

Bridlemile Friday Flyer



12/7/2018

IMPORTANT DATES:

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| Dec 11 th | PTA Board Meeting, 6:30pm, Portable |
| Dec 11 th – 14 th | Passport Club, Grades 1-5, Lunch Recess, Library |
| Dec 13 th | 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th Grade Music Program, 3 rd grade: 6:00pm, 4 th & 5 th : 6:45pm, Cafeteria |
| Dec 17 th - Jan 1 st | WINTER BREAK |

FROM THE OFFICE



Principal Pearson is seeking ready and willing parent volunteers to act as our crossing guard at the intersection of 45th & Hamilton and the new zebra crosswalk located at the intersection of SW 44th and SW 47th. If you are interested in volunteering for crossing guard duty (mornings, afternoons, or both!) please contact the front office. Thank you!!

***Please be aware, there is no curb parking or stopping at the T intersection at 44th & 47th.**

Grades 3-5 drop off is now located to the east of the intersection @44th & 47th. To turn around, drivers should continue one block east to the roundabout on SW 43rd & SW 47th.

- Friday Flyers are now posted on our Bridlemile website- you can access the archives by going to the 'Friday Flyer Newsletter' tab on the homepage. click here: [Archived Friday Flyer Newsletters](#)
- If you are a volunteer we must have a Volunteer Confidentiality Agreement Form on file for you, this is a state law. Forms are in the office next to the sign-in laptop. Please make sure to fill out and turn into the office on or before the next time you come in to volunteer. 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

Bridlemile School Directory

If you ordered a school directory, you should have received it yesterday via backpack express. If you think that you ordered one, but did not receive it, **please contact Leslie Gillis at rezrie@gmail.com.**

If you did not order a directory, but would like one, they are available to purchase in the office. The cost is \$5 and you may pay cash or check made out to Bridlemile PTA.

FROM THE NURSE

If your child is still incomplete in their immunizations, please make arrangements to obtain vaccinations and to provide this information to the school. Exclusion Day for state required vaccinations is Wednesday February 20th, 2019. Students who are not current will not be able to attend school until current immunization records are provided to school staff.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Welcome to the Counselor Corner!

Week of 12/03/18: **Theme** – Diversity

Activities – We are continuing to explore the second Bridlemile value, *Diversity*, for the rest of the month. Now that our students have been introduced to the word and its meaning within the Community, our lessons and conversations are encouraging them to incorporate Kindness into the equation. Instead of simply *tolerating* or *respecting* people different than ourselves, we are promoting the *celebration* of differences within our Communities! Our language around this topic is – “Our differences make our Community awesome!” How are you continuing these conversations at home?

Group Activity – **Validations** Class Activity involving students giving and receiving deliberate, positive comments to each other to celebrate different characteristics and accomplishments.

Books we have read:

[Try a Little Kindness](#) (Cole)

[Talk and Work it Out](#) (Meiners)

Videos we have watched:

[Color Your World with Kindness](#)

[Sesame Street: Robin Williams – Conflict](#)

Holiday Resources:

- 211.org
- [Salvation Army](#) (food, gifts)
- Conexiones/Latino Network
- Toy and Joy Makers
- St. Vincent dePaul (food, gifts, rent assistance)

Article to read:

- [“8 Ways to Teach Your Kids to be Grateful”](#)

Announcement -- Our [“Counselor Corner”](#) website is now LIVE and can be found under the Quick Links tab on the left hand side of the [Bridlemile website](#). This will be an on-going work-in-progress as we continue to add over time. Enjoy!

Have a wonderful weekend!

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MESSAGE FROM MS. BARLOW



Dear Grade 3,4 and 5 Parents,

We want to invite you to our Music Program on Thursday, Dec.13th.
Here is some info:

The Third Graders will need to be in their classrooms at 5:45 for a **6:00 p.m.** performance. The Grade 3 concert will last approximately 25 minutes. At this point we will need to clear the cafeteria and you will pick up your child by their classroom. Please exit down the hall by the kindergarten classrooms so that the hallway traffic might be a little less crowded. Dress is comfortable and casual.

The Fourth and Fifth graders will need to be in their classrooms at 6:30. Their program will begin at **6:45** sharp and will last approximately 40 minutes. The Fourth graders will need their recorders.

