**IMPORTANT DATES:**

Jan 21st  
NO SCHOOL – MLK Holiday

Jan 22nd  
NO SCHOOL – Teacher Planning Day **(front office will be closed this day for staff training)**

Jan 24th  
5th Grade Science Fair

Jan 29th – Feb 1st  
Passport Club

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**MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Bridlemile Community,

As we round out the first few weeks back from winter break, I wanted to let you know it has been a great start to 2019. The students have returned to school routines and are doing an incredible job working and learning in their classrooms. It is hard to believe we are already halfway through the school year. As a reminder, this coming Tuesday January 22nd is a teacher grading/planning day. This is time for teachers to complete second quarter report cards for students. Second quarter report cards will be sent home with students on Monday, January 28th.

As we move into the second half of the school year, I want to remind everyone that we will continue to highlight our school values of **community, diversity, integrity, kindness** and **knowledge** in our classrooms and also at each of our upcoming assemblies. Our assemblies are a wonderful opportunity for us all to come together as a community to learn and celebrate our school values. Just this past week, staff and student leadership performed a skit teaching about our value of **integrity**. They did a wonderful job! Our next assembly will be focusing on our value of **kindness**. Our school counselors and classroom teachers will also continue to teach about our school values through social-emotional lessons as we move through the remainder of the school year.
A heartfelt thanks to you all for your dedication and commitment to our learning community and to all our Bridlemile students. I wish you a healthy and happy new year and hope you have a relaxing holiday weekend. See you on January 23rd.

Sincerely,

Brad Pearson
Principal

Internet Safety: What Parents Need to Know
Thursday, February 7, 2019 at 6:30pm

Presented by the Portland Police Bureau
& the Bridlemile Site Council
Guest Speaker: Portland Police Officer Heather Hughes

Elementary age children today access the internet at school and at home, via computers, smart phones and other handheld devices.

There are many internet safety concerns that parents should be aware of including: inappropriate content, online privacy, cyberbullying, and inappropriate communications from friends and strangers.

Please join us to learn more about how to help your children navigate the internet safely!

This presentation is for adults only
Childcare will be provided

FROM THE DISTRICT

Child Care Parent/Guardian Satisfaction Survey: 2018-19 ***LAST DAY TODAY

Portland Public Schools is interested in learning about your child’s experience in before and after school care. Please complete this survey by Friday, January 18th, and for best results, complete one survey for each child. Survey link.

Click this link for translations of this message into PPS supported languages.

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FROM THE OFFICE

- Report cards will be sent home with students in their backpacks on Monday January 28th.
On Tuesday 1/22 (the teacher planning day-no school) Dana and Sonja will be out of the office so the front office will not be available for your calls or emails. Messages will be returned on Wednesday. Thanks!

COUNSELOR’S CORNER

Welcome to the Counselor Corner!
Week of 1/14/19: Theme – Integrity: The quality of being honest and fair.

Activities – Celebrating Integrity comes at the right time as we’re remembering Martin Luther King Jr. (no school Monday). One way our students have been engaging in Integrity is by revisiting Cafeteria Expectations. The intermediate students created their own true/false questions and had fun taking their class quizzes! The primary students enjoyed reteaching their silly teachers and school counselors that were pretending what not to do in the Cafeteria! Our students are actively engaging in what it truly means to “do the right thing when no one is watching.”

In the classrooms, Integrity is joining with our two earlier Bridlemile values--Community and Diversity--to engage students in the Social-Emotional Learning and Social Justice practice of Community Circles. This practice intentionally creates a space that lifts barriers between people and opens the possibility for connection, collaboration and mutual understanding. Ask your child(ren) how they are experiencing Community Circles in their classrooms!

Books we are reading:
- One (Otoshi)
- The Invisible Boy (Ludwig)
- Terrible Things (Eve Bunting)

Videos we are watching:
- “The Golden Coin”
- “Build Character Build Success: Integrity”

Resources to explore:
- Mindful Moments Cards from the creators of Yoga Calm
- How Neuroscience Can Make You a Better Parent

Up-Coming Community Events:
- Children’s Health Fair: Saturday, Feb. 9th (10a-2p) at Reynolds Middle School → FREE!
- NAMI Basics: For Parents and Caregivers of a Child or Adolescent Living with Mental Illness: Thursday evenings (6-8:30p) at Emanuel Hospital in North Portland → FREE!

