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From the Principal

Greetings families!

We're into that crazy time of year where we swing back and forth between summer and early-spring weather. And, with the weather changes we also see a rash of bloody noses and allergies. If your child is taking allergy medication, or medication of any kind that they might need at school, it has to be brought to the office and dispensed there. Please bring it in its original package with dosing information and complete an authorization form, or we will not be able to give it to your kiddo.

This week is our first week of state testing, starting with 5th grade. Student spirits have been quite good. although teachers' have been a bit frazzled.

This Week

4/20 Site Council 3:30 pm

4/21 4th Grade Performance 6:30pm (students arrive at 6:15pm)

4/21 Chorus Performs at Green Zebra 5pm

4/22 Group Classroom Pictures

Next Week

4/28 Chorus Field Trip

4/28 Level III Dance Field Trip

4/28 Third Grade Field Trip

If your child is testing, we ask that they get rest and eat a good breakfast, but the most important thing you can do for your child is to remind them that the state test is one test in one year-it simply can't measure all they know and it isn't designed to. It is designed to measure the top end of what they know in a couple of areas, so when it seems hard-that means they are doing a really good job on it. They will get many answers "right," but they are also supposed to get some answers "wrong." Of course they should try their best, but tests measure only a little piece of what makes them an awesome student, and that is exactly how they should look at it.

Tomorrow night is the 4th grade performance, and it has been a pleasure popping into their rehearsals this week. With each performance I can see the progression students make in their understanding of arts content and performance technique. I am so proud of what our students accomplish and the care they take in their work. Congratulations to Ms. Berk, Ms. Walker and Mr. Rudolph for the successful completion of their very first Buckman grade-level performance. And thank you to the Arts team for the many, many extra hours they have put in to ensure a successful performance at each grade-level. Bravo everyone!

Finally, don't forget to get your [auction tickets](#). There are some pretty amazing class projects sitting in my office! See you Saturday, April 30.

Susan

PTA/Foundation

AUCTION AUCTION AUCTION! The Countdown Begins!

4/30 Buckman Auction
7pm, Hinson Baptist Church

Coming Up

5/4 Dance Field Trip

5/4 Welcome To Reading Workshop
6:15pm, Cafetorium

5/6 Safety Committee Meeting 8am

5/10 Brown's Field Trip

5/10 Last Chorus Day

5/10 Healthy Relationships Talk
6:15pm, Cafetorium

5/11 Robert's Field Trip

5/12 Last Day of SMART

5/12 Safety Patrol Picnic

Safety and Security

Parking in front of the school between 7-9am and 2-4pm is five minutes only, and the driver must remain at the wheel. Please also adhere to these rules on Late Openings.

Double parking is prohibited, even for a

The Buckman Auction is just a few weeks away, and there are lots of ways to get involved. Here are a few:

Looking for a fun way to contribute a small amount of time to Buckman's biggest fundraiser? We need volunteers to help set up, run, and tear down this year's event. Shifts are available Friday, April 29 and Saturday, April 30. Sign up for your slot [here](#) or contact auction@buckmanelementary.org for specifics.

The auction procurement team has been busy processing donations, and there is still room for more. If you have a great idea for something fabulous to include, it's not too late! "Experience" items such as a night or two at a vacation rental or box seats at a sporting event tend to do particularly well. If you have an awesome idea, let us know: auction@buckmanelementary.org.

Don't forget about the tasty stuff! Buckman families contribute desserts to make auction night especially sweet. If you have a delicious treat you'd be willing to share, sign up [here](#).

And lastly, we hope to see everyone at the Hinson Baptist Church on auction night, April 30, at 7pm. If you haven't gotten tickets yet, head over to www.buckmanauction.org to get yours asap!

News/Events

Picture Day April 22

Get those haircut appointments made because Buckman's classroom picture day is Friday, April 22. You will receive a school picture envelope from your student's teacher shortly. Please have your student bring the form on picture day (or drop off to the teacher earlier) to ensure we have your

drop off; it ties up traffic and is very unsafe.

