

Fidalgo Family Flyer



Fidalgo Elementary School Vision

Caring, inspired, productive
lifelong learners

Fidalgo Elementary School Mission

We educate all students
to realize their individual potentials
and contribute to their community

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***What a magical town we live in!
Thank you to ASD choirs, bands, Fidalgo K-Kids,
and students who represented their other community organizations,
for participating in the holiday hometown parade.***

What Fidalgo Families Need to Know for the Week of December 5, 2016

Monday, December 5

- 6:30 p.m. – PTA Meeting (weather permitting)

Tuesday, December 6

- K-Kids and Fidalgo Choir to carol at Memory Care Center. See related article and communications for details.
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Fidalgo Family Literacy Night
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. – Special Book Fair Hrs.

Wednesday, December 7

- Late Start Wednesday
- 2:45-3:40 - Choir rehearsal – Last Rehearsal!
- 7:00-8:30 p.m. - Parent Education Series – *The Anxiety Dance: A Parents' Guide* with Dr. Christopher McCurry – ASD Board Room

Thursday, December 8

Friday, December 9

- Grades 1st through 6th on a field trip to Brodniak to see Fidalgo Danceworks' production of *The Nutcracker*
- Fridays are Spirit Days – Wear your school colors/ t-shirts

Saturday, December 10

- Fidalgo Choir performs at Washington Park Winter Wonderland - Students arrive by 5:40 p.m. and meet at the bottom of the trail to the campgrounds. We will walk up together for this performance. Wear warm clothes, Santa/holiday hat, and bring a flashlight. Parking is a real issue so get there in plenty of time to park and walk to the trailhead.

Young Authors' Conference Application Form

The Young Authors Conference is an annual celebration of young authors held every spring at Skagit Valley College in Mount Vernon. This well-respected program is highly anticipated by teachers and students alike. Professional authors and illustrators provide hands-on workshops for students as they arrive for a day of celebrating the art of writing and illustration. Students are stimulated and motivated in creative writing. For more info, check out https://www.nwesi.org/young_authors.

This year, Anacortes students will attend on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 from 7:45 am-2:45 pm. Interested students in the 3rd – 6th grade may apply. The cost is \$25. Transportation will be provided to and from the conference by school bus. Students will be required to create a manuscript to share at the conference. It may be a short story, a non-fiction work, a graphic novel or a collection of poetry. The manuscript is not due at this time but students should begin working on it as soon as they send in their application.

Workshops will be offered at each school in preparation for the conference including editing, illustration, and bookbinding. Participants can expect to spend one afternoon per week in an afterschool workshop early February through March. More details will follow.

Student Name _____

Grade _____ Teacher _____ School _____

I am doing: _____ a story (fiction/non-fiction) _____ graphic novel

_____ five or more poems

Parent Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

_____ I am interested in being a chaperone, writing coach, and/or helper. Contact me.

_____ The \$25.00 registration fee is included with this form. Make the check out to

your respective school's PTA (**Fidalgo PTA, Mt Erie PTA, Island View PTA**). *

* Scholarships are available if needed.

Parent signature _____

For questions, contact: Laura Spehar 293-9545/ lspehar@asd103.org

APPLICATION AND FEE ARE DUE BY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18.
SPACE IS LIMITED SO TURN IT IN TO YOUR SCHOOL OFFICE SOON.

**Fidalgo Elementary School 1st, 2nd and 4th Graders
Present**



"Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let it Snow!"



Winter Concert

- **Tuesday, December 13th:** Combined 1st Grade Classes of Roney, Johnson & Sommers
- **Wednesday, December 14th:** Combined 2nd Grade Classes of Ward, Peth & Sauls
- **Thursday, December 15th:** Combined 4th Grade Classes of Perkins, Chambers & Hancock

6:30 p.m.
Fidalgo Gym

*Students report to their classrooms at 6:15 on the night of their performance.