Please keep any smaller children with you or on your lap and please keep your Bridlemile students with you until you drop them off with their teachers in their classrooms. If you do not have a child in Third Grade please be respectful of their performance and wait to enter the cafeteria until 6:30 p.m.

We will see you there!!! Thank you, Becca Barlow- Music teacher

FROM NUTRITION SERVICES

Starting the week of January 14, 2019, the Nutrition Services department will be utilizing School Messenger to notify families by phone and email about student meal account balances. Kitchen staff will continue to provide personal phone call reminders and/or paper letters home. If you have questions about student meal accounts or other information, please visit our webpage www.pps.net/nutrition or call our department 503-916-3399.

FROM THE LIBRARY

1. The [Regal Beagle Reading Award](#) was kicked off this week. Please consider encouraging all of our students to read all the Regal Beagle Books. They are fun, beautiful, thought provoking and written by award winning authors and illustrators. Please see the complete book list at [Regal Beagle Readers](#) on the library website. Thank you to Ann Hoffman for conceiving and organizing this new reading program designed specifically for our amazing readers.
2. **OBOB : Students** in 3rd and 5th grade will have practice battles in the library classes next week. After that, they may practice in the library during lunch recess. They may practice with anyone to learn the procedures and learn the feel for the types of questions. **Parents:** please consider signing up your child for [Test Your Knowledge Sessions at the Bethany Public Library](#), and the [mock battles at the Cedar Mill library](#). These are coming up soon so look at the library event information and consider if your child can attend. We need volunteer battle masters (adults) for our school battles on Feb. 15, 22 and 28 from 11:30 to 2:00pm. Please contact Kelly Gillespie (503 484-3204) if you would like to volunteer. She will tell you everything you need to know. Volunteers may wish to view the [OBOB Training video for volunteers](#) (attached in the event the link does not work for you).

Library Book Room Volunteers Needed

Ms. Burke is looking for volunteers who have some time during the day to dedicate to our new leveled book room. This is a longterm volunteer job that will need consistent support each week but will benefit classroom teachers greatly in accessing the leveled books to use with students.

Lisa Kane, Bridlemile's Literacy Coach, will train you on what needs to be done to re-organize the book room so materials can be seen and checked out by teachers. Lisa will train the volunteers on Dec. 11, 12, and 13, and then we can set up a schedule from there. If you would like to be trained for this job, please contact Leslie Gillis and let her know which days you are available for training, and times of day that are best for you. Then, she will connect you with Lisa for more information. Thank you!

Leslie Gillis

rezrie@gmail.com

MESSAGE FROM OUTREACH

Time is running out for Bridlemile's Holiday Gift Drive but there is still time to donate! Choose a giving opportunity that works best for you:

#1 Go online to view the gift wish list

Donated gifts must be turned in to the office **NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12.**

#2 Donate gift cards

Purchase gift cards in any amount from Fred Meyer, Target, Albertsons, Starbucks, and/or Dutch Brothers (only these retailers, please) and turn them in at the Bridlemile office **NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 12.**

#3 Donate funds

Donate money with just a few clicks via our online collection site. The funds collected will be used to purchase gift cards.

Thank you for your generosity!

Bridlemile Outreach

PTA NEWS

Passport Club

Thank you to all of our Passport Club volunteers who have already signed up for next week's club! We have 3 spots still available on Friday, Dec. 14. Please [Sign Up Here](#) or email Riikka or Brynn.

Thank you!

Riikka (riikka.marr@gmail.com) and Brynn (brynnkblack@gmail.com)

Bringing the Outdoors Inside

The Portland rain can't stop our plans for Garden education. From learning about the white oak acorn to popping homegrown popcorn, Bridlemile kiddos are busy learning (thanks to Judy Sims!) even while it's quiet out in the garden.

Don't forget, there's still time to order your personalized paver for the outdoor learning plaza. Pick up a form in the office or [click here](#) to get going.



Terracycle

As a school, we have already recovered lots of foil-lined snack wrappers through Terracycle AND markers through Crayola ColorCycle instead of sending them to landfills! Thank you! Let's keep up the good work! We have found that the squeeze pouch collection is less successful- they are messy and stinky- just ask the fruit flies that gathered in the bin! We will discontinue this aspect of the program for the time being. But PLEASE keep collecting your snack wrappers!

Thank you, the Sustainability Committee

 **Bring it on Beagles!**

The Bridlemile Sustainability Committee Needs YOUR Help!

