

April 30th, 2006



Science Fair 2006

Curriculum UPDATE 2005-06

Professional Development Day

May 9th is our next early release day. Staff from Chautauqua will be working on placement for 2006-07. McMurray staff will have an Olweus workshop and department planning time. The staff at Vashon Island High School will have a meeting to discuss student portfolios and then they will work in departments on curriculum alignment and assessment.

Gifted and Talented

Please take time to review the Gifted and Talented Proposal and submit comments on the feedback form.

Writing

If you have identified any needs for instructional materials such as Writer's Inc., Elements of Writing, or Rebecca Sitton's Sourcebook for Teaching Spelling and Word Skills, please let your building principal know.

Mathematics

Steve recently completed correlation matrices for grades 1 through 5. He is revising the mathematics guide for high school.

The Arts

Stephen has been working on the arts guide. Arts Education Week as declared by Governor Gregoire is May 15th through May 19th.

Reading

Janis has been meeting with staff across the district. Our goal is to have a preliminary guide by the end of June. She is also identifying needs at each building.

Professional Development Opportunities In-district

- Professional Book Club, Mondays 3:30 to 4:30 at Chautauqua will be ending soon
- Ongoing Web site support, contact Stephanie or Peter for assistance
- Walking Group, Wednesdays, 2:45 pm, meet at VHS will end June 21st
- The last TAP meeting of the year is scheduled for Tuesday, June 6th, 2:45 pm at McMurray

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