Choir Schedule for this week:

Tuesday, December 6th: Fidalgo Choir and K Kids carol at the Lighthouse Memory Care Center

(3502 K Avenue)

Bus will leave Fidalgo at 2:50 and arrive at the Care Center by 3:15 p.m.

Students need to be picked up by parents at 3:45 at the Care Center.

Parents must fill out and return the permission slip by Monday, December 5th.

Wednesday, December 7th: Rehearsal until 3:40-last one

Saturday, December 10th: Winter Wonderland at Washington Park

(6300 Sunset Avenue)

Students arrive by 5:40 p.m. and meet at the bottom of the trail to the campgrounds. We will walk up to the decorated campsites together. Parents/Grandparents, parking is a real issue and it is VERY DARK and muddy, I'm sure! Bring a flashlight and dress warm. Get there in plenty of time to park and walk to the trailhead. There is no special parking for performers.

Parent Education Wellness Series

Wednesday, December 7
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

ASD Board Room
Childcare provided

The Anxiety Dance: A Parent's Guide by Dr. Christopher McCurry

This lecture will describe the origins of child anxiety in biological factors and early experiences, and the ways a child's fearful and anxious behaviors function to communicate distress and compel the parent to come to the child's rescue. Strategies will be provided for making this "dance" work better: clearer communication, mutual respect, better problem solving, and increased tolerance for distress.

Questions? Claudia Mason, 360-503-1505, cmason@asd103.org

K-Kids News!

Permission Slips for Memory Care Center Performance

Students must have a permission slip signed and returned to take the bus to the Lighthouse Memory Care Center on Tuesday! Also, thank you to all of the K-Kids who showed up and marched in the parade! Students passed out stuffed animal coupons to all of the parade spectators and the Kiwanis Shop gave them all stuffed animals in exchange for the coupons! It was a great day!

Fidalgo K-Kids Sock Drive

Fidalgo K-Kids are collecting socks for the Christmas Giving Tree. They are collecting all sizes of new socks. These socks will be given to children and adults in need during this holiday season. The sock drive will run from Dec. 5-18. If you can share a pair of socks, please place them on the tree outside the office. Thanks for your generosity during this holiday season.

Fidalgo Book Fair

December 2 through 12 - 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Special Hours at Family Literacy Fun Night
Tuesday, December 6 - 5:30-7:30 p.m.



Please Claim Lost and Found Before Winter Break

Due to limited storage, unclaimed items will be donated to a charitable organization on December 21.

Fidalgo Elementary School's

Family Fun & Literacy Night

Fidalgo PTA and WA Reading Corps is hosting a family fun night. Pizza. Games. Prizes. Gift Wrapping. Holiday Karaoke. Guest Author. K-Kids Book Give-a-Way. Scholastic Book Fair. And so much more...

WEAR YOUR PAJAMAS!!

Where: Fidalgo Elementary
When: Tuesday, December 6th
Time: 5:30-7:30 p.m.



Worth Repeating **FIDALGO CHOIR** **REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, December 7th: Rehearsal until 3:40 p.m.-last rehearsal!

Saturday, December 10th: 6:00 p.m. **Performance at WA Park**

- ****December 10th: Winter Wonderland at Washington Park-6300 Sunset Avenue. Students arrive by 5:40 p.m. and meet at the bottom of the trail to the campgrounds. We will walk up together for this performance. Wear warm clothes, Santa/holiday hat and bring a flashlight. Parking is a real issue. Get there in plenty of time to park and walk to the trailhead.

Collect Box Tops for Fidalgo Kids

- Beth Rittel

Please continue to collect Box Tops. They do expire, so turn them in as often as possible. Our goal this school year is to earn over \$1,500 and with everyone's help we can do it. You can help us reach that goal by sending in your Box Tops each month.

Drop box tops off in the Box Tops bin located across the hall from the library. Here are some optional tips that will make the submission process easier:

* Put your teacher's name on the bag so your child's class gets credit for the ice cream party

- * Bundle your Box Tops in groups of 10 or 50 using a sealable bag or envelope
- * Tape or glue Box Tops on a collection sheet, available at BTFE.com

Our school receives a check from Box Tops for Education for box tops submitted, which we use to purchase items for the school, such as playground equipment. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me, Beth Rittel, at ethansrit@comcast.net . Thanks for your help!

