



10/29/2021



**Tonight!** October 29th-6pm Virtual Dance Party Bridlemile Dad, DJ Eric Bowler is going to play a fun yet spooky Friday night dance party at 6. Get in costume, dim the lights and get ready to shake those sillies out. This party is a benefit for the Bridlemile Foundation <u>Circle of Giving</u>, a great way to consistently support the school for a low monthly amount. Tune in! Hope to see you all there!!

# Zoom Link to join: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83251734061

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

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Oct 29th	5th Grade Greenery Sale Fundraiser Starts
Nov 5th	NO SCHOOL- Teacher Planning Day
Nov 8th	Annie Bloom's Book Fair Fundraiser Begins
Nov 7th	Daylight Savings Ends - Set Clocks Back!
Nov 9th	PTA Board Meeting; virtual 6-7pm <u>Google Meet</u>
Nov 10th	Picture Retake Day
Nov 11th	NO SCHOOL - Veterans Day
Nov 12th	NO SCHOOL- **New- added by the district-Teacher Planning Day
Nov 14th	Last Day to Place Greenery Orders
Nov 14th	Last Day of Annie Bloom's Book Fair Fundraiser
Nov 22nd-23rd	Parent Teacher Conferences- No Classes
Nov 24th-27th	NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving Holiday

### WHAT'S NEW INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- From the District- Nutrition Services- P-EBT Update
- From the Office- Fall Conference Update; 5th Grade Families: Middle School Transfer Cycle Dates; Recording Available from TAG info Night
- From the Library- Annie Bloom's Online and in Store Book Fair Fundraiser

FROM THE DISTRICT PPS COVID-19 Monitoring Dashboard

### New Bus Route Check Tool

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. Parents can go to either the Bridlemile homepage <u>School Website</u> or district homepage <u>www.pps.net</u> and click on the yellow banner or <u>pps.net/routecheck</u> to receive live updates of impacted routes.

#### Nutrition Services P-EBT UPDATE FROM DHS

Final P-EBT benefit issuances will be sent out over the week of October 22-30. Families have started to receive a notice explaining the end of the School Year 20/21 and Summer P-EBT program period.

Families have 12 months to use your P-EBT food benefits before they expire. For example, this means that:

- Food benefits deposited on July 22, 2021 will be available to use until July 22, 2022
- Food benefits deposited on Sept. 22, 2021 will be available until Sept. 22, 2022

Families can check available food benefits, and the day they were deposited using the ebtEDGE.com website. Families are encouraged to keep their P-EBT card for any future food benefits that may be issued. Please visit pebt.oregon.gov, call 503-945-6481 or email ebt.schoolmeals@dhsoha.state.or.us with questions. This project has been funded, at least in part, with Federal funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

# **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 <u>jtownsend@pps.net</u>

# FROM THE OFFICE

# **Bridlemile TAG Info Night**

If you missed the TAG info night, you can access the recording <u>here</u>. The passcode is .V5F4MX\* and the actual meeting starts at the 2 minute and 37 second mark (before that you just get a lot of me looking awkwardly at the screen).

If you have questions about TAG or would like more information, please contact Mr. Stenger by emailing <a href="mailto:pstenger@pps.net">pstenger@pps.net</a>

### **CONFERENCES**

Hello Bridlemile Families,

As you may already know, conferences are right around the corner. Conference dates are scheduled to take place on November 22-23. Please look out for communication from your classroom teachers for information pertaining to scheduling and access to virtual meeting links.

Creating a partnership with your child's teacher around your child's learning can make a big difference. Here is a link for some helpful tips to consider when attending parent/teacher conferences: <u>PPS School-Family partnerships</u>

### For 5th Grade Families Only

# From PPS Enrollment & Transfer Department -ANNOUNCING NEW MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL TRANSFER CYCLE DATES

Middle and high school transfer applications for the 2022-23 school year will be available November 29-December 17. A complete list of events during the cycle will be posted on the PPS Explore Your Options <u>webpage</u>. Middle and high school transfer and dual assignment results will be announced in mid-January and uploaded to Synergy by February 1.

### **Student Profile Verification**

### **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 <u>ParentVue.pps.net</u> Review and update as needed. Be sure you select the <u>YEARLY VERIFICATION</u> tab from the menu. See <u>this linked flyer</u> for details.

<u>REMINDER:</u> Please be sure you are using the Bridlemile Office email <u>bridlemile-office@pps.net</u> 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: <u>PPS SchoolPay</u>

<u>SchoolPay for Families Flyer</u> <u>SchoolPay Spanish Flyer</u>

# FROM THE NURSE

Daily Illness Self Screening Checklist Guidelines for Illness

# **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

### 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 Annie Bloom's Online and in Store Book Fair

This year Bridlemile will be partnering with Annie Bloom's bookstore for an online and in store fair. The fair will run from Monday, November 8th-Sunday, November 14th.

All purchases, including special orders, gift cards, puzzles, etc..., made in Annie Bloom's store will count towards the fair. Just mention "Bridlemile Book Fair" when purchasing the items. Online orders have an "order comments" section at checkout where customers can indicate the purchase goes towards the Bridlemile fair.

To access the fair click on this link: Bridlemile Book Fair.

# Oregon Battle of the Books 2022

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

# **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 <u>Student Accounts</u>. Your student's classroom teacher can reset his or her account if needed.

# **PTA/FOUNDATION NEWS**

Happy Friday from PTA and Foundation! Please click the link to see this week's PTA and Foundation <u>Newsletter</u>. Updates this week include:

- Foundation Fall Virtual Dance TONIGHT 6pm Join on Zoom
- New Bridlemile Mural Apparel! You can purchase to show your spirit and support at <a href="https://smilebridlemile.com/">https://smilebridlemile.com/</a>
- Garden Corner: Pumpkin Contest results are IN! Check it out in Garden News!
- Coming soon! Annie Bloom's Book Fair! Nov 8-14<sup>th</sup>

See ya in November Bridlemile!

Kendra and Nick

# Holiday Greenery Sale Going on Now!

Bridlemile's 5th grade classes have partnered with Teufel Farms to sell beautiful wreaths, garland, centerpieces, and dwarf Alberta Spruce trees. Shop early! Visit <u>https://my.cheddarup.com/c/5th-grade-holiday-greenery-sale</u> to place your order today.

Orders are due by Sunday November 14th.

Greenery will be ready for pickup on December 1st and 2nd. Questions? Contact Christie Doerr <u>cakdoerr@gmail.com</u>, Katherine Stanley <u>katherine\_stanley@hotmail.com</u>, Christina Crouse <u>christinacrouse@gmail.com</u>

# **Charleston Wrap Orders**

Hi, Bridlemile families!

Charleston Wrap orders are arriving Thursday, November 18th. Stay tuned for more information in a future Flyer.

# 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 <u>https://bridlemileschool.org/donate</u> (you can donate as little as \$5 per month)
- Bridlemile Bottledrop: Email us to get signed up bridlemilebottledrop@gmail.com
- Amazon Smiles: Great way to donate! <u>https://bridlemileschool.org/pta-pay-online</u>

# Important Dates:

- October 29th at 6:30 Monster Mash Virtual DJ party -<u>https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83251734061&sa=D&sou</u> <u>rce=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw3UPznC9IIGcv8CiGZmN0Zm</u>
- 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



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