

# YES, WE WELCOME YOUR HELP....

**CLASSROOM HELPERS:** Volunteers help create a special community in our classroom. Join the ranks of extraordinary helpers on ordinary, typical afternoons.

Learning Lab Leaders: Mondays 1:15 - 2:00 and 2:00 - 2:45

Computer Lab Assistants: Mondays 1:15 - 2:00 and 2:00 - 2:45

Word Work Leaders: Tuesdays 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

BE SURE TO SIGN UP ON THE SCHEDULE POSTED ON THE BOARD

**RESIDENT EXPERTS:** Come share what you know with our class - love history, the arts, literary figures, sports heros, cooking techniques, photography, cultural practices? We love to learn .... from YOU!

**SCIENCE:** Looking for "lab assistant" to organize and/or set up experiments. The scientific approach is reinforced through simple but effective "laboratory" experiences. Tuesdays. 12:50 - 2:10 p.m. (set up at 12:50; class from 1:15 - 2:10)

**FIELD TRIP DRIVERS:** For excursions near (Dimond Library) and far (Coyote Point) Be sure to have on file copies of your Safe Environment Training Certificate, valid driver's license, and proof of liability insurance \$100/\$300K.

**WORKING PARENTS:** If you can't come to us, would you enjoy doing tasks away from school? (gathering materials, locating, books, preparation for projects, etc.)

**HOMEWORK:** Generally assigned Monday through Thursday to reinforce classroom lessons, help individualize instruction, improve student performance, help your child develop good study habits, and should only take about 10 minutes, not including nightly "reading" of 20 minutes. Written work should be taken home and returned to school in the folder. [Please sign homework](#) to indicate you have reviewed the day's work with your child. Reviewing schoolwork reinforces the importance of their efforts and supports your child's progress in study habits and skill building.

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I would love to help! Here's how I can be most helpful to First Grade:  
Please list area of help and time slot preferences.

PLEASE PRINT

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) of \_\_\_\_\_

## SPECIAL EVENTS:

Here's your chance to coordinate our favorite celebrations and events! You won't be doing this alone - others will come join you, but EVENT COORDINATORS are needed.

These celebrations involve food, setup/cleanup in the the Gibson Center

"Stone Soup" Feast - Gibson Center, Monday, November 15  
Gingerbread Houses - December 15 and 16 (Phase I: construction, Phase II: decorating)  
"100th Day of School" Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. Gibson Center - Friday, February 4, 2011  
Hare Faire and Salad Bar Lunch - Tuesday, April 12 or 19, 2011 (TBD)  
Teddy Bear Tea Party - Monday, June 6 at 1:30 p.m. Gibson Center

These events are nice with simple costumes and/or light snacks

Halloween Joy for Senior Friends - Trick or Treating with Senior Friends - October TBA  
Christmas Performance for Senior Friends - The Nativity Story TBA - Dec 2010  
Epiphany - "Three Kings" (Wise Men from First Grade) - January 6, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.  
First Grade "Snow Day" - snow cone machine rental - Wednesday, February 2, 2011  
Irish Stew - The King and Queen of Green - Thursday, March 17, 2011 at 2:30 p.m.  
Gospel re-enactments - during Lent  
Stations of the Cross - tableau presentation on Holy Thursday - April 21, 2011  
State Faire - see the USA, sample treats from 50 states - Wednesday, May 25 at 1:15 p.m.  
The Little Red Hen - an operetta in the barnyard - Friday, May 27 at 10:30 a.m.

## JUST ORDINARY and Extra-ORDINARY FUN DAYS:

It might be your birthday or that of Dr. Seuss, Robert Louis Stevenson, Pablo Picasso, Rachel Carson, or Andy Warhol. The Saints and Peacemakers have their feast days and special days and we'll find ways to honor their lives and life's work.

We love to celebrate the special festivities and holidays of our global family. Be sure to share and help us learn about customs and unique traditions. Some of our favorites include Mexican Independence Day, Eid, Festa Itaiana, Dia de los Muertos, Chinese New Year, Passover, St. Patrick's Day, Kwanzaa, Los Posadas, Hanukkah, and prayer celebrations. Special days will be announced in First Grade News.

You are invited to help us learn about days and people important to you!

Learning about the



whole world ....