2/1/2019

**IMPORTANT DATES:**
Feb 6<sup>th</sup>    Kindergarten Connect, 8:15am, Cafeteria
Feb 12<sup>th</sup>  PTA General Meeting- Open to Everyone, 6:30pm, Library
Feb 18<sup>th</sup>  NO SCHOOL- President’s Day
Feb 25<sup>th</sup>  Missoula Children’s Theater Week Begins

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PPS Successful Schools Survey: Family Feedback

Dear Parents/Guardians,
Thank you so much for participating in our annual Successful Schools Family Survey. Your responses will help your school understand your experience and use them to set goals and plan for next year. The survey will cover topics on school safety, school climate, barriers to family engagement, and how well your school fits your student’s needs. Please be honest and thoughtful, and take your time to read and respond to the questions.
Please visit the link below on a computer, tablet, or smartphone and select the school your child attends. If you do not have access to a computer or internet, please contact your school office so we can provide a way for you to take the survey. Thank you so much for your time and feedback!

**Please refer to the attached document for access to the survey in other languages.

http://surveys.panoramaed.com/portlandor/ppsfamily
FROM THE OFFICE

- **LOST & FOUND** has grown again!! Please stop by to check for, and claim any of your missing items. Thanks!

COUNSELOR’S CORNER

Welcome to the Counselor Corner!
Week of 1/28/19: Theme – **Integrity: The quality of being honest and fair.**

Activities – As we wrap up the first month of 2019, we are already preparing to welcome in our next class of Kinders! Next Wednesday, February 6th, is the Connect to Kinder event for preKs and their parents. We are also excited to welcome Heather Hughes from the Portland Police Bureau to talk about **Internet Safety** next Thursday, February 7th! Childcare is provided. You can find more information about Safe Screens in the “Resources” section of this newsletter.

Books we are reading:
- *One* (Otsoki)
- *Terrible Things* (Bunting)
- *Weird! Tought! Dare!*: Stories About Dealing with Bullying in Schools (Frankel & Heaphy)

Videos we are watching:
- *Auto B Good: The Integrity Project*
- *Sesame Street: Personal Space Invaders*
- *The Empty Pot*

Resources to explore:
- “Screen Time for Kids: How to prioritize and create guidelines”
- “Forget Screen Time Rules -- Lean In to Parenting Your Wired Child”
- “Not Just Snapchat -- 6 More Dangerous Apps Parents Need to Know About”
- *Mind Yeti*: Mindfulness app from Committee for Children
- *One of the Hardest Days of My Life*: A book to help children work through grief and sadness

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!
- *Developing Our Children's Skills 2019 Parenting Class Series* - 6 week class for families experiencing challenging behaviors with children who have special healthcare needs, including Autism Spectrum Disorders. Classes begin Feb. 12th (Eastside) or Feb. 13th (Westside)
- *Making Mindfulness Stick with Kids and Teens*: A Workshop for Parents and Professionals: Saturday, Feb. 23rd (9a-12p)

Have a wonderful weekend!

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MESSAGE FROM TAG
Dear Bridlemile Community,

On behalf of the PPS TAG Department, I am pleased to announce the opportunity for your fourth or fifth grade student to participate in this year's Oregon Writing Festival! Participation in the Oregon Writing Festival is open to all fourth and fifth grade students, and the event will take place at Portland State University on May 4th, 2019. The festival consists of a full day of literacy experiences for your child, beginning at 8:00 am and concluding at 3:00 pm. This year’s featured author for fourth and fifth grade students is Rosanne Parry, author of Heart of a Shepherd, Second Fiddle, Written in Stone and The Turn of the Tide.

In order to participate, your child will need the following:

- $40.00 admission fee
- a sack lunch
- one favorite writing piece of her or his personal best, along with twelve photocopies (with advance notice, I can make the photocopies at school for your child)

Please reach out to me at tfinch@pps.net by no later than Friday, February 8th, 2019. Once I receive indication of your child's interest, I will then forward along the permission slip via email. Please do consider this extended and challenging learning experience for your young author.

Please note that scholarships for this event are available in order to ensure that each and every interested fourth and fifth grade student will be able to participate. If your child is in need of a scholarship which will cover the admission fee, please reach out to our school counselor, Rachel Reich, at rreich@pps.net.

Best regards,
Tom Finch
Third Grade Teacher and Building TAG Facilitator

MESSAGE FROM MS. BARLOW
Dear Parents,

The third, fourth, and fifth graders will be performing with the Oregon Symphony on Feb. 28th! We are all taking a trip to the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall in downtown Portland to play our recorders with about 1200 other children from the Portland area. The concert is called “Link Up” in partnership with Carnegie Hall. We will be practicing the music in music class and the students will be given a booklet with all of the information and music. The concert is called “The Orchestra Swings” and is about jazz music and improvisation.

