

# Bridlemile Friday Flyer



10/22/2021

## IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 5th **NO SCHOOL**- Teacher Planning Day  
Nov 9th PTA Board Meeting; virtual 6-7pm  
Nov 10th Picture Retake Day  
Nov 11th **NO SCHOOL** - Veterans Day  
Nov 22nd-23rd Parent Teacher Conferences  
Nov 24th-27th **NO SCHOOL**- Thanksgiving Holiday

## WHAT'S NEW INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- Message from Principal Townsend-Update & Requests
- From the Office- District Guidance for Student Yearly Verification. As of Nov 1st, your ParentVue will be disabled if the YV is not completed.
- From the Nurse- Daily Self Screening Guide & Guidelines for Illness
- Counselor's Corner- Golden Lunch tray Winners! 5th Grade Leadership Information and Application
- From the Library- OBOB: Oregon Battle of the Books 2022 News
- PTA/Foundation News-[Newsletter](#); News and Updates from Foundation President Nick Fischer; Garden Committee- Garden Harvest Recap, Pictures and Thank You!!

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## FROM THE DISTRICT

[PPS COVID-19 Monitoring Dashboard](#)

[New Bus Route Check Tool](#)

**CHANGES TO BUS SCHEDULES**

Because of the severe bus driver shortage, we have experienced day-to-day changes with routes on which we do not have a driver available. To see uncovered routes each day, please see [pps.net/routecheck](https://pps.net/routecheck)

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8 October Friday | Statewide Inservice (No School)

Because of the severe bus driver shortage, PPS has experienced day-to-day changes with routes on which there is not a driver available. Parents can monitor these changes via a new route check system linked to the main PPS website. Above is a snippet from the website of what to look for. Parents can go

to either the Bridlemile homepage [School Website](#) or district homepage [www.pps.net](http://www.pps.net) and click on the banner or [pps.net/routecheck](http://pps.net/routecheck) to receive live updates of impacted routes.

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## MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL TOWNSEND

Hello Bridlemile families,

I hope all is well with each of you. Please take note of the following updates/requests

- We are still working with PBOT in order to assess our traffic concerns; especially during our dismissal. In the meantime, please continue to adhere to state laws and practice safe driving.
- I am asking those parents who arrive early for dismissal to wait in an area where students or staff are not present. Our dismissal is at 2:15pm, consequently teachers may still be working with students outside and it can be a distraction and/or disruption when parents are waiting for dismissal in the same area that teachers and students are occupying. Thank you for understanding and adhering to this request.
- Please be sure your child is dressed appropriately as the days are consistently colder; including a jacket, hat or even gloves. It may also be a good idea to label **ALL** of your student's belongings as our lost & found is becoming quite full. Please stop by at dismissal time to claim your student's missing items.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Jerome Townsend- Principal

Bridlemile Elementary

[jtownsend@pps.net](mailto:jtownsend@pps.net)

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## FROM THE OFFICE

### Student Profile Verification

**If you have not completed the Yearly Verification in ParentVue for your student, an email was sent to you last week.**

Guidance from the District:

- Online Yearly Verification via ParentVUE deadline is October 31, 2021
- Beginning on November 1, 2021, if you have not submitted the online YV, you will receive the following message upon login to PVUE: *'The Yearly Verification process must be complete to continue.'*

**This is a hard stop to log in to PVUE. You will not be able to access your account. The only options if you want to log in to your account are to click *Begin Yearly Verification* or click *Logout*.**

**\*\*\*\*If you wish to do the Verification via paper copy, please contact the office for a printout of your Student's Profile. Review and make changes on the paper copy, sign and date it and return**

to the office before October 31st.

The verification process should not take more than a few minutes and it is very important that we have the most updated information in Synergy to ensure the safety of your student. Only one parent needs to complete the online verification.

Log on to your ParentVue account [ParentVue.pps.net](https://ParentVue.pps.net) Review and update as needed. Be sure you select the YEARLY VERIFICATION tab from the menu.

See [this linked flyer](#) for details.



**REMINDER:** Please be sure you are using the Bridlemile Office email [bridlemile-office@pps.net](mailto:bridlemile-office@pps.net) when sending an absence or dismissal notification in addition to notifying your student's teacher. This is a shared mailbox and is checked by both Dana and Sonja. Thanks!

### **Dismissal- Car Pick up Queue**

Dear families,

We want to thank all of you for your continued support to ensure timely pick up of your kids at the end of each day. Dismissal is going pretty smoothly and we appreciate everyone's efforts! We do want to remind our car pick up families that we do have delivery trucks like Nutrition Services, FedEx, Office Depot, USPS and other vendors as well as other PPS vehicles that will need to pull up to the building on occasion and also for safety we need to keep the fire lanes open during school. If we can keep the parking lot clear as much as possible until around 2:00pm that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you so much for your understanding!