SAVE the DATE!

Fidalgo PTA Auction & Dinner

February 25, 2017

Want to volunteer? Email Heather Hernandez at heather.m.hernandez@gmail.com

**Fidalgo PTA Website: <http://fidalgopta.com>
This is a terrific source for all things Fidalgo PTA**

**Respect self and others
Improve through effort
Show responsibility
Express kindness**

Fidalgo students RISE!

If Your Child is Absent...

Please call or email Karen Mantell the morning of the absence.

kmantell@asd103.org

(360)293-9545

Rachel's Closet Fund at Fidalgo

Fidalgo has a "Rachel's Closet Fund" for students who are in need of clothing, other items, and extra-curricular scholarships. The community service clubs and many individuals have provided funding for this resource. The items are new or barely used and if there is an item needed that we do not have, we are able to purchase it with donated funds.

Please contact school counselor Courtney Miner (cminer@asd103.org) if you would like to obtain clothing from Rachel's Closet for your child.

Community Bulletin Board: Your Source for Opportunities in the Community for Your Family

Each week the Anacortes School District shares information from our community partners on our website. This is the place to find and post non-school related community events and information that benefits students and families. All notices are submitted by outside organizations to keep your family informed. The Anacortes School District does not endorse or sponsor these activities. Please visit our Community Bulletin Board to see new postings for this week: http://www.asd103.org/for_community/community_bulletin_board

Quick Tip

Quick Tip is a system that allows students, parents, staff, and community members to submit information to school administrators anonymously. While the district already has many programs to help students deal with challenges such as bullying behaviors, stress, peer pressure, and family problems, Quick Tip helps break the code of silence often experienced by students and others because it allows them to report concerns to administrators anonymously.

The Quick Tip system is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week at <https://asp.schoolmessenger.com/anacortes/quicktip/>. Submitters may log on to Quick Tip from any computer with internet access or mobile app and have the ability, on or off campus, to create positive connections with administrators by addressing topics of concern. School administrators will respond to messages during the regular school day (7:00 AM-3 PM). Messages sent during non-school hours will be responded to, in most cases, the next school day.

It's helpful to share specific information such as a detailed description of the concern or incident, names and grade levels of those involved, location of concern, names of any potential witnesses, and any supporting evidence.

It's important that reporters submit thorough and accurate information; false reporting is subject to disciplinary action.

Quick Tip is available to the Anacortes School District students, parents, staff, and community members. ***Parents and other adults wishing to express a concern or share information are still encouraged to continue doing so by calling our schools directly and speaking with the appropriate personnel.*** It is our hope that Quick Tip will provide a form of support that will result in us hosting the best possible learning environment for our students.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This is not a crisis line. In cases of emergency, the site will direct students to call 911!

Safe Schools - Tip Hotline by Telephone

If you do not have Internet/ computer access, you can also report unsafe or threatening activities related to any of the schools in the Anacortes School District by calling the following anonymous, toll-free telephone number at any time day or night: 1-866-live-tip ext. 175

Website Address for Skagit County's Sexual Offender Notification

Monitoring the Skagit County's Sexual Offender Notification website regularly provides you with information about sexual offenders that may live in your area. The website address is:

http://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/Sheriff/sex_offenders.htm

Link to OSPI – Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Go to <http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us> to find MSP results and other information from OSPI.

“This School and/or School District does not sponsor, endorse, or recommend any of the organizations, services or activities described in this information. This information is provided solely for the convenience of our students and parents to assist in their review of the safety and suitability of such organizations, services and activities. All School Districts shall be held harmless from any cause of action, claim or petition filed in any court or administrative tribunal arising out of the distribution of these materials including attorney’s fees and judgments or awards.”

Nondiscrimination Statement

Anacortes School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

Title IX Coordinator/ Civil Rights Compliance

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