There is a $6.00 charge for this concert for each student. This covers the admission charge and also the busses. Students receiving free/reduced lunch can attend at no charge. You may write a check to Bridlemile for $6.00 and your child can either drop it off in the office or give it to your child’s teacher. There will also be a link to pay through “school pay”. We will be needing two chaperones per class – there is no charge for adults. You may only attend the concert as a chaperone – each seat is already reserved. Please email your child’s teacher if you are interested in being a chaperone.
We will be leaving at 11:15 for a 12:00 concert. The concert will last until 12:45 and we will return to Bridlemile by 1:30.

If you have any questions about the Link Up concert please feel free to email me:

https://www.carnegiehall.org/Education/Educators/Link-Up

Link Up | Carnegie Hall

Additional funding for Link Up is provided by the Rose M. Badgeley Residuary Charitable Trust, The Barker Welfare Foundation, The Ambrose Monell Foundation, JJR Foundation, and Joan and Sanford I. Weill and the Weill Family Foundation.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sm_AffNKnxA

Link Up: A Program for Students in Grades 3-5

www.youtube.com

Link Up, Carnegie Hall's program for students in grades 3-5, introduces students to the orchestra by helping them become a part of it. Children all over the country have an opportunity to come together with their local orchestra to perform and hear great music. http://carnegiehall.org/LinkUp “Beethoven Symphony No. 3 ‘Eroica’” performed ...

Please return the permission slip as soon as possible with the $6.00 cost.

Here is a link to pay through “school pay”:


"The Orchestra Swings" Link Up Concert Field Trip

www.schoolpay.com

Third, fourth and fifth grade students will attend "The Orchestra Rocks" Link up concert at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall where they will perform recorder with the Oregon Symphony. The field trip is scheduled for February 28, 2019, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. Cost is $6 per student.

Thank you! Becca Barlow - Bridlemile Music teacher
The K-2nd graders had a captivating visit from author/illustrator Jessie Sima this past Monday. We have 7 SIGNED copies of her newest book, Love Z, still remaining (cost $17.99). If interested please email Ann Hoffman at annshih@gmail.com.

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 another lunch time practice session set up - Feb 5 at 11:00. Please contact Kelly Gillespie at kelangillespie@gmail.com if you are available on the dates in February and would like to set up a time to be trained. Thank you!

Click this link to see our Sign-Ups on SignUp.com: [http://signup.com/go/SYoUcBb](http://signup.com/go/SYoUcBb)

**FROM THE PTA**

I ❤ BRIDLEMILE TEES

![Image of Bridlemile tees](image)

Show off your Bridlemile love and Beagle pride with these sweet baseball-style tees--just in time for Valentine's Day! Available in youth, women's and men's sizes so the whole family can rock these cute and comfy shirts.

Tees are $18 each, and proceeds support the Bridlemile PTA. Order online at [https://my.cheddarup.com/c/bridlemile-apparel/item/1356523](https://my.cheddarup.com/c/bridlemile-apparel/item/1356523) or grab a paper order form in the office. Order by February 8th for delivery by Valentine's Day

*(Youth sizes run a little large and adult sizes run a little small. Size up or down accordingly)*

**Garden Committee**

*It's Planting Time!!*

The Bridlemile Garden Committee is hosting 2 work parties in February to prep and plant a variety of native plants we purchased with grant money as well as to further prep garden beds for edibles.

*Saturday, February 9*th 9am-1pm
*Sunday, February 17*th 9am-1pm
Please join us in digging in the dirt and communing with neighbors to get our school garden ready for spring! Please email Deedra Weill, deedra0330@gmail.com with questions or to RSVP.

**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** through the school counselor.

A detailed info sheet and permission slip are attached. Permission slips will go home in back packs next week.

**FROM THE FOUNDATION**
**Auction News**
Hello Bridlemile Families –

I hope you are all getting your lumberjack chic attire ready for our Fundraising Auction Benefit supporting Bridlemile! Make sure to buy your tickets soon and reserve your spot at the VIP Whiskey Lounge by clicking here: [https://bridlemile.schoolauction.net/auction2019](https://bridlemile.schoolauction.net/auction2019)

Here is your weekly informational update from yours truly:
- This year we will have **online mobile bidding** for the first time for all of the sign-ups, easel parties and silent auction items. Mobile bidding allows you to register before you arrive at the event, so no waiting in line! Not to mention, our mobile bidding option will open **before** the auction starts, so you can review and bid on items prior to even showing up. Plus, you can be alerted if you have been outbid, making it convenient for you to bid from wherever you are and ensure you get to take home the items you want. No more standing by clipboards or losing out on items