



Clementine Samson picks the perfect pumpkin on a field trip with Ms. Abrams' class.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

*Hansen Alternative Program
Newsletter*

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Author's Night moves to January

by Katy Johansson

The Olympia School District implemented a new English-Language Arts curriculum, Wonders, this year. HAP teachers have been working hard since the start of school to determine how best to teach Wonders. This has left them with less time to prepare for our beloved Author's Night, which normally occurs in November. At their request, we will hold Author's Night later in the school year.

Author's Night coordinators Katie and Abby Cole are aiming for a date in January.

Arts Night will likely be scheduled for January as well, so you can look forward to two great HAP events to help us kick off the New Year!

If you are interested in helping with Author's Night, please contact: Katie or Abby Cole at olycoles@gmail.com. You can contact John Donahue at donahjo@gmail.com to volunteer for Arts Night.

New HAP Handbook approved

Thanks to John Donahue, Marina Parr and Terra Reed, who worked with Principal Rascon on updates to the HAP Handbook. New language about program goals reflects our commitment to underserved communities, multi-age classrooms and our volunteer work. The update also reflects our commitment to work together and with staff in addressing issues and continuously improving HAP.



Salmon at the Falls

Mrs. Olmsted's second- and third-graders visited the hatchery at Tumwater Falls Park to learn about the life cycle of salmon.

Please pay HAP dues

by Katy Johansson

Thank you to everyone who has paid their annual \$10 HAP dues!

If you have not had a chance to do so yet, please contact Treasurer Jessica Starr-Coco at j_starr@comcast.net so she can collect the payment from you.

The \$10 fee is per family; not per child. The dues support child care for HAP meetings, supplies for events and other expenses that we incur throughout the year.

Greenbelt maintenance

Greg Norman is once again heading up Hansen's greenbelt maintenance effort. If you'd like to give Greg a hand, please contact him at justgregandtracy@comcast.net.

International Night

We are still looking for someone to take on International Night, an event open to all Hansen families. We celebrate our heritages and learn about the customs of others' cultures at the last HAP event of the year. Contact us at hansenhap@gmail.com if you can help.

Find us on Facebook

Get the latest HAP news from our Facebook Group Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Hansen-Alternative-Program-217618935061441/>



Falling for autumn

Ms. Abrams' first- and second-graders had a great time at Hunter's Farm last month.

Next HAP Meeting: Feb. 7

Mark your calendar! Our second of three annual HAP meetings is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, in the library. Child care will be available.

Adopt-a-Family for the holidays

For the first time, the HAP community will be adopting a family for the holidays.

Hansen Family Services has provided us with the needs of a family with six children, three of whom are Hansen students.

Check our Facebook page or e-mail Pati Koong at patikoong@gmail.com to learn about the family's specific needs. If you prefer not to shop, you can instead donate money toward a larger gift for the family. Let's help make this a Christmas our family won't forget!

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