

# Bridlemile Friday Flyer

MAY 26, 2023

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

5/29/2023: Memorial Day, Schools Closed

5/30/2023: **Spirit Week** - PJ's and Comfy Sweats Day

5/31/2023: **Spirit Week** - Sports Team Day

6/1/2023: **Spirit Week** - Career Day

6/2/2023: **Spirit Week** - Bridlemile Spirit Day

6/9/2023: Field Day!

6/14/2023: Last Day of School

## SPIRIT WEEK IS NEXT WEEK!

Announcing Spirit Week!





Kindergarten Butterfly Release!



Volunteer Appreciation Brunch!



Recognition and Appreciation for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Leaders in our community!

## BRIDLEMILE NEWS

Dear Bridlemile Families,

We celebrate Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Month and Jewish American Heritage Month this May. I've been admiring our hallway display recognizing local accomplished individuals from Marcus Mariota, first Pacific Islander to win the Heisman Trophy to Khanh Pham, first Vietnamese American legislator in the Oregon State Legislature. I was asked what AANHPI month means to me, and I would say the month is a joyful reminder for all of us that our differences are our strength and we are always encouraged to listen to, learn from and appreciate the diversity within our own community and beyond.

We are in the home stretch of this school year! How did the time fly so quickly this spring? I will be sharing some "beginning of year" news in the next few Friday Flyers as we finish strong this year and look ahead and plan for next year.

I thought that maybe if I didn't announce it, it wouldn't happen...but I have the bittersweet news to share that deeply admired and adored teachers, Ann Gooselaw and Becca Barlow are indeed retiring at the end of this school year. Ann has been a Kindergarten teacher at Bridlemile teaching her Lovebugs for 20+ years, and Becca has been leading Bridlemile's flagship music program for 20+ years.

Please join me in appreciation as we thank Ann and Becca for their contributions and the legacy of love for learning they promoted at Bridlemile. We extend our heartfelt gratitude for their inspiring work and the lasting imprint they have left on Bridlemile. We wish Ann and Becca all life's best in retirement and are eager to hear about all their new adventures.

In additional staff news, we welcome Amy Miner back to Bridlemile next year. Amy previously taught 1st grade at Bridlemile for several years, and we are so excited Amy is returning as our

Kindergarten teacher. I'd like to also announce that Bridlemile will have an Art teacher next year. We are excited for this additional position to our Bridlemile team.

Thank you, Bridlemile PTA, for continuing to support the GrowPortland garden program at Bridlemile next year. Every Tuesday, our students are experiencing hands-on science through GrowPortland. AND, we are excited to learn that Teacher Max will be joining us again next year.

This week, we celebrated our amazing volunteers! Thank you to all our volunteers and all our families for your support every day. From the classroom support to lunch/recess to all our school events, your efforts and contributions make our community stronger together.

Enjoy a safe and happy long weekend. See you next week as we return to Spirit Week!

Sincerely,  
Katherine

### **Tamales for Hot Lunch on Friday, May 26th**

PPS Nutrition Services teamed up with Food Hero and Salsas Locas to celebrate Latino culture with authentic Mexican tamales on Friday, May 26th. These delicious tamales will be handmade by Salsas Locas, a local Latino-owned business, and delivered to lunch trays across the district. Two types of tamales will be offered on the menu with the choice between the chicken tamale or the cheese and green chile tamale.

[Learn about who makes your tamales, how tamales are made and some fun facts about corn!](#)

Latin America is one of the most diverse regions in the world. It includes more than 30 countries, all with many different ethnic groups and cultures. Family is the heart of the Latinx community. In Latino culture, cooking and eating together is a common way of bonding. Family meals are especially important on holidays.

Learn more about Latino culture from [Food Hero](#).

### **Bridlemile Spirit Week, May 30th-June 2nd**

Don't Forget when we return to school, it's Spirit Week! Tuesday, May 30th is PJ and Comfy Sweats Day! - Wear your most comfortable PJ's or sweats to School!

### **From Our Counselors**

*Bridlemile Value Theme: Knowledge and Personal Safety*

Activities – Kaitlyn and Rachel are winding down exploring themes of College and Career and supporting the K-5 safety lessons this week by practicing the Eight Never-Never Rules with students and the Three Ways to Stay Safe (Recognize, Refuse, Report). Students are loving the fun songs that help us all learn these concepts! We encourage you to talk about these topics at home and ask questions about what they are learning during their classroom counseling lessons!

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BRIDLEMILE COUNSELORS CORNER!

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