



Peter S. Ogden Elementary
Principal Whipple's Weekly Newsletter
January 20th, 2017

Mobile Fresh Food Pantry: Once a month we have a food pantry for our families. This month's pantry is Friday, January 27th from 9:30-10:30. Please head to the covered area. Fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy and meat products are all available. No registration or qualifications needed.

YMCA Legos: Starting on January 31st, the YMCA is offering a 6 week Lego class from 3:00-4:30 for a cost of only \$10. Please contact the YMCA at (360)885-9622 or ymca.org to register. The class ends March 7th.

1, 2, 3, Grow and Learn: If you have a child birth to 5 who is not yet attending elementary school, please join us on Friday mornings in the Media Center from 8:30-10:00 for stories, games, crafts and snacks. This is a free class for children and their caretakers. It is a great opportunity for your child to become comfortable at school and for you to meet other parents in the area.

English & Spanish Parent Coffee with the Principal: Dr. Webb will be attending the English-Speaking Parent Coffee on Friday, January 27th at 8:35 in the Makerspace and the Spanish-Speaking Parent Coffee on Wednesday, January 25th at 8:35 in the Media Center. Please take advantage of this opportunity to come and learn more about the February 14th bond, the impact on voters and the future of PSO. We will have coffee and doughnuts and look forward to seeing many of you there.

Top 12 Facts – If approved by voters, the February 14th bond measure would:

1. Improve and upgrade **every school** in the district.
2. Qualify the district for **state matching funds**.
3. Take advantage of historically **low interest rates**, saving taxpayers money.
4. Remove portables and add permanent classrooms to **relieve overcrowding** and support smaller class sizes.
5. **Replace seven aging schools:** King, Marshall, Ogden, Truman and Walnut Grove elementary schools; McLoughlin Middle School; and Fir Grove; relocate Lieser Campus to a remodeled Marshall school building.
6. Partially **remodel** and/or **enlarge** Columbia River High School, Vancouver School of Arts and Academics, Sacajawea and Franklin elementary schools; **renovate** Kiggins Bowl and Columbia River High School stadiums.
7. **Build** two new elementary schools and a new, consolidated Vancouver iTech Preparatory.
8. Construct **safe and secure school entrances** at schools throughout the district.
9. **Upgrade** roofs, flooring, windows and heating and cooling systems where needed.
10. Add **accessible surfaces** to playgrounds.
11. Modernize facilities to **support technology** needs.
12. Create spaces for **family and community use**.

Upcoming Events:

Jan 23 – One Hour Early Release	Jan 27 – English Parent Coffee with Principal 8:35 AM
Jan 25 – Spanish Parent Coffee with Principal 8:35 AM	Jan 30 – Snow Day Make Up Day – Full Day Attendance
Jan 27 – Popcorn Friday Today!	Jan 31 – YMCA Lego Class Begins 3:00-4:30
Jan 27 – Fresh Food Pantry 9:30-10:30	Jan 31 – iTech Open House 5 th Graders 6:30-7:30 PM