

# Silver Hawk Happenings

<http://wwwsil.bham.wednet.edu>

**Silver Beach Elementary**

**676-6443**

**Nov 6, 2009**

## November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Mountain School Meeting 7:00	5 Picture Retakes 8:30 3:30 Site Council	6	7
8	9	10 6:30 SBEA Meeting	11 Veteran's Day - NO SCHOOL	12	13	14
15	16	17 2:00 Sweets & Treats Distribution	18 Early Release 12:30	19 Early Release 12:30	20 Early Release 12:30	21
22	23 Early Release 12:30	24 Early Release 12:30	25 Early Release 12:30	26 Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL	27 Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL	28
29	30					

### Thank You. . .

To all parents who are calling in to let us know when your child is sick or at the doctor or dentist. If your child has any flu-like symptoms, especially cough or fever, we would want to know that information as well. To reach our general voice mail, please call **Silver Beach, anytime day or night, at 676-6443** to let us know if your child will be absent from school. **Keep sick children at home for 24 hours after they no longer have a fever, without using fever-reducing drugs.**



For more information, visit the websites listed on the back of this newsletter.

### Early Release Bulletin !

An Early Release Day was added in November which had previously been a teacher work-day. November 20 will now be an Early Release day.

### **LOST AND FOUND is OVERFLOWING. . .AGAIN!!!**

### Used Book Sale is Coming Up!!

On November 13th, we are going to be sorting books in the annex. Please contact Carol Moskal at 647-1933 if you will be able to lend a hand. The Sale will be in February. Continue to bring all your used books into your classroom!!

### **A REMINDER. . . Healthy snacks at Silver Beach...**

According to the Bellingham School District's Nutrition and Physical Fitness Policy #3440, the District wishes to ensure access to healthy and nutritious foods at school. In addition to concerns about life-threatening conditions that can result from food allergies or food-borne germs, there are also concerns about the amount and types of foods that are available in classrooms.

If parents or staff members wish to distribute food to students, they are encouraged to purchase packaged food that meets the nutrition standards and to open and share that food at the time of consumption. This practice will help ensure food safety for all involved.

The Food Services Department has provided a list of suggested items. (See list on district website at <http://www.bham.wednet.edu/departments/foodservices/DistrictNutritionalValues.htm>)

## Important Weather Information

**NEW for 2009-10:** We have been notified that Whatcom County plans to implement emergency road restrictions — after prolonged cold weather and as the temperature rises — to prevent road surfacing damage. We have been informed that the county will not allow school buses on some roads, due to vehicle weight, during restrictions when thawing occurs. This means that the district may be forced to implement snow routes and possible other route changes during thawing when there is no snow or ice on the roads. If buses are not allowed on some roadways, parents/guardians will need to be prepared to make alternate arrangements or transport children to and from school during the county's restriction period.

### HOW CAN I GET WEATHER/EMERGENCY INFORMATION?

Depending on weather conditions, schools will close for the day, open two hours late with regular bus routes or snow bus routes, or open on time with snow bus routes. Changes to the school schedule are usually announced by 6 a.m. Weather emergencies can sometimes disrupt power and telephone service. The district will use a variety of methods to keep you informed, but please remember to keep a battery-equipped radio as your emergency communications back-up:

#### Tune to local media:

KGMI Radio (790 AM)	KOMO-TV (Channel 4)
KAFE Radio (104.3 FM)	KING-TV (Channel 5)
KOMO Radio (1000 AM)	KIRO-TV (Channel 7)
KIRO Radio (710 AM)	

Bookmark the Web site [www.bsd501.org](http://www.bsd501.org) and sign up to receive notices by e-mail. To sign up to get regular news and emergency information: E-News Registration at [www.bham.wednet.edu](http://www.bham.wednet.edu).

Call 676-6400 for a recorded message in English. Please do not call the Transportation Office because it is important to keep lines open for emergencies.

For Español, русский, tiếng từ and Punjabi translations: 647-6815.

*Girls on the Run 5k  
Saturday, December 5th 9:30 a.m.  
Begins and Ends at Depot Market Square in  
Downtown Bellingham*

Come out and join Girls on the Run of Northwest Washington for a fun-filled community event. This is the graduation 5k for our fall Girls on the Run and Girls on Track program participants. The non-competitive run/walk is open to the community. Women, men, children, leashed pets and all terrain strollers are welcome! There will be a post-race celebration and raffle at the Boundary Bay Garden after the event. Race Fee: \$10.00 (All proceeds benefit Girls on the Run). Register at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) or stop into the YMCA. To volunteer for race support or to become a Running Buddy, please contact 733-8630 or [jgallant@whatcomymca.org](mailto:jgallant@whatcomymca.org).

## November is Children's Reading Month!



This year's "Ice Cream for Books!" reading event has begun! Your child should have received their reading logs and instruction sheet this last Friday. Please make sure these **stay in their folders** after they record their time for the day. They will be collected each Friday at school. For every hour that they read they will earn a "scoop of ice cream", made out of cardstock, which will be placed on their classes' ice cream cone. These will be displayed outside the library for all to see. This can include reading on their own, being read to, or listening to books on tape or CD. On December 1st, one student from each class will be randomly drawn to receive a \$5 gift certificate from **Mallard's Ice Cream!** The more you read, the more "scoops" you'll receive and the better your



**Keep informed** about additional updates about **flu outbreaks**, vaccines and prevention information by reading district and school e-news and print newsletters and checking [www.bsd501.org](http://www.bsd501.org).

For more information about how to care for someone with the flu and resources for families:

<http://www.whatcomcounty.us/health/h1n1/>

For H1N1 updates, please visit:

<http://www.em.whatcomcounty.org/go/site/2040/>