

May 2, 2014

Dear Walden Green Families:

The May The Merrier.

We are very excited about tonight's auction at the Tri-cities Museum. If you have not yet bought your ticket you can certainly do so at the door this evening. The doors will open at 7PM. The emphasis on tonight's event is truly more about getting together as a community than anything else. We hope to see as many folks as we can. Feel free to bring a friend, a neighbor or extended family, this promises to be a great evening.

Scholastic Book Fair visits Walden Green.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here at school next week and your children will have the opportunity to browse and purchase any of the books that will be on display. We will be sending home flier with our students today to let you peruse through the terrific selections this weekend. We will be accepting cash for the book fair. Our book fair will be open for the purchasing of materials Tuesday through Friday of next week, Monday will strictly be previews.

Internet Safety.

Our very own David Butler will be offering two courses to our parents and other adults on Internet and computer safety. Please plan to join David here at Walden Green from 6:30PM to 8PM on Tuesday, May 13th and May 27th. There is reduced pricing for our Walden Green parents and Board Members. For more information, please see the attachment below.

Ed Performance.

Over the next couple of weeks our students will be taking the Spring Ed Performance assessment. There should be no stress or anxiety related to these exams. I have asked our teachers to simply express that we want our students to take their time, to focus and to work diligently on these assessments. This is a terrific opportunity for our students to showcase just how much they have learned this school year.

After-School Tutoring.

The last day of afterschool tutoring will be on May 16th. I am very pleased with the fantastic turnout we had for this program. In total we had 85 students participating on a weekly basis. I look forward to re-establishing this program next school year to best support our young learners. Please help me thank the teachers who stepped forward to teach afterschool – our students truly benefitted from this instruction.

May 5th Board Meeting.

Please plan to join us on Monday for the Board meeting. Topics will include:

Public comment
Financials
Enrollment
Restructuring
Compensation
All are welcome to attend.

Upcoming Dates.

May 7th – 4th grade recorder concert

May 11th – Mother’s Day

May 12th – Children’s House Open House at 6PM to 7PM

May 15th – 4th through 6th grade Spring Sing at 4PM at the Ferrysburg Church

May 15th – Orchestra concert at 5:30, Ferrysburg Church

May 23rd through May 26th – Memorial Day Break

May 27th through May 30th - Celebration of the Arts

June 5th – 8th Grade Graduation

June 6th – Last day of school, (half-day)

Enjoy the weekend ahead.

Sincerely,

Mark Neidlinger
Director
Walden Green

Computer & Internet Safety 1 & 2

Walden Green Montessori

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Class 1 will cover common internet threats, including various forms of malicious software (viruses, trojan horses), scam and phishing emails and websites, and tips on how to avoid them (safe browsing practices, child-protection measures and tools).

Class 2 will cover slightly more advanced practices such as wireless network security, firewalls, and whole-house web filtering.

(Although these classes are taught primarily using Macintosh systems and software, the techniques discussed also apply to Windows systems).

Seating is first-come first serve. Call 616-402-3991 for more information.

ABOUT THE WALDEN GREEN COMPUTER CLASS SERIES

David Butler is the owner / operator of That Mac Guy consulting & systems administrator of Walden Green Montessori school. He has been working in the computer industry since the mid 1980s. His classes are friendly and “as fun as each topic allows”.

A substantial portion of the proceeds from these events goes to Walden Green Montessori.



Walden Green Montessori &
That Mac Guy
Computer Class Series

Class 1:

**Tuesday, May 13th
6:30 PM ~ 8:00 PM**

Class 2:

**Tuesday, May 27th
6:30 PM ~ 8:00 PM**

Cost: \$20 per person, \$15 for
Walden Green Parents.

*Adults only at these 2 classes
please. Some topics may be
inappropriate for children.*

*We will discuss the “HeartBleed”
vulnerability at these events.*

*Classes are approximately 1 to 1.5
hours in length with plenty of time
for questions and answers.*

*Unless otherwise specified most
classes are designed for novice users.*