
04-10-23 Thurston PTO Newsletter

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Thurston Elementary PTO

Heron Happenings

April 10, 2023



Upcoming Events

April 10-14: ADHD/Emotional Regulation Awareness Week

April 20: Early release day, dismissal at 1:18pm

April 21: Fun Run (details below)

Disability Awareness Month



This month at Thurston we are learning about disability, neurodiversity and difference. Last week we focused on autism. The schedule below shows what we will be talking about in the coming weeks.

- April 10-14th ADHD/Emotional Regulation
- April 17-21st Communication/SLD
- April 24-28th Learning Differences

As we continue to learn about how others see the world around us, we encourage families to explore these differences as well. Please join our heron community as we move through April and continue to celebrate neurodiversity!

Here are some helpful resources for continued learning and discussion:

[What is Neurodiversity?](#)

[CHADD - About ADHD](#)

[Explaining ADHD to Kids](#)

School Fundraiser Update!

As we begin week 2 of our school fundraiser, we have reached 22% of our goal! Thanks to those who have registered, shared and donated!



As of today, about a quarter of all Thurston students are registered. We would like to get every student registered. If you haven't already, please register your student(s) [here!](#) You can find detailed instructions on how to register in last week's PTO newsletter.

More Fun Run Volunteer Opportunities



On Friday April 21st, we will celebrate the success of our school fundraiser with a Fun Run! The Fun Run is a lively, all-school event that takes place just outside of our building on school grounds during the school day. All parents/families are invited and encouraged to come and cheer on their children as they complete an obstacle course. Each class has a time slot for going through the Fun Run course, and you can check the [Fun Run Schedule](#) to see when your child's grade will be completing the course.

Last week we asked for [volunteers to monitor each obstacle and take class photos](#) during the Fun Run. Thanks to all who signed up!

We are also looking for volunteers to help build the obstacles, set up before the event and tear down afterwards. You can sign up for one of those tasks [here](#).

Custodian of the Year



Abdul Akeely - Top 10 Finalist

Please consider voting for Abdul Akeely - one of 10 finalists in the national Custodian of the Year contest sponsored by the Cintas Corporation. Mr. Akeely has been filling in as our custodian at Thurston, and students have been enjoying getting to know him. He is a hard worker that truly cares for our school community. **You can vote [here](#) every day until April 14th.** The award includes a \$10,000 cash prize to the winning custodian, \$5,000 in products and services for a school makeover, a trip to Las Vegas for the Top 3 finalists and more. Read more about Mr. Akeely and the contest in this [local news article](#).

Mark your calendars for the Thurston Players' original musical production!

THE THURSTON PLAYERS 47TH PRODUCTION

TIME, TURTLES, & TWISTS



SATURDAY, MAY 06 @7:00 PM

SUNDAY, MAY 07 @2:00 PM

HURON HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

TICKETS AT DOOR

\$5 / STUDENTS K-12 \$10 / ADULTS

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Need to contact a Thurston parent or student? The 2022-2023 Thurston student directory is available [here](#). The directory is organized by grade (see tabs) and then alphabetically by class. If you registered prior to the start of school and indicated in InfoSnap that you wanted to be included in the directory, your contact information should be included. If you find a change needs to be made or do not see your information but wish for it to be included, please complete this [form](#).

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