

# The Madrona K-8 "Friday Flyer"

## March 15 -21, 2010

A weekly calendar to keep you informed of what's happening.  
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### Up & Coming MARCH

**12<sup>th</sup>** – Family Bingo night  
**15<sup>th</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester begins.  
**19<sup>th</sup>** – Professional Development Day – NO SCHOOL  
**20<sup>th</sup>** – Neighborhood Appreciation Day  
**25<sup>th</sup>** – Dine out for Madrona Day  
**29<sup>th</sup>** – April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Spring Break – NO SCHOOL

**TONIGHT – March 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM – Family Bingo Night!**

**Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

- New trimester begins

**Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

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**Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

- School dismissed at 2:35
- Strategies for Success 6-8 PM.

**Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

- 10:30 Global Reading Challenge Semi-finals

**Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

- NO SCHOOL – Teacher Professional Development Day

**Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**

- 10 AM Neighborhood Appreciation Day

**Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

### PTSA NEWS EVENTS

The PTSA will host two upcoming events, Bingo night on March 12<sup>th</sup> and Neighborhood Appreciation Day on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 10-12 in the school library. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

### Garden News

Beginning February 7<sup>th</sup>, the first Sunday of each month there will be a garden clean up party 12-2PM. This year three classes and an Islandwood representative are using our learning garden.

### SAVE THE DATE! Dine Out for Madrona K-8 Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

Madrona restaurants along 34th Avenue will be donating a portion of their proceeds to support our student enrichment programs. Come out with your friends and family! Wear your Madrona shirts to show pride in your school!

### REMINDER - PLEASE READ

**There will be NO SCHOOL this Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup> and the school building will be closed to students. Please make alternate plans for your student.**

### Global Reading Challenge

Congratulations to our two Madrona teams who competed in the initial stage of the Reading Challenge –

**The Red Hots** – Danielle, Anna, Bethlehem, Mya, and Betel  
And

**The Power Readers** – Max, Faisal, Surafel, Debra, Kiaya & Teonna

The Power Readers will now represent Madrona at the Semi-Final Competition at the downtown library on March 18<sup>th</sup>!

### Uniform Reminder

Shirts worn under uniform shirts may be navy or white only. Leggings or tights worn under skirts or jumpers may be white, navy or tan only. Thanks for your help with this.

## Middle School Sports

All middle school sports teams (boy's soccer, girl's volleyball and co-ed track and field) practice Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:45 – 5 PM.

## Donations Needed

Our track team needs uniforms! If you can help with a donation, please contact Coach Washington at 252-3100.

## Family Support and Community Partnership

*You are invited to participate* in Mayor Mike McGinn's Youth and Families Initiative, a major initiative announced during his inaugural address.

The children and families of our city are facing many difficult challenges. As a community, we need to talk about what we want for our kids and how best to create a healthy, positive and equitable environment for all families in our city.

### Meeting Dates—Places—Times

Monday	February 22	@ Rainier Community Center	7:00-8:30 p.m.
Monday	March 1	@ Northgate Elementary School	7:00-8:30 p.m.
Monday	March 8	@ Van Asselt Elementary School	7:00-8:30 p.m.
Monday	March 15	@ Denny Middle School	7:00-8:30 p.m.
Monday	March 22	@ Garfield Community Center	7:00-8:30 p.m.

## Free Tax Help

If your household income is less than \$49,000 a year, you can get free tax help at IRS offices, many of which are open Saturdays through 4/15. For more information call 800-829-1040 or go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

## eScrip Fundraiser

The Madrona Panther Partners and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority MARCH4eSCRIP FUNDRAISER starts today! You should have your GROCERY CLUB CARD POWER REGISTRATION LOG to use to sign up family, friends and neighbors' Safeway Club Card numbers. Then each time they shop, Safeway donates \$ to our PTSA! It is as simple as that! Our goal this year is to add 99 new subscribers.

## Principal Selection Update

Over the last few weeks, a large group of parents and staff (the preparation team) have been gathering feedback from students, families, and staff regarding the attributes we want in our next principal. We have completed that process, as well as developed three questions to include in the interview.

The school district has been pre-screening candidates for principals. The district finished the pre-screening last week and, based on the pre-screening results, is determining which candidates will proceed to meeting with schools. The Madrona K-8 principal interview team will begin paper-screening the candidates next week and conduct in-person interviews the following week. We expect to interview between 4 and 6 candidates. We can forward up to 3 candidates to the Superintendent. Dr. Goodloe-Johnson, Chief Academic Officer Susan Enfield, and Ms. Medsker will then conduct a final interview and Ms. Andrews will take the candidates on a school walk-through. Dr. Goodloe-Johnson will make the final selection.

The following individuals are on the school principal interview team: Ruth Medsker, Justin Hendrickson, Thatcher Wood, Letta Steward-Baker, LaNita Thomasson, Victoria Romero, Stephanie Sellers, Demetra Gary, Christina Williams, and Muhammad Yusef. The staff members were selected by the Building Leadership Team, the parents were selected by larger preparation team, the community representative was chosen by the PTSA board, and the student was chosen by the Student Council Advisor. We thank these individuals for their willingness to sacrifice their time to participate in this important process.

## Neighborhood Appreciation Day

Madrona's Neighborhood Appreciation Celebration is Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 10AM – Noon. Donations of baked goods are needed. Please contact the PTSA if you can help – [ptsa@madronapantherpartners.org](mailto:ptsa@madronapantherpartners.org)

## Change for Change

The Madrona Brownie Girl Scouts are collecting change through the end of March to be donated to the Red Cross Haiti Fund. Donation envelopes are in each classroom and in the main office. Please bring your change to help the kids of Haiti.

