

## MANAGER'S MINUTE

March began with our Breakfast with Books celebration. We had 65 parents and visitors here for breakfast including Dr. Roger Lehnert and school board member, Lee Anne Riddle. Julie Hunter's skit writing and our staff's willingness to be silly were a combined hilarious success. Thank you to all families for sending fruit, cheese, muffins, etc. for our feast. Our tables were overflowing. Kudos to the set-up and clean-up crews. What a morning!

The IditaRead started Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Read with your child(ren) and earn minutes (miles) every night. There are over 40 children participating.

Friday is a Teacher Report Card Prep ½ Day. Students will be released at 11:50 a.m. Yes, we will have lunch at school.

March 10 - 14 is kindergarten registration followed by parent conferences, March 19 - 21. These three days are Early Dismissal and students will be released at 11:50 a.m.

If you are conferencing, remember to have a list of questions you want to ask the teachers. Ask your child about his/her academic concerns. Being prepared in advance will make the conference more beneficial to both you and the teacher.

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS -**

**EARLY RELEASE  
THIS FRIDAY  
MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>**

**STUDENTS LEAVE  
AT 11:50 A.M.**



## FIELD TRIP UPDATE FOR GRADES K - 2<sup>ND</sup>

I wanted to remind you to send your child's permission slip back as soon as possible. We are still looking for two more parents to come with us. It will be fun! Please let us know if you can come.

If you want to have your child eat a school lunch on that day, you will need to order that lunch on Monday, March 10. Ignore the menu for March 14. The standard "field trip" lunch is a peanut butter sandwich.



**FERNDALE ELEMENTARY SPRING TOURNAMENT AND PLAYDAY  
SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2008 AT SKYLINE ELEM., FERNDALE  
JUMP TENT, CLIMBING WALL, BIG PLAYGROUND, and...  
CHESS!**

A chess play day and tournament for chess players of all abilities, kindergarten to 6th grade, beginners to experienced players.

TO ENTER: Advance entry required. Entry fee \$10. Entries must be mailed in with entry fee enclosed, and must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, March 5. Make check payable to Skyline PTO. Mail entries to: Skyline Elem. PTO - Chess, PO Box 905, Ferndale WA 98248

Further information: Visit the F.E.S.T. website and FAQ at <http://mysite.verizon.net/kaech/chessfest08.html> , email [lesliecharlie@comcast.net](mailto:lesliecharlie@comcast.net), or phone 384-0312.

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**2ND ANNUAL ASSUMPTION SCHOOL SPRING CHESS TOURNAMENT FOR  
GRADES K-8  
SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2008, BELLINGHAM  
LAST STATE QUALIFIER IN WHATCOM COUNTY**

Players must register in advance. Entry fee is \$10 and must be postmarked by March 6, 2008. Please make checks payable to Assumption School PTC. Send entries to: Assumption School Chess Club, 2116 Cornwall Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225. On-site entries will be \$15.00. For more information: Peter Witecki, 360-354-6867



## AIMING HIGH NOMINATIONS

*2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students:* The nomination processes for next year's one day a week pullout and every day Aiming High Program will take place between **March 7 and March 31, 2008**. These programs will serve highly capable and talented students who are advanced in the areas of intelligence, creativity, and task commitment. Teachers, parents or community members may nominate students.

*6<sup>th</sup> grade students:* The selection process for Middle School Aiming High Programs will take place between **March 7 and March 31, 2008**. Current Aiming High students will be tested along with other nominated sixth graders. Vista and Horizon will offer an accelerated math class and a full year accelerated science class for seventh grade-accelerated learners who will be identified using a similar process for qualification.

Parents wishing to nominate students should obtain a Parent Nomination form from the school office their child attends or from the Instructional Services Office (phone: 383-9210). The deadline for returning nomination forms to your school office is **Monday, March 31, 2008**

### ANNIE GET YOUR GUN STARTS TONIGHT

Ferndale High School Theatre students will present the musical, "Annie Get Your Gun" with performances beginning this evening at 7:00 p.m.

Other performances will be March 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15<sup>th</sup>. Curtain time is 7:00 p.m. at the Ferndale High auditorium. Tickets are sold at the door. Prices are:

Adults: \$ 10  
Students/Seniors \$ 7  
Children under 6 years - Free

**\*\*FSD EMPLOYEES \$7**



**REMEMBER TO VOTE BY  
MARCH 11TH**