Have a wonderful (long) weekend!

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The Bridlemile PTA and the 5th Grade Leadership students have partnered to support the UpCycling program, Terracycle. Students can recycle any nutritional or energy bar made by ClifBar in the cafeteria at lunch or in their classrooms. Attached is a link to the Terracycle website and a list of wrappers we are collecting at this time. Thank You for UpCycling!

**FROM THE LIBRARY**

**OBOB News**

**Volunteers Needed for Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB)**

Volunteers are needed to help conduct book battles on **February 15, 22, and 27 from about 11:40-1:40**. Running book battles is FUN, but there are rules to follow and they must be conducted efficiently and fairly. To help volunteers learn how to conduct battles and make it more enjoyable for everyone, we are requiring volunteers to practice with students at least once during a lunch recess or during a library class visit. This is also a great opportunity for second grade parents to learn how OBOB works before their kids participate. As of now, we have two lunch time practice sessions set up - January 24 and 29 at 11:20. Please contact Kelly Gillespie at kelanngillespie@gmail.com if you are available on the dates in February and would like to set up a time to be trained. Thank you!

Another opportunity for students to practice book battles will be at the Hillsdale Public Library Jan. 29th and Feb. 10th after school. This is a highly recommended opportunity if teams wish to see how they do against students in other schools. Please see the attached flyer.

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**Judges Still Needed for the Fifth Grade Science Fair!**

The fifth graders have been busy doing their science projects for the past few months. Some of them will be competing to attend the Intel Northwest Science Expo later this year. We need judges, preferably with some science or engineering background in any field (but ok if you don’t have this), to assess the projects on the evening of January 24. We are looking for about 15 volunteers.

Judge orientation/training will occur from 6:00-6:30 pm in the staff lounge, then judges will interview students from 6:30-8:45 pm. Deliberations should be done by 9:15 pm.

Dinner will be provided. It is ok to be a judge if you have a student who is competing, you just can't judge your own child.

If you are available, please contact Dr. Larry Sherman directly (shermanl@ohsu.edu).

Thanks!

Judging Details:
Thursday January 24th - 6-9:00pm

- 6-6:30 Orientation/ training – Dinner provided
- 6:30-8:45 Student interviews
- 8:45-9:00 Deliberations

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FROM THE PTA

See's Candies Fundraiser
It's Time for our See's Candies Fundraiser!
Look for information in your child's backpack, collect candy orders from your family and friends, and return your form & payment to school by Wednesday, January 23.
Every sale benefits our PTA and will arrive in time for Valentine's Day gifting.
Thanks for supporting Bridlemile School!

Passport Club
Hello Families! Passport Club is the last week of Jan! (Tuesday, Jan 29- Friday, Feb 1.) We have a few more spots open for volunteers and we'd love to have you join us.
Our volunteer spots that are still open:
Tuesday 1/29 - 1 volunteer needed
Wednesday 1/30 - FULL
Thursday 1/31 - 1 volunteer needed
Friday 2/1 - 3 volunteers needed

And just a friendly reminder, first grade students will come with their class, only one class at a time. Their dates are:
Tuesday - McClincy
Wednesday - Miner
Thursday - Leckie

Sign Up here to volunteer 11:00AM - 12:15PM or contact us directly to sign up or ask questions.

With gratitude,
Riikka and Brynn

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MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE RETURNS TO BRIDLEMILE!
Mark your calendars to audition for Missoula Children's Theatre production of Blackbeard the Pirate! This year, our week-long residency begins February 25.

Auditions:
Monday, February 25, 2:30-4:20 (rehearsal following auditions, 4:30-7:00)
Showtimes:
Friday, March 1, Evening performance
Saturday, March 2, Matinee

AUDITION EXPECTATIONS
Missoula Children’s Theatre production of Blackbeard the Pirate AUDITIONS will be held on Monday, February 25 in the Bridlemile Cafeteria, 2:30-4:20. Any student Kindergarten-5th grade can audition. There is no cost to audition. This is a fun and interactive group audition, and no advance preparation is necessary.

