guidelines can now also be found at the Hiteon PTC website. Please keep all your receipts and don't forget to fill out a reimbursement form.

www.hiteonptc.org

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Hiteon Bingo night is February 28th. Please be on the lookout for volunteer sign up emails. Or go to HelpCounter at the Hiteon PTC website and sign up. Bingo night is another chance for Hiteon families to come together and have a great time. Also, this event is a big fundraiser for the 5th grade end of the year activities.

ATTENTION ALL 3RD, 4TH, and 5TH GRADERS!!



The Oregon Battle of the Books is a voluntary reading program that culminates in an exciting quiz-style tournament using questions created from the official list of 16 books selected for 2013-2014 by the OBOB Committee. The competition at Hiteon is open to all interested 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders who form a team with other students from their classroom. If your child is interested in participating, please have them let their class teacher know the members of their team and the name they've chosen before Winter Break. For more information about OBOB at Hiteon and the 3-5 Division Book List, please see your child's teacher or the PTC website (hiteonptc.org) for a brochure. Classroom battles will begin in January 2014. Happy Reading!!

DID YOU MISS THE DECEMBER DEADLINE?

Not to worry! We will be placing another order for t-shirts and sweatshirts in January.

Order Deadline: Friday, January 10th

(apparel will be distributed by the end of January)



T-Shirts: Youth (XS-XL) = \$9 Adult (S-XL) = \$9 Adult (XXL+) = \$11
Ladies (XS-XL) = \$11 Ladies (XXL+) = \$13

Sweatshirts: Youth (XS-XL) = \$20 Adult (S-XL) = \$20 Adult (XXL+) = \$22

PLEASE COMPLETE THE ORDER FORM (available on the PTC website)

AND RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO HITEON PTC.

This is not a fundraiser. Apparel pricing has been generously provided at cost AND graphic design, digital garment printing and production costs have been donated for this project by Good Seam, LLC. The PTC greatly appreciates their time and creativity!





McTeacher's NIGHT.

Thank you Hiteon families for supporting your teachers and staff at the November 21st McTeacher Night. Cookies and apples were flying off the trays so fast, McDonald's couldn't keep up with the sales! McDonald's provided Hiteon with a check for **\$1069**, that will be divided among the staff accounts for the following teachers and staff who participated that night:

Jennifer Oordt	Gretchen Humphrey	Jenny Rogers
Valerie Sinnott	Tom Steiwer	Courtney Walker
Helen Grealish	Alison Marr	Sarah Hamilton
Tami Redman	Traci Chelf	Jenn Klingner

A big thank you to Hiteon's families and the community for participating, and also to McDonald's for sponsoring this event. Mark your calendars for **Thursday, March 20th**, when we'll give a new set of teachers/staff a chance to earn some extra spending money!



Box Tops & Labels For Education Winners

Thank you to all the wonderful parents, students and teachers for collecting Box Tops and Labels for our school. Keep up the good work! Here are the results of our contest. And the winners are:



Kindergarten/1st grade - Sonnen
2nd/3rd grade - Snell
4th/5th grade - Humphrey



Congratulations!! Your special treat will be awarded in January.