

# MONROE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Monroe Elementary School  
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November 2008

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## THE MESSENGER

# Information

### November Notables

- 4 - Professional Development Day/Election Day  
No school for students
- 6 - Awards Assemblies  
9:15 Fourth grade 10:15 Third grade
- 7 - Awards Assemblies  
1:15 Fifth grade 2:15 Sixth grade
- 11 - Veteran's Day Program  
Fund Raiser Pick up 5:30-7:00 P.M. Elem. Cafeteria
- 13 - 5th & 6th Grade Band Concert 6:30 P.M.
- 14 - Picture Retake Day
- 18 & 20 - Fall Conferences
- 20 - Market Day Pickup 5-6:00 P.M. Elem. Cafeteria
- 21 - Spirit Day/Wear Camo or Red, White and Blue
- 24 - School Board Meeting 7:00 P.M. Elem. Cafeteria
- 24-28 - Fall Break
- 28 - Making a Difference

### December Dates

- 3&10 - Kidz Home Alone Class 3:30-5:30P.M.  
Room C219
- 8-12 - Holiday Shoppe
- 18 - Choir Concert  
Market Day pickup at 5-6:00 P.M. Elem. Cafeteria
- 19 - Spirit Day/Wear Winter Accessories  
Talent Show
- 22 - School Board Meeting 7:00 P.M.  
Elementary Cafeteria
- 22 - January 2 - Winter Break No School  
January 5 Back to School

### Veteran's Day Programs

A program to honor our nation's Veterans will be held on Monday, November 11. Students are encouraged to invite their guests who are veterans for these performances. Guests should enter through the activity doors to the auditorium. The performance schedule is:

For 3rd Graders at 9:30A.M.

For 5th & 6th Graders at 1:15 P.M.

An Evening Performance for the community at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.



### SCHOOL FEES

School fees for the 2008-09 school year are \$35.00. If you send payment to school with your student, please put it in an envelope with the student's name, teacher's name and mark it "school fees." Payments can also be made on the EZPay system. Go to [monroelocalschools.com](http://monroelocalschools.com) and find the link under Parent Features.

### PTO News

FALL FUNDRAISER was a huge success! Our total sales were over \$18,300.00 for both the Primary and Elementary. The sales were pretty even, about \$8,200.00 for the Primary and \$10,100.00 for the Elementary. Profits for the Elementary are expected to be \$4,900.00 and will go to enhance instruction with the purchase of digital cameras, a camcorder and a digital picture frame.

**PICK UP OF FUNDRAISER ITEMS WILL BE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 5:30-7:00 P.M. IN THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA.**

### MEDIA ALERT!

Thank you to parents! Our PTO has received over \$300.00 for Target's Take Charge of Education payout!

This is a great way to earn money for our school. Sign up with Target at [Target.com/tcoe](http://Target.com/tcoe) or call 1-800-316-6142 and designate Monroe Elementary. Every time you use your Red card, Target Visa or Target Credit Card, our school

### Lanyards Make Great Stocking Stuffers!

Help support the Elementary Band program and get some Christmas shopping done early. The lanyards are blue with gold imprint "Hornet Pride" and sell for \$5.00 each. They are wide and sturdy-perfect for those home keys! The lanyards can be purchased from the Elementary and Primary Offices. Thank you for your support!

### Up and Running!

The Unified Arts Department has developed a website. <http://sites.google.com/site/monroeelementaryunifiedarts/>  
You can check here for information from Miss Knicely, Mr. Mann, Ms. Pelfrey, Mrs. Kinder, Mrs. Shafer, Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Wiley.

### Talent Show!

Calling all musicians, artists, comedians, actors, poetry readers, gymnasts, jugglers, dancers, martial artists and other talented people! Monroe Elementary will be presenting a Talent Show on Friday, Dec. 19th (last day of school before Winter Break). This is open to all students 3rd-6th grade. Watch for further information!

### Kidz Home Alone Class Offered

For Boys & Girls in 5th & 6th grade

December 3rd & 10th, 2008 3:30-5:30P.M. (bring a snack)

Monroe Elementary Room C219

Cost: \$44.00 Class size limited to 25

Registration Deadline Dec. 2, 2008 7:00A.M.

Watch for your student to bring home more information.



# “Pennies for Pies” Drive



The Primary and Elementary School PTO is excited to announce the “Pennies for Pies” drive from October 27th –November 10th. Each student is asked to donate pennies in the labeled containers in their classrooms during these dates. The proceeds collected will be used to purchase pies from Market Day during the fall pie sale and then donated to the Abilities First Organization. The classroom that collects the most pennies will be rewarded with a special snack day from the PTO.

This is a great opportunity to help a local charity and help our school reach its pie sales goal. Thank you for your help,  
The PTO at Monroe Primary and Elementary Schools



## BoxTops for Education

Keep sending in your BoxTops. Last year our school received over \$900.00!



You can clip 10¢ BoxTops coupons from hundreds of your favorite products such as Cheerios®, Betty Crocker®, Juicy Juice®, Ziploc®, Kleenex®, Hefty®, and more. Check out [BoxTops4education.com](http://BoxTops4education.com) for a complete list of products.

Please send your BoxTops to school in a baggie with your child’s grade level marked on it. Our goal is to purchase books for the Balanced Literacy program with the profits from Target and Box-Tops.

## News from the Media Center . . .

*The Scholastic Book Fair was a success.* Monroe Elementary hosted a Scholastic Book Fair October 14–October 17. This Year’s theme was Book Fair Safari. Many quality books were available for purchase. Books were available for Margaret Peterson Haddix and Karma Wilson. Both of these authors will visit Monroe Elementary in Spring 2009. The students also donated money for One for Books. The money was used to purchase books for donations for Gifts from the Heart. Profits from the book fair will go toward the author visits.



## Transportation Safety Reminder...

Peterman Transportation has forwarded to us a grave concern pertaining to student safety. Increasingly, we are giving students running to the bus, either after it begins pulling away or while it is backing. These are very serious safety issues. Last week in Oregon, Ohio, this type of incident resulted in a student fatality. In light of this tragedy, we are asking you to help us make sure that your children are at their bus stop at least five minutes before their bus is scheduled to arrive. It is a State Law that students have to be at the bus stop prior to the arrival of the bus. Thank you for your help. Your child’s safety is of utmost importance to us.



## Gifts From the Heart

Every year the Monroe School Community joins together to help those in our community who need some assistance during the holidays. Join with us in our seventh annual food drive. There will be a flyer coming home with your student explaining in more detail about what you can do to be a part of this much needed service. Items will be collected on Monday, December 1st through December 17th.

- Categories for donation are:
- 3rd Grade—canned goods
  - 4th Grade—personal care items
  - 5th Grade—cleaning supplies
  - 6th Grade—drinks and snacks



## Red Ribbon Week

Monroe Elementary students celebrated Red Ribbon Week the week of October 27. This week is intended to remind students to say no to drugs. Our theme this year was “Respect Yourself.” On Monday, students received a red ribbon to wear for the week. Tuesday focused on getting hooked on books, not drugs. Students participated in various reading activities at some time during the day. Wednesday everyone “walked away from drugs” by participating in a walk following the fire drill. On Thursday, students donated canned food items to show that being drug free comes in cans: I can, you can, we can. Friday was our day to team up against drugs by wearing our favorite team spirit wear. Monroe Elementary is committed to encourage children to make healthy choices!



I am glad to announce that October 28, 2008 we start another exciting year with Monroe Elementary in D.A.R.E. If we can make a difference in one child’s life its all worth it. D.A.R.E. gives kids the opportunity to develop confidence and knowledge to make healthy choices.

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