

Open House held many introductions of staff to parents at JCMS and WSE



Teacher Espanel talks with parents during Warm Springs Elementary Open House, October 2.



Future Middle School students decide to check out the Library.



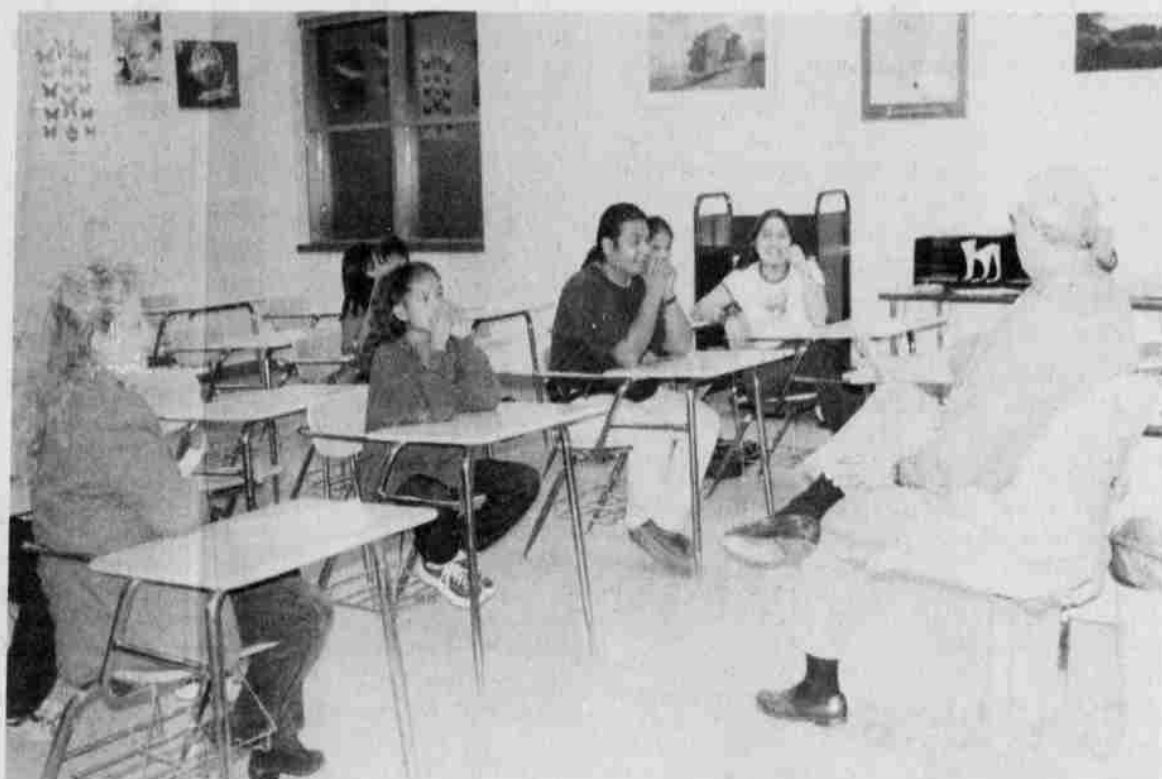
Pat Kelly, Principal, with Yvonne Curtis and Fred Starkel, Assistant Principals.



Ginger Smith spends "Grandparents Day" with her granddaughter Candace Miller.



Fireman Bob visits Warm Springs Elementary in honor of Fire Prevention week.



Seventh and eighth grade students took their parents to each of their scheduled classes where they received an introduction of their teacher and class activities.

Parents and guardians were invited to the annual Open House held at the Jefferson County Middle School. This year the school held a spaghetti feed for the parents and families attending the open house.

Parents and guardians of fifth and sixth grade students visited their students classrooms to see what a typical school day is like for their students. Students and staff shared with their parents what happens throughout their day at school. Some school work and artwork is shared with the parents and visitors.

A general session assembly was held and Principal, Pat Kelly, welcomed and thanked all who attended.

He also introduced new vice principals, Fred Starkel and Yvonne Curtis.

