



## HAWKFLASH

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### **Readathon Fall fundraiser**

Thank you to everyone who took part in our November Read-A-Thon!! We raised \$1665 plus \$525 in corporate matching. We didn't reach our fundraising goals but we know this is an unusual time and truly every dollar helps. We are so appreciative of your support and we hope to be able to bring back Read-A-Thon next year.

Best of all, our Hawks did so amazingly well with their reading goals! In just 30 days, collectively they were able to rack up 34,795 minutes and 265 books read!! What an achievement!

We will be sending home certificates of participation and small recognition awards before Winter break.

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If you are going skating at Bellevue Downtown Ice Rink this year, make sure to mention Redmond El PTSA when getting your tickets and we will receive a donation of \$3 per ticket!

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### **Who's up for some fun?**

PTSA is starting up a committee to think up, and put on some fun activities, and we need you! Are you creative and have ideas, great! JOIN US! Are you good at putting ideas in motion, great! JOIN US! Maybe you are both, double great! JOIN US! We want thinkers, doers, and everyone in between.

Join us Tuesday December 14 at 6:30pm! Email [welcome@redmondelptsa.org](mailto:welcome@redmondelptsa.org) for the link. Join the meeting, we will have some fun, and let's figure out some fun for the kids!

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### **Talent show 2021**

Come Cheer on our talented Hawks at the Virtual Talent Show!

Virtual Talent Show is December 9 for Kindergartners-2nd graders and December 10 for 3rd-5th graders. We will start at 6pm sharp! Teachers will be emailing out the link on Thursday, so come cheer on and support our talented Hawks!

Signups are closed, no new acts will be added for this year. If you have signed up please check your email for more details!

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**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!**

### Vision and Hearing Screening Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for December 14 for the Vision and Hearing Screening. Two shifts are available 9am-12pm and 12pm-3pm. Interested parties should email [welcome@redmondptsa.org](mailto:welcome@redmondptsa.org) and include your shift(s) availability.

All in-person volunteers must be approved through LWSD including vaccination verification (new this year). Please go to <https://www.lwsd.org/get-involved/volunteering-in-lwsd> to complete your volunteer forms!



PTSA volunteers are the way that things get done! We have an amazing team running Reflections, Talent Show, Math Challenge and more, but we have other activities that need your skills! Want to share your skills and help with programs, events, and more? Email [welcome@redmondptsa.org](mailto:welcome@redmondptsa.org) and tell us your skills or what you want to help make happen!

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### **The Passport Club!**

#### Geography Enrichment Program for Elementary School

Passport Club is run by PTSA volunteers, we train and test Red El students on their geography knowledge. We have a Distance Learning program available this year. We are going to provide maps online for students to study every month, and on Friday at the end of the month we are going to post test links for students.

Our next Passport Club test is going to be posted on **Dec. 17 in Hawkflash** and will cover November maps. Maps are available

here: <https://passportclubonline.com/online-student-study-maps>. Scroll down to "Monthly Maps", select the current month and put password: **HelloWorld**

We also have a Virtual Classroom, where students can access activities that introduce the countries they will be studying each month.

This is the November link :<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1h1-6oh6e3iZZW8TvHFWtZeSnUYhK9Liv/view>

There is a Map Coloring Guide available in the top left corner, the required password is: **HelloWorldDL**

Our Program overview and schedule is available on PTSA website <https://redmondpts.org/Page/Pta/passport> If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at [passportclub@redmondpts.org](mailto:passportclub@redmondpts.org) .

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## **Math Programs**

### **Math is Cool:**

Calling all students to participate in a team math competition "Math is cool".

*Deadline to register - February 1st*

*Register your team [here](#).*



### **Library Wish-list**

Would you help us stock our school library shelves and give our students a great selection to choose from on their library day? Please consider supporting our students and our library by purchasing a book from Mrs. Jones' Amazon Wish List. Select the school's address at checkout, or mail to your home and send it to school with your student. Here is the link to the wish list:

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/36YB2SI2DHYHF/guest-view>

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## **Links Lunch Buddy**

Become a Lunch Buddy mentor and make a difference in the life of a student at Redmond Elementary. LWSO LINKS Program is seeking volunteers to mentor students at our school. Give 45 minutes of your time each week to enjoy fun games, crafts, and talks with a student who really needs to know that an adult cares about them.

To learn about the process and how to apply, contact Victoria Goetze-Nelson at [vgoetzenelson@lwsd.org](mailto:vgoetzenelson@lwsd.org) or call 425-936-1410. Mentor training and support will be provided.

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## Lake Washington Schools Foundation

Lake Washington Schools Foundation is seeking an Ambassador from every school to partner with. Ambassadors are adults who can give 1-2 hours per month to share the Foundation's news and to provide their feedback and ideas on how the Foundation can support your school. Ambassadors are both essential partners to LWSF and wonderful advocates for your school.

To help parents learn more about our Ambassador program, we are organizing a **virtual info meeting on Thursday, December 9 from 11am to noon**. Our Executive Director, Katy Philips, will be joining in to explain the Foundation's work and to discuss the role of our ambassadors. Attached is a flyer about the event.

**We would really appreciate if you could share this email** with anyone from your community that may like to learn more about becoming an Ambassador. These could be:

- Active parent volunteers;
- PTSA board members who have an interest in student advocacy, equity, and/or well-being; and
- Anyone in the community who supports LWSF's mission to enhance academic access and to nurture all students' emotional well-being.

To register for our Ambassador Info Meeting, [click here](#).

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