



Bridlemile Friday Flyer

December 8, 2023

This is the place for all current news from Bridlemile school. Please make sure to read your Friday Flyer every week!

Important Dates to Remember:

12/12: Picture Retake Day

12/14: Rescheduled Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day

12/15: Office Hours with Principal Hu, 3-3:30 PM, Google Meet Link: meet.google.com/sko-vivj-ajb

12/18-22: Make up instructional days

12/23/23-1/1/2024: Winter Break

1/9: Family/Teacher Conferences

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1/18: Family Teacher Conferences

Check your Beagle Backpacks today!

Quarter 1 report cards are coming home via backpacks today. K-5 envelopes will also include the Fall i-Ready math diagnostic assessment report and grades 3-5 will have Reading and Math MAP assessment reports.

For more information about the new K-5 report card, please visit <https://www.pps.net/k5reportcard>

January Family-Teacher Conferences

Bridlemile will be hosting afternoon and evening conferences, in-person and virtual. Look for classroom sign-up sheets by **December 15th**. Our teachers are looking forward to the opportunity

to meet and talk with you.



Lost and Found

We are moving our (ahem) three full racks of Lost and Found clothing to the main lobby during conferences. We encourage you to stop by and take a look-see for any misplaced items. Labeled items help us return items back to the student.

A Reminder to Families about school December 18-22

PPS recognizes that families have previously scheduled plans on Dec 18-22 makeup instructional days. **If you know your student will be out for that week, please let our Bridlemile Office know. These absences will be excused.**

You can also report absences in advance through [ParentVue](#).
[The directions are available here.](#)

Friday is Bridlemile Spirit Day

Remember that Friday is Bridlemile Spirit day! Wear your Bridlemile gear or Bridlemile blue and gold!



Updated School Calendar showing new school dates now available

[Go to this website to view the updated 23-24 school calendar](#) with the new school dates.

Translated copies are also available. In addition to December 18-22, we will have school for the following dates:

1. January 26
2. February 19 (Presidents' Day)
3. April 8
4. June 12
5. June 13
6. June 14

SPOTLIGHT: This week in Library/Technology with Ms. Arick and Ms. Wick



K-2: We are exploring Beebots this week in technology. Beebots are programmable crawling bees that teach simple directional programming and allow students to record and playback sounds. Students are gaining sequencing, estimation, and problem solving skills. This week we are helping Mario pass Bowser to get to Princess Peach by becoming computer scientists and coding the Beebot and Mario to the finish line!

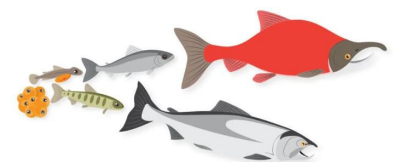
3-5: We are learning hands-on robotics, math, and programming with Ozobots. With this introduction to coding, students use color combinations to move on a path from one location to another. They are working in pairs to program them to spin, zigzag, and even tornado!

Check out our community table this week too! We switched things up with a Stick Together poster. Each student gets a set of stickers to add to the poster at checkout. It is a colorful collaboration between grades K-5. What will the picture turn out to be?



What's up, Fry?

Studying the salmon life cycle is part of 4th grade science curriculum. As part of the Salmon in the Classroom program with U.S. Fish and Wildlife, Bridlemile will be hosting a salmon tank, which we will house in the main lobby so that all Beagles will have the opportunity to watch our salmon grow from egg, alevin, fry, parr, smolt, to adult. We plan to have a salmoncam for online viewing as well!



Dr. Nicole Hams, fish biologist, and colleague, JJ Mora-Flores set up our new Salmon in the Classroom fish tank. We are getting our fish tank ready now for salmon egg delivery in January.



Bridlemile School Counselor Newsletter

Twice a month the Bridlemile Counseling Team sends out information about what we are doing, books we are reading and upcoming events. For more information click on the link below.



5th Grade Families

Please check-out the Bridlemile Counselor Newsletter this week for information about Middle School enrollment and transfer directions and deadlines!

Student Health Services: Reminders

Dear Families and Students,

We are so glad to have you back at school! We also wanted to remind you about actions you can take to stay healthy so you can stay in class and be ready to learn:

- Illness: Please keep your child home when they have [symptoms](#) that may exclude them from school.
- Student health conditions: Please update the school and nurse if there has been any change in your student's health condition during the time of the strike.
- Student medications: Please replenish medications that your student may need to receive during the school day. Also, remember to pick up your student's expired medications from the school.
- State-required vaccines/immunizations: Ensure your student is up-to-date on all [school-required immunizations](#). Students who do not provide proper immunization documentation by February 21, 2024 will be excluded from school. Primary care providers - including Student Health Centers and [Multnomah County Health Department](#) - provide no- to low-cost vaccinations to students.
- Access to health care: [Multnomah County Student Health Centers](#) and the [Benson Wellness Center](#) remain open during regular hours. Student Health Centers are a great place for students to receive sports physicals, well-child visits, school immunizations (shots), COVID-19 testing, vaccines & boosters, mental/behavioral health, age-appropriate reproductive services, routine lab tests, and prescription refills.

Health care coverage/insurance: People of any age or immigration status may be eligible for full Oregon Health Plan (OHP) benefits. OHP is Oregon's Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program. Click [here](#) to learn more about eligibility, and to apply or report changes online.

Families who do not qualify for OHP can sign up for health coverage during the Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace [open enrollment](#) period, occurring now through January 15, 2024.

Financial help for Marketplace plans also may be available. Find out what coverage and savings you can get - and find free, local help - at [OregonHealthCare.gov](#).

Bridlemile Foundation Updates

Dear Bridlemile Families,

A warm and heartfelt thank you for contributing to the overwhelming success of the Bridlemile Tree Sale; not only did we sell 92% of our trees and achieve outstanding feedback on the ornaments, we also cherished the joy of spending time together, sipping coffee, and building a stronger community—it truly was a memorable and community-enhancing experience!

Due to popular demand, we're ordering more ornaments set to arrive next week, and details on how to secure yours will be communicated shortly. Your incredible support and the hard work of our dedicated volunteers made this event a true celebration of our Bridlemile spirit!

- The Bridlemile Foundation is the only source of funding for Bridlemile that can pay for additional school staffing. Donations to Foundation not only support Bridlemile, but 30% of all Foundation proceeds goes to support the PPS Equity Fund for schools who have a higher percentage of underserved population.
- This year, the Foundation is hoping to raise funding to continue supporting additional counseling services, a reading specialist, and technology instruction.

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