11/2/2018

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>       Garden Work Party, 9am-1pm, Bridlemile Garden  
Nov 12<sup>th</sup>     **NO SCHOOL**- Veteran’s Day  
Nov 13<sup>th</sup>     Picture Re-Take Day  
Nov 13<sup>th</sup>     PTA Board Meeting, 8:05am  
Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>     Fall Book Fair Week  
Nov 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>     **NO SCHOOL** – Parent/Teacher Conferences  
Nov 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>     **NO SCHOOL**- THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY  
Nov 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>     Passport Club, Grades 1-5, Lunch Recess, Library

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Bridlemile Families,

As we get ready to transition into November, I would like to remind parents about our Fall Book Fair from November 13<sup>th</sup> through November 16<sup>th</sup>. The Fall Book Fair is a wonderful fundraiser coordinated by our dedicated PTA and directly benefits and supports Bridlemile students.

Additionally, I want to remind you about parent/teacher conferences on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. If you have not yet signed up for a parent/teacher conference, please do so by contacting your child’s teacher. Parent/teacher conferences are a great opportunity for you to hear more about your child’s progress in the classroom and to ask questions about supporting your child’s academic success for the remainder of the school year.

Thank you again for a wonderful start to the year. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming school events and parent/teacher conferences on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

With gratitude,
Brad Pearson  
Principal
FROM THE OFFICE
Dear Parent Volunteers,

Per state law and PPS policy, any person volunteering must sign a Confidentiality Agreement. Attached above is the Volunteer Confidentiality Agreement Form. Please read through, sign and return it to the office before your next visit to Bridlemile. You can email the form to Bridlemile-office@pps.net, or print out and submit a hard copy to the office.

All volunteers must have a background check completed and current. To submit a background check please go to: https://volunteer.pps.net

A volunteer’s involvement includes, but is not limited to:

- Assisting teachers and school administration
- Offering tutoring or enrichment activities to students
- Participating in school organizations such as PTAs
- Providing counsel to the school district as members of advisory committees
- Improving school grounds and buildings

Many thanks for all your support!
Bridlemile Office

Parent/Teacher Conferences are around the corner! 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: https://www.pps.net/Page/961

COUNSELOR’S CORNER
Welcome to the Counselor Corner!
Week of 11/2/18: Theme – Diversity

Activities – We are about to enter and explore the second Bridlemile value, Diversity. We will highlight the importance and meaning of Diversity: the condition of having or being composed of differing elements: especially: the inclusion of different types of people (such as people of different races or cultures) in a group or organization in both our classrooms, communities, and Bridlemile community. Ask your student(s) how he/she feels diversity contributes to a strong and positive community!

Today (Friday, 11/2) at lunch, we celebrated Mix-It-Up Day, encouraging students to identify, question, and cross social boundaries. This event is organized by Teaching Tolerance. We encourage you to ask your student(s) about their experience and lunch, and please take a few minutes to learn more by visiting the websites provided!

Conflict and disagreements are normal and can happen both at home and at school. But when hurtful words and gestures and physical aggression take the place of productive problem-solving, the interaction is no longer an acceptable way of managing the problem. We are guiding our problem-solving and restorative justice conversations with students around Kelso’s Wheel. Our goal is to teach students several positive ways to deal with difficult situations before small problems become big problems. We are working with students to practice these ideas to solve minor problems and work together to prevent big problems:

1. Go to another game or activity
2. Respectfully talk it over and listen to each other
3. Walk away from the problem
4. Ignore the problem behavior
5. Tell the person to stop the behavior
6. Apologize
7. Make a deal or Compromise
8. Wait to cool off
9. Share and take turns

These Kelso Choices are tools that can be used at home or in extra-curricular activities too!

Events – What’s coming up:
- Food Drive: November 6th-20th

Have a wonderful weekend!

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FROM MS. BARLOW
Due to the overwhelming show of interest in the string program at Bridlemile, we have decided to offer an after-school program for the 3rd-graders. It will be a year-long program and act as a feeder for the more advanced group during school. For now, the program will be for violin only. Please read the attached information and come and play some great music!

Ms. Barlow

LIBRARY NEWS
Dear Parents and all readers!

This week we launched OBOB, (Oregon Battle of the Books) 2018-19 for grades 3rd-5th at Bridlemile. Students have until Nov. 21st to form teams and turn in their team registration form.

One topic many students are curious about is how the 16 books on the OBOB list are selected. The answer is that they are nominated by readers! Next a volunteer committee of adults reads all the nominations that are in paperback and choose 16 titles so that a variety of genres and diverse interests are represented.

NOW is the time if you would like to suggest books for NEXT year's list. The nomination period ends on October 31. If you have some books that you think would be good for 3rd-5th grade, please nominate them at this link:

OBOB Title Nomination Form

OBOB 2019-2020 Title Nomination Form
docs.google.com

Recommendations are welcome from teachers, librarians and ALL other members of the reading community for the 2019-2020 Oregon Battle of the Books list. Suggestions from authors or publishers are not accepted. These are suggestions for the Grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 Divisions. Please fill out as much information as is possible. Limit of three titles per division, per person. Submit titles by October 31st, 2018. Email questions to: Courtney Snyder-obobtitlechair@gmail.com

Bridlemile OBOB sign-up and resources are available in the library and online at Bridlemile Library.

