



# Lake Wilderness Elementary School

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## From the Principal,

Thank you for attending this year's parent-teacher conferences. We believe that you are a very important part of the school team. Please stay in touch with your student's teacher throughout the school year and talk to your student every day about school. The staff at Lake Wilderness is grateful for the work you do at home to ensure that your student can be successful at school.



## PTSA Annual Holiday Breakfast

Saturday, December 10  
from 8:00-11:00  
in Gym B  
Santa will be there to  
have pictures taken for a  
small fee.

## Maple Valley Food Bank & Emergency Services - Children's Christmas Gift Program

Each Holiday Season MVFB&ES creates a unique gift shop where registered clients can choose gifts for their children. Through the generous support of our community, parents and guardians can select three to four gifts per child from a bounty of *new* toys, stuffed animals, clothing, gift certificates and more. In 2010, over 4200 gifts and countless stocking stuffers were provided to brighten Christmas for 1052 local children. NEW, unwrapped gifts for children from birth to age 15 are needed by December 15.



We so appreciate the support of our Tahoma School District staff and families in helping to meet the need each Christmas season!

For other community collection sites, gift ideas for teens and more please go to [www.maplevalleyfoodbank.org](http://www.maplevalleyfoodbank.org). Please give call or e-mail Angela (information below) to schedule donation pickups.

Maple Valley Food Bank and Emergency Services  
Serving Black Diamond, Covington, Hobart, Maple Valley, Ravensdale and within the Tahoma School District  
21415 Maple Valley Road SE P O Box 322, Maple Valley, WA 98038  
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## Staff Additions and Changes

Lake Wilderness is extremely fortunate to have quality teachers and support personnel. We have added the following staff to our ranks:

- Katie Clemens- Kindergarten Teacher in Beth Belmondo's classroom for the remainder of the year
- Jennifer Westby - teacher in the PM Preschool Program
- Katie Sizer and Susan Reynolds - Speech and Language Pathologists to share duties with Mona Best who is coming back from maternity leave
- Angie Alcott - Para Educator
- Julie Millage - Library Assistant
- Pamela Kreis - Playground Assistant
- Tammy Jaeger - Playground Assistant



## Lost and Found



Since school started we have collected many jackets, sweatshirts, lunchboxes, etc. in our lost and found (located outside of Office B). We will be donating all unclaimed items to charity after December 12th.

Please label your child's possessions.. We always check all clothing and return those items that have an identifying name.

### Reminder

Wednesday, December 21  
Early Release at 1:10

## THANK YOU THANK YOU

### From the Maple Valley Food Bank

Greetings from Maple Valley Food Bank and Emergency Services!

Thanks to you and our Tahoma families, the Tahoma School District Fall Food Drive was a HUGE success this year! Collectively, your efforts brought over 10,000 pounds of much needed food into our warehouse. Our racks were getting pretty bare in early October.

Lake Wilderness collected 2070 lbs of food!!!!

# Calendar of Events



12/5	Honor Choir field trip to Seattle Center - The choir will be singing at the Center for Winterfest
12/7	5th grade to Pacific Science Center
12/8	ADK and PM Kindergarten walks to Fire Station
12/9	AM Kindergarten walks to Fire Station
12/10	PTSA Holiday Breakfast, Gym B, 8:00-11:00
12/12	4th grade music concert, Gym B 6:30-7:00 (Clemsen, Ives and Morlock) 7:30-8:00 (Bowden, Hansen, and Winkey)
12/13	1st grade music concert, Gym B 6:30-7:00 (Jewett, Minniti, Moore, and Watkins) 7:30-8:00 (Carrell, Hamadi, and Hansen)
12/16	Discovery Nominations close
12/21	Early Release at 1:10, AM Pre-K and Kdgn. attend No PM Pre-K, Kdgn. or ECEAP Lunch will be served
12/22-1/2	Winter Break
1/3	Waiver Day - (No School)
1/4	School resumes



## Snow/Emergency Bus Route Information

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As we move closer to winter and the possibility of inclement weather, parents can access bus transportation changes including snow/emergency routes by checking the TV, Tahoma website or radio station. If your bus stop is on a hill and it is slippery or icy, please make sure you are standing back off the road. Students will be picked up and dropped off at the same emergency transportation bus stop even if road conditions have improved by the end of the school day.



### Policy For Sick Students

Please remember to keep your student home until he/she is fever-free for 24 hours, without the aid of any fever reducing medication!!

## PTSA Information

### Wildcat Cash Booth OPEN

**Saturday, December 3, 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM**



#### Wildcat Cash EXTENDED Holiday Hours

Tuesday and Friday morning - 8:40 AM - 9:20 AM.  
Saturday, December 3 - 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM  
Holiday Breakfast - December 10 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM



EXTENDED HOLIDAY HOURS -December 13, 14, 15, and 16 from 8:40 AM - 9:20 AM.

Can't make it to the Wildcat Cash booth - how about sending in an order with your Lake Wilderness student or email [wildcatcash@lwptsa.com](mailto:wildcatcash@lwptsa.com) for alternate pick up options.

Does the company you own or work for give out gift cards?

If your company hands out gift cards as a form of appreciation or incentive, please consider purchasing those gift cards from Lake Wilderness PTSA.

There are hundreds of retailers to choose from.



Still have questions about Wildcat Cash?

Check out our website: [www.lwptsa.org/wildcat.asp](http://www.lwptsa.org/wildcat.asp) or email [wildcatcash@lwptsa.com](mailto:wildcatcash@lwptsa.com)