

MGNS NEWSLETTER

October 2020



CALENDAR

Oct 1 – Jellyfish Jaunt Virtual Run/Walk Starts
Oct 2 – Butter Braid Sale End
Oct 14 – School Pictures
Oct 15 – Butter Braid Pick Up 12-1pm
Oct 16 – School Pictures
Oct 16 – Scholastic Book Ends
Oct 21 – Dawn's Birthday
Oct 21 – Chipotle School Spirit Tastes Great 4-8 pm
Oct 31 – Jellyfish Jaunt Virtual Run/Walk Ends

UPDATES FROM THE SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Hello to all of our MGNS families!

Whether you are with us now, or waiting to come back in person, we are thinking of you and hoping that all is well with your families. While our staff is trying hard to make the best of the situation, we all do really miss seeing our friends and their families in person. We are all hoping that the halls of MGNS will soon be filled with the busy-ness that we all love and want. In the meantime, I want to take this opportunity to say to all of our families that I am here for you and available for anything you might need -- resources on how to help your kids (young and older) with virtual school, feedback on how our OCTOPI virtual school program is going, ideas you have for other things we can be doing online together, ideas you have for fundraisers, grants, etc. (we will be honest and say that this pandemic will be a significant financial hit to our school) -- we are a Parent Co-op and as such we rely on the collective wisdom of all 93 of our families. So please do reach out and share.

You will read a lot in this newsletter about various fundraisers that our great team of Aimee and Danielle have put together. Please take the time to read through it all, and participate where you can. And, as always, take good care of yourself, your family and our community.

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TOY SHARING

MGNS Materials check out is available every Monday with a return on Friday. Lots of great sets of MGNS materials to share with our at home friends. Here is more information and the sign up for the week of October 5th! [MGNS MATERIALS SIGN UP FOR OCTOBER 5](#)

MGNS will again be providing school pictures for our kiddos in an outdoor (weather permitting) socially distanced way.

Wednesday, October 14 and Friday, October 16.



Our photographer is Teresa Bentler, who is an alumni parent and board member. If you're interested in getting a photo, there are 2 steps you need to take.

First, use the sign-up genius to select a spot on the schedule. Teresa only needs 5 minutes with each child. [School Photo Sign Up](#)

Second, click this link [MGNS School Photo Order Form](#) to choose which photo package you want. Print & complete the order form, and bring it to your photo shoot along with a check payable to Family Tree Photography. Teresa is generously donating part of her proceeds back to our school which she has done for several years.

FUNDRAISERS**Butter Braids**

Friday, October 2 - Orders are due.

Remember, you can mail it in, text a photo of it to Danielle (608-332-8920), or email it (dkgoldapple@gmail.com). If you would like to "buy out" of fundraising, you can send in a payment for \$60. Please send one check to MGNS for your entire order (payment due by Friday, October 9).

Thursday, October 15 from 12–1 p.m.

Orders will be ready for pick up at MGNS. We will have drive-up, contactless pick up!

First Annual MGNS Jellyfish Jaunt (Fun Run/Walk)

Get your walking/running shoes ready! Our first-ever virtual run/walk starts October 1!! You can download a tracking sheet on the MGNS website (<https://mgns.org/about-mgns/fundraisers/>), or use the one that was included in your parent folder. Reach out to family and friends to sponsor you! For every mile your family walks, your sponsors can pledge \$1 (or more!). Check out this [youtube video](#) about how to participate!

Also see the flyer attached to this newsletter!

At the end of October, add up all your miles! Pledges are due to the school by **Friday, November 6**. Please write one check to MGNS with your total.

SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT!

WEDNESDAY, October 21 from 4-8 p.m.

Order Chipotle online and enter the code: **K4A4E3A** at checkout. Our school will earn 33% of all sales from our event! Spread the word! NOTE: this only applies to the East Washington (4628 E. Washington) location. Orders are submitted online (through website or Chipotle app) and picked up at the East Washington store. [Chipotle Flyer!](#)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Now more than ever it is so important for your child to have books in the home. Plus our class gets FREE books with every order!

Friday, October 16 - Book Order Due

Connect to Our Class Page: [Scholastic Book](#)

Shop the flyers with your child: [Scholastic Flyer](#)

All books ship to the school, and we will deliver them to your front porch!

Class Code: **RNZYK**

Some of our suggestions this month are:

All are Welcome

Not A Box

Pete the Cat Value Pack

The Dot

Hair Love

Be You!



Also our kids at school always love when we get the "listening station" out at school and they can follow along with the book in their hand and someone reading it in their headphones. The audio libraries come with a CD. Try that at home: [Silly Story Audio Library](#).

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers needed! Parents, as you know, all families are required to donate some time towards the school each semester.

Thank you to all of the parents who helped with the playground- it looks GREAT! This month, we need 4 more play doh makers, and any builders, painters, and sewers who might be among us! See this sign up to share your talents with us! [Volunteer Sign Up](#)

FUN RESOURCES

Stay Home with the Shedd Aquarium

<https://www.sheddaquarium.org/educators/stay-home-with-shedd>

Sticky Bubble Gum

One of our favorite singers here are MGNS is Carole Peterson Stephens- most famous for the song Sticky Bubble Gum.

Well, she sings and tells stories on her youtube channel which can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7H3EkWfM8hrwevMiVMvddg>



MONONA GROVE NURSERY SCHOOL
INAUGURAL VIRTUAL RUN/WALK

Jellyfish

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GET OUTDOORS TO ZOOM WITH YOUR
FEET INSTEAD OF FROM YOUR SEAT!

- Reach out to friends/family to get pledges (recommend \$1/mile)
- Record miles on tracking sheet every time your family goes on a walk/run.
- At the end of October, add up all of your miles and let your sponsors know how many miles you completed.
- Collect pledges from your sponsors and mail in one check to MGNS for the total of all pledges combined.
- All participants will receive a medal!

**EVENT RUNS
OCTOBER 1-31**

**PRIZES
AWARDED TO
TOP 3 FAMILIES!**