REHEARSAL/PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS
Students need to be prepared to begin rehearsals immediately following the auditions should they be chosen for a role. Students in the play are expected to clear their schedules for the entire week of Feb 25-March 2. Participation in both performances and all rehearsals is mandatory. Rehearsals will be held between 2:30 and 7:00PM, though younger students can expect shorter rehearsals, exact times TBD. There is no charge to audition, but there is a $45 expense fee for those students who do get a role in the play. Full scholarships are available to anyone and will be managed through the school counselor.

Stay tuned, more details will be posted next week, and permission slips will be sent home at the end of January!

FROM THE FOUNDATION
We can’t wait to see you at this year’s auction! We are already getting some questions on the attire. Dress is of course, casual, but if you want some theme ideas, check out this Pinterest page for some “lumberjack chic” looks: https://pin.it/c5xnzfnilagfi

Last Call!!! The Auction Procurement Team would love to network with you, our community, to see if you’re willing to donate auction items to finish off our procurement year strong!

Items we could still use:
· Vacation Homes: Anywhere, any time frame
· Services: Gift certificates to local restaurants, any family friendly events or services (i.e., photography, housecleaning, etc).

If you'd like to volunteer your time to the Auction Committee or have something you'd be willing to donate to the auction, please contact Kristin Cornuelle, Auction Chair, at kcornuelle@orrick.com

Our annual fundraising auction benefit is on March 9th at the World Forestry Center, and tickets are now available! You can purchase tickets at https://bridlemile.schoolauction.net/auction2019/ or learn more at www.bridlemileschool.com. The Tall Trees & Big Dreams fundraising auction benefit is an evening event including both a live auction and silent auction, where you can purchase items & experiences to support our school. Available at this year's event and included in your ticket price:

- 🍺 Hosted beer and wine from local wineries and breweries – unlimited, no drink tickets needed!
- 🍽 Passed appetizers, family-style seated dinner
- 🎵 Live music from Old Barn Preservation Society

You will also have the opportunity to register early now to enjoy the following:

- 🎁 VIP Whiskey Lounge featuring exclusive access to high-end whiskey and bourbon pours – limited number available!
- 🎁 Raffle ticket for the "Golden Axe" which gives you the chance to win $2000 towards any live auction item – only 100 will be sold!
To: All of our Bridlemile Parents

The Bridlemile Foundation is looking for parents interested in joining the Foundation Board

The Bridlemile Foundation raises funds from families and community partners to provide resources to the school to increase staffing in order to enrich learning and preserve a comprehensive educational experience.

Positions Open:

1. **Board Director and Auction Committee Chair 2020**
   The Auction chair plans the annual auction and oversees various volunteers and sub-committees. The auction is the Foundation’s biggest fund-raiser every year. The Auction chair is for 2020, and official board term is 4/1/19- 4/2/21.

2. **Board Director and Marketing Committee Chair 2019**
   The Marketing Chair runs the marketing committee, works to create and implement cohesive communication to the community. Official board term is 4/1/19- 4/2/21.

3. **Board Director- At Large- 2 Positions Open**
   The at-large board directors are one of 13 board members. The directors are fundraising focused members that help implement all foundation initiatives. Official board term is 4/1/19- 4/2/21.

If you are interested please contact Marc Albers, the Foundation Board President, at marcalbers@comcast.net or our Principal Brad Pearson at bpearson@pps.net

The Bridlemile Foundation is committed to equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in all its board roles and foundation activities.

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL CLUSTER (Gray/Wilson & West Sylvan/Lincoln)
5th Grade Open Houses:

**5TH Grade Coffee Talk @ West Sylvan**
January 22nd at 9:30 am
Meet the West Sylvan Admin team and learn about the forecasting process.
(This is a non-school day - all children are welcome)
https://www.pps.net/westsylvan

**School Information Night RGMS**
Mar. 6, 2019
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
https://www.pps.net/Domain/120

**RGMS School Tours**
Wednesdays, February 13 & May 1, 3:00 PM

**Lincoln Youth Baseball Registration Open**
www.lincolnyouthbaseball.com
*see attached flyer

**SW Portland Little League Spring Registration**
SW Portland Little League spring registration is now open! We offer programs for kids ages 5 to 14 in baseball and softball. (Tee ball is offered for 5 and 6 year old kids) Our program is both instructional and fun. Play ball!
http://swpll.org/sites/swpll/program/19070/Spring-BaseballSoftball-Spring-2019

**WINTER 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 *(Begins 1/23)*
  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