Kelly said that there were over 900 students enrolled in the Jefferson County Middle School and the staff is working toward a safe learning environment for the students. He said that there are many intelligent students enrolled at this school.

He mentioned that grandparents day was successful and that there will be more scheduled throughout the year. Grandparents are invited to go visit their grandchild's class and eat lunch with their grandchild. At the end of the day all grandparents attending received a certificate.

The last part of the open house, seventh and eighth grade teachers saw their students parents and guardians. Each parent went to their students classrooms following their schedule of seven classes.

Get involved in
your children's
education

SMART Program to begin October 14

SMART is an elementary school book and reading program that combines adult one-on-one in-school volunteers with free age-appropriate books children can take home to share with their families.

By targeting children in Kindergarten through second grade, SMART brings vital resources to bear at a critical period in reading development.

This approach is based on three sound principles:

1. Building meaningful relationships between children and adults.
2. Encouraging family participation.
3. Providing books for children to read at home.

The Warm Springs Elementary

School is currently looking for volunteers for the SMART reading program, which will begin October 14 and end in April, 1998. Orientation for volunteer readers will be October 7, 1997.

SMART is looking for volunteers to make a commitment to the program, then students can develop a relationship with the volunteers.

SMART program has been at Warm Springs Elementary for three years and reading scores have improved.

Warm Springs Elementary will hold Open House October 2, 1997 and SMART Program will have a booth for volunteers to sign up. If you would like to volunteer to be a SMART reader you may call Wanda Buslach at 553-1128.

Ten tips given for parents

Quick Tips for Parents
Talk with your child about alcohol. Parents can intervene to help change mistaken ideas their children may have obtained from peers and the media such as "everybody drinks".

Learn to really listen to your child. Children are more likely to communicate when they receive positive verbal and nonverbal cues that show their parents are listening.

Help your child feel good about himself or herself. Self-regard is enhanced when parents praise efforts, as well as accomplishments, and when they correct by criticizing the action rather than the child.

Help your child develop strong values. A strong value system can give children the courage to make decisions on facts rather than pressure from friends.

Know what to do if you suspect a problem. Parents can learn to recognize the tell tale signs of alcohol abuse and experimentation.

Help your pre-teen deal with

peer pressure. Children who have been taught to be gentle and loving may need parental "permission" to assertively say "no" to negative peer pressure.

Make family policies that help your child say "NO". It's helpful when parents clearly verbalize specific family rules against alcohol use by minors and the consequences of breaking those rules.

Encourage healthy, creative activities. Hobbies school events, and other activities may prevent children from experimenting with alcohol, tobacco or other drugs out of boredom.

Team up with other parents. When parents join together in support groups, they can take steps that will reinforce the guidance they provide at home.

Be a good role model or example. Parent's drinking habits and attitudes may strongly influence their children's perceptions about alcohol.

Warm Springs Elementary news

Calendar

October 10—No School, statewide inservice

October 14—WSE Scratch for Big Bucks

October 26—Daylight savings time; turn clocks back one hour

October 28—School Pictures

October 31—No School, building inservice

Messages to students

Release times

Kindergarten—3:25 p.m.

1st & 2nd Grade—2:35

3rd & 4th Grade—3:25

Please remember to call at least one hour prior to your child's release time from school if you would like them to ride the bus or walk to a destination other than where they usually go. Children may not get their message in time. The best course

is to send a note with your child in the morning.

Head lice die for real mayonnaise

Pediatricians, nurses and parents are adding mayonnaise to their arsenal of shampoos and other weapons used to battle the tiny head lice pests. Basically, it just suffocates them. It's non-toxic and it's a great conditioner for the hair. The attack goes something like this. Slather mayonnaise onto the hair, wrap the head in a turban of plastic wrap and heat it with a hair dryer. The plastic wrap helps cut off the oxygen. The crispy nits are then easy to remove. Doctors at a Corvallis clinic are recommending their own version of the mayonnaise treatment which includes wearing a shower cap over the mayo for two hours.



Truant officer, Mariam Tias, presents award to a Student of the Month.