Dogs must always be on a leash and never left tied up.

Always enter and exit through the front doors; no exceptions unless there is an emergency.

No child can be left alone on the school grounds.

order request.

Make checks payable to Dorian Studio or include exact cash (no refunds provided). To process your credit card, please go to

www.dorianstudio.com/order and follow the prompts.

We need one more Picture Day volunteer. By helping on Friday, you would receive a Helper Voucher for a complimentary group photograph in exchange for your assistance. Please sign up with [Melina](#) in the office.

School Directory Now Available

The Buckman Directory is now available! To view online, please follow these two easy steps: 1) email directory@buckmanelementary.org to get a password and 2) use the password and open this [document](#). Once accessed, you may download and save the directory on your personal device.

With the goal to lessen our environmental impact and keep printing costs low, we encourage families to access the directory online. However, if you need a paper copy, please contact Melina or Karen in the office.

Huge thank you to Caesar Bernardo and team for their technical and editing expertise. We appreciate your help to modernize and permit easy, secured access to the Buckman directory. Thank you!

Walk and Bike to School on Earth Day!

Be kind to the beautiful earth and cut your carbon emissions and ecological footprint on April 21 by walking or biking to school. We'll meet you in the front foyer after 8:15am with treats and prizes!

Adult Zumba

On Tuesday nights at 6pm, SUN is offering an adult Zumba Class in the Dance Studio. Please help us spread the word so we can get enough folks to grow this fun offering. Five classes for \$20 or \$5 drop-in fee.

Multnomah County Library School Corps – “Welcome to Reading”

Please join us on May 4 at 6:15pm for an exciting workshop focused on ways to encourage a love of reading and the support you can find at your public libraries. We will discuss and discover book apps, math tutoring and help at the library, reading lists, audiobook recommendations, daily reading tips, how to model reading with your kids, read aloud to therapy dog programs, reading websites – tumble books and bookflix, how the levels of all books vary in terms of publishers and authors (and how to navigate those differences), and so much more! If you have any questions or want further information please contact [Sada Dewey](#) in the counseling office.

Save Buckman Pool

Friends of Buckman Pool is an advocacy group for Buckman Pool. FBP has developed a short survey about our local pool. The data collected by the survey could be helpful in arguing to keep the pool open.

Budget hearings begin in April. The survey will only be available for about 3 weeks. If you care about this wonderful resource please take the survey as soon as you can.

Here is a link to the survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BUCKMANPOOL>

Check out Friends of Buckman Pool and Save

Buckman Pool on Facebook.

Please pass this survey along to anyone you think would find it relevant!

SUN News

Summer SUN and Extra Activity Registration Forms Available

Summer SUN schedules are available so you can plan for summer camps. Register soon to reserve a spot and help us gauge summer staffing, but payments aren't needed until first day of camps. Extra activity forms are available for late openings. Register by placing either form in the SUN mail box (for late openings, please include payment and give sufficient time to process). Change forms for any changes (adding or dropping a class, additional authorized pickup persons, etc.) are also in SUN kiosk.

SUN FUNDRAISER-500 Mile Bike Ride!

Support our very own, Brittany Morris--SUN volunteer and tutoring coordinator and staff person extraordinaire--in a 500 mile charity bike ride with the proceeds going towards SUN scholarships for low income Buckman SUN students. Give online at www.gofundme.com/sunridernw. Impact NW is a 501c3 tax exempt organization so feel free to request a receipt. Please help us spread the word through your networks, friends, organizations, and family. Let's make this ride a success as Brittany does the really hard work.....

Tax Receipts

If you need receipt(s) for taxes, please email

barrillaga@impactnw.org.

SUN payments overdue

Many families have overdue payments from past terms as well as payments from spring term due. Please get those in as soon as possible or come talk with us if you are unable to pay. April 15 payments are overdue! We depend on payments for payroll and need to know where we stand. Thanks to those who have already paid!



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