### **School Pay**

SchoolPay is an online web tool that allows families to pay for items such as registration fees, athletic fees, event tickets, uniforms, library fees and donations without having to make a special trip to the school or send a check with their students. It also provides the convenience of paying by Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card online or onsite.

Parents and guardians, you are able to use one log-in at SchoolPay to see all items available to you. You will also be able to see the payment history for each of your students.

Please refer to the attached SchoolPay flyer for how to create an account and make payments on SchoolPay or visit the School Pay website: [PPS SchoolPay](#)

[SchoolPay for Families Flyer](#)

[SchoolPay Spanish Flyer](#)

### **FROM THE NURSE**

[Daily Illness Self Screening Checklist](#)

[Guidelines for Illness](#)

## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Congratulations Golden Lunch Tray Winners!

### 10.22.21 Congratulations GLT winners

#### **Bridlemile 5th Grade Leadership is starting up November 1st!**

For 5th Grade Leadership application information, please click on the links below:

[2021-2022 Bridlemile Leadership Club Information](#)

[2021-2022 Bridlemile Leadership Expectations](#)

[Bridlemile 5th Grade Leadership Application](#)

## LIBRARY NEWS FROM MS. DAHINDEN

Oregon Battle of the Books 2022

OBOB registration forms are due December 17th, 2021. Forms can be downloaded from the Bridlemile Library website. See [OBOB permission form](#). School battles will be held virtually during the month of February. For more information please contact volunteer coordinator Kelly Gillespie at [kelanngillespie@gmail.com](mailto:kelanngillespie@gmail.com).

## TECHNOLOGY NEWS FROM MS. DAHINDEN

Having trouble logging into your student's account? There have been a few changes this year. Please see this page concerning [Student Accounts](#). Your student's classroom teacher can reset his or her account if needed.

## PTA/FOUNDATION NEWS

Happy Friday from PTA and Foundation!

Please see this week's PTA and Foundation [Newsletter](#). Updates this week include:

- Garden Corner: We now have a [Garden News](#) link!
- Foundation Fall Virtual Dance – DJ Bowler! October 29<sup>th</sup> 6pm
- Annie Bloom's Book Fair! Nov 8-14<sup>th</sup>

### Message from Foundation President Nick Fischer

Hey Everybody,

I hope you are all having a great start to the school year and it was nice seeing everybody during our virtual back to school night. A huge welcome to all the new Bridlemile families and welcome back to our returning students and parents. Below is some important information and upcoming dates.

### **EASY Donation Opportunities:**

- **Circle of Giving:** Please sign up if you haven't already <https://bridlemileschool.org/donate> (you can donate as little as \$5 per month)



- **Bridlemile Bottledrop:** Email us to get signed up [bridlemilebottledrop@gmail.com](mailto:bridlemilebottledrop@gmail.com)
- **Amazon Smiles:** Great way to donate! <https://bridlemileschool.org/pta-pay-online>

### Important Dates:

- **October 29th at 6:30 - Monster Mash Virtual DJ party -**  
<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83251734061&sa=D&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw3UPznC9IIgcv8CiGZmN0Zm>
- **December 4th & 5th** - Holiday Tree Sale
- **Week of March 7th** - Online Auction begins - we will be sending out more information as we get closer to the date.
- **March 11th** - Online Game Night - Double Your Dollars - we will be sending out more information as we get closer to the date.

Thank you to our entire board and all of the parent volunteers. We are all looking forward to a great year at Bridlemile.

Thanks,  
Nick Fischer  
Foundation President

### Message from the Garden Committee

The Learning Garden's Harvest Sale last Thursday and Friday was a huge success!!! Thank you to everyone for coming out and supporting your kiddos and the volunteers' hard work in the garden, and continued garden education. I would like to extend a big thank you to Kendra Joyce and volunteers for setting up the Bridlemile Pumpkin Patch, you rock! And an extra special thank you to The Learning Garden's Grandma Judy Sims who made sure the remaining pumpkins were donated to be distributed through the Neighborhood House's Food Pantry Garden in Multnomah Village.





Check out The Bridlemile Learning Garden's bountiful harvests this past week!



Farmer Jo and Grandma Judy over Wednesday and Thursday of this week harvested hundreds heirloom fingerlings potatoes. FarmerJo, having retired from her position as the beloved unofficial Bridlemile Garden Farmer last year, moved this year and is leading school garden and curriculum programs in the Las Vegas area. Farmer Jo will be sharing and planting some of the Bridlemile harvest of garlic and heirloom potatoes in her new programs in Las Vegas. So neat!



## COMMUNITY NEWS

[Multnomah Early Childhood Program Flier \(Spanish\)](#)

Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace (includes Spanish translation)



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