We want your empty foil-lined wrappers!

Turn this... into this... instead of this.



Bring your wrappers to the blue bin in the cafeteria all year!

RECYCLE ENERGY BAR WRAPPERS!

Every year, billions of energy bar wrappers end up in dumpsters and landfills across America. We are working with TerraCycle to put an end to this enormous loss of resources.

The Energy Bar Wrapper Recycling Program allows us to recycle these wrappers and products, then turn them back up in landfills.

And not only are you helping the environment, but the wrappers you recycle with us have the potential to earn funding for our school or organization.

 



Drop off your wrappers at:

Bridlemile Cafeteria
in the marked blue bin



Your collect on location:

Marcia Froot & Olivia Bass
mfroot707@gmail.com



The more you recycle, the more we'll earn!

njeanne@gmail.com

Learn more at www.terracycle.com.

FROM THE FOUNDATION

THANK YOU!!!!!!! The Bridlemile Foundation would like to thank everyone who participated at the annual Pancake Breakfast and Tree Sale this past weekend! With the help of 20+ volunteers working more than 200 volunteer hours, we flipped over 500 pancakes, served 200+ people, and sold 140 trees. The event generated approximately \$4,000, which is about 2% of the \$190k Foundation goal to support teaching and staff positions at Bridlemile.

Thank you for your support,

The Foundation board members

CIRCLE OF GIVING

Congratulations to the following winners who were drawn to receive exciting prizes as our thanks for joining the Circle of Giving!

- Ryan Bestwick - 1 Free Tree at the Bridlemile tree sale
- Rebecca Duncan - 4 tickets to the pancake breakfast
- The Thompson Family - 2 tickets to the *Tall Trees, Big Dreams* auction

If you're not a winner, don't worry! Everyone who joins the Circle of Giving is a winner because they are helping to make Bridlemile Elementary the BEST school possible. Join us today! <https://www.bridlemileschool.com/foundation-donation-page>

Girls on the Run

Bridlemile will have two Girls on the Run (GOTR) teams this spring and we are in need of a few more volunteer coaches to make the season successful. Lottery registration will open Thursday, January 10th at 9AM (it is a lottery this year, not first come, first served) for girls to sign up.

Interested in coaching? Visit www.girlsontherunpdx.org/coach to learn more. You can also check out this short video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T9_PC-fvdXA.

If you have questions, contact the Bridlemile Girls on the Run Site Coordinator, Jennifer Whitten @ jennifer.ann.whitten@gmail.com

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

West Sylvan Drama

Presents: Once On This Island Jr.

When: December 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th at 7 PM and Matinee December 8th at 2:00

Tickets: 7\$ for students, and 10\$ for adults, children 5 and under free. Reserve your tickets today at <http://westsylvandrama.com/>

Robert Gray Middle School

Fall Play Tickets on Sale

A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare

Performances:

Friday, December 7 - 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 8 - Closing Show, 7:00 pm

Ticket Sales: For online ticket purchase, visit [BUY TICKETS](#). You can also buy at the door before the show.

Questions? tickets@rgmsdrama.com

FALL AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday

- Soccer by Soccer Shots- Outside field (*Fall session ends 12/10*)
<https://www.soccershots.org/pdx/>
- Yoga Playgrounds, Faculty Lounge outside Portable (*Fall session ends 12/10*)
<http://www.yogaplaygrounds.com/>

UPCOMING WINTER AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday

- Soccer by Soccer Shots- Outside field (*Begins 1/7*)
<https://www.soccershots.org/pdx/>
- Yoga Playgrounds, Faculty Lounge outside Portable (*Begins 1/7-see attached flyer-***THERE IS SPACE FOR 4 MORE STUDENTS AS OF 12/6*)
<http://www.yogaplaygrounds.com/>

Tuesday

- Chess Wizards, Faculty Lounge outside Portable – *Begins 1/8*
<https://chesswizards.com/>

Wednesday

- Spanish by Kids Like Languages, Faculty Lounge outside Portable (*Begins 1/23*)
[Kids Like Languages](#)

Thursday

- My Masterpiece Art, Faculty Lounge outside Portable (*Begins 1/17-see attached flyer*)
<http://www.mymasterpieceartstudio.com/education-contact/>

[School Website](#)

503-916-6292

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