

TCKS PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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April, 2009

Jump & Hoops Thank You Gifts The thank you gifts for Jump Rope & Hoops For Heart were given to your child on April 9th or April 10th. If there is anything you think your child should have received and did not please let me know ASAP. It is not too late to reorder things if a mistake was made. The final total for Traut for our combined Jump & Hoops events was \$13,400. That was our lowest amount in ten years, but considering the state of the economy it was still a very good effort.

Schools On The Move In our third year of participation we had 285 students participate in this program. The T shirts should arrive the week of April 13th and we will get them to students as fast as possible.

Field Day The premier event in physical education in the spring is our all-school Field Day scheduled for Thursday, May 14th (the next day is a teacher workday). The TCKS Field Day is designed to allow students to choose activities, the number of times they do each one and, in some cases, the people they play with and against. More information will come home as we approach the date, but what we need now is a commitment of volunteers to help. This is a huge event and we need a minimum of 20 volunteers both in the morning (K, 1st & 2nd) and in the afternoon (3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th). Over the past several years the number of volunteer (especially for the afternoon) has shrunk to the point where we may not be able to offer as many activities/games as we have in the past. If you can help out please contact me (information below) or your classroom volunteer coordinator as soon as possible.

Spring Walking/Running Club The Walking/Running Club for spring began on Monday, April 6th. It is for students in grades K – 6. Students in grades K & 1 may participate if they are accompanied by a parent/guardian or older sibling. See the note of the table outside the main office or in the Friday Note for April 3, 2009 for more details.

Summer Activities As the school year comes to a close we receive many notices regarding summer sports camp/clinic/training opportunities. All available information will be put on the table outside the office or near the volunteer table in the front hall. Please check often if you would like to take advantage of these offers as they come in daily.

Thanks For The Memories One of the earliest TV shows ended with Bob Hope singing “. . . thanks for the memories. . .”. That seems like a good ending for a 39 year career. I never thought I would spend most of my adult life doing the same thing for that long. I did change states, schools and grade levels during these almost four decades, and I have seen my fair share of gyms, fields, courts and balls. I run into former students every where (I estimate I’ve had about 10,000), and I’ve pumped up enough balls to fill an arena. The memories I will cherish the most are of all the people I have been fortunate enough to work with including students, staff and parents.

If you care to, you are welcome to join me in a small celebration on May 15th. Details will follow in the Friday Notes. “Saying farewell is also a bold and powerful beginning” (Aaron Ralston). I wish you all wonderful beginning!

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