My bottom line when it comes to OBOB is: READ - BE KIND TO YOUR TEAM - HAVE FUN! Let me know if you have questions or suggestions.
MESSAGE FROM OUTREACH
Thanksgiving is right around the corner! Let's do our best to support families within our Bridlemile community so that we can all enjoy a comforting holiday meal. If you would like to purchase one or more $25 Fred Meyer gift cards to donate, please sign up by clicking here (http://signup.com/go/qsijnnL) so that we can anticipate how many cards we will have for distribution. Cards need to be turned in to the Bridlemile office no later than November 16. Donated gift cards will be turned over to the school counselors for distribution.

If you would prefer to donate any amount online, funds will be used to purchase gift cards for distribution. Donations can be made here (https://my.cheddarup.com/c/thanksgiving-outreach-donations) before November 16.

Thank you for your generosity!

Bridlemile Outreach

PTA NEWS

5th Grade Holiday Greenery Sale
The 5th Grade Holiday Greenery Sale is happening now! We have partnered with Teufel Farms to provide beautiful wreaths, garland, centerpieces, and dwarf Alberta Spruce trees. Proceeds fund the 5th grade class community service project and end of the year graduation celebrations. Flyers and order forms are attached here.

Online orders and payments can be made at: https://my.cheddarup.com/c/holiday-greenery-sale-support-5th-grade

Orders are due by November 9th.
Greenery will be ready for pickup on November 28th and 29th in the cafeteria.
Questions? Contact Sarah Porter: holidaygreenery@gmail.com

Scholastic Book Fair
We need volunteers...we need YOU! Volunteering at the Book Fair is the perfect way to stay connected to your child at school and help students find the books they can't wait to read.

Sign up now and get ready for a fun and rewarding volunteering experience. http://signup.com/go/BMdcTJD

OPEN Tuesday, Nov 13th-Friday Nov 16th 7 am - 6 pm DAILY

25% of purchases go toward helping the school via the Bridlemile PTA
MARSHALL CLOTHES CLOSET: 5 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The PTA Clothing Center serves over 1700 PPS Students each year, providing free clothes and shoes to PPS families in need. Bridlemile is assigned to provide 5 volunteers to help at the Clothing Center twice a year. Our first spot is THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH from 9:30am - 1:30pm at MARSHALL (FRANKLIN HS) Campus / 3905 SE 91st, Room C-60, Portland, OR 97226. PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE LINK BELOW:

MARSHALL CLOTHES CLOSET SIGN-UP  http://signup.com/login/entry/637020303853926053

Thank you from the Bridlemile Clothing Closet team.

Garden Committee

Burn Off Some Fun Size Calories!

If you’ve been sneaking candy from your kid’s bag, here’s the perfect opportunity to burn it off and help the Bridlemile Garden!
The Garden Work Party is Saturday November 3rd from 9am-1pm.

- No green thumb needed
- Come rain or shine (looks like we may have a dry day!!!)
- Bring your kids and your gardening tools

We’re thrilled to have some amazing support including donations from Parr Lumber, Conrad Lumber and Fred Meyer. That means we have a lot of mulch to move and need your help!
Plus, we’ve received a grant from the West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District that will help us put in native plants.
Hope to see you there!
- The Garden Committee
FROM THE FOUNDATION
Hello Bridlemile Parents –

Do you travel incessantly for work or pleasure and have a good backlog of airline miles? I would love to chat with you about donating a couple of round trip tickets in the US (excluding Hawaii and Puerto Rico) to the auction for a lot item. Please LMK what airline and whether transfer fees apply (if you know). You will be responsible for booking the tickets ONCE only and then the rest is up to the item purchaser, so you will not be on the hook for anything but either 1) transferring the miles or 2) making a couple ticket reservations.

MANY THANKS in advance, Kristin – kcornuelle@orrick.com or ksc8@pacbell.net

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL CLUSTER (Gray/Wilson & West Sylvan/Lincoln)

Lincoln High School Dance Team Clinic

Please support the Lincoln High School Dance Team in their annual Dance Clinic fundraiser.
- The dance clinic will be held at West Sylvan Middle School during the November conferences on Monday, November 19th and Tuesday, November 20th.
- The clinic is from 9am to 4pm both days with a Routine Showcase at 3:15 on Tuesday. Friends and Family are invited to watch the showcase.
- The clinic is open to grades K-8 and the participants will be divided by age and/or ability.
• Lunch is required both days, but snacks will be provided.
• Dancers should wear athletic attire that allows freedom of movement.
• To register, please fill out this google form: https://goo.gl/forms/UQQ4Ix0W0TvG1xNH3
• Feel free to spread the word to others in your community. Fundraiser cost is $100 per dancer.
• If you have questions, please contact Colleen Huard at cfhuard@comcast.net.

FALL AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday
• Soccer by Soccer Shots- Outside field
  https://www.soccershots.org/pdx/

• Yoga Playgrounds, Faculty Lounge outside Portable
  http://www.yogaplaygrounds.com/

Tuesday
• Chess Wizards, Faculty Lounge outside Portable
  https://chesswizards.com/

Wednesday
• Spanish by Kids Like Languages, Faculty Lounge outside Portable
  Kids Like Languages

Thursday
• My Masterpiece Art, Faculty Lounge outside Portable
  http://www.mymasterpieceartstudio.com/education-contact/

School Website
503-916-6292
Archived Friday Flyer Newsletters
PTA/Foundation website

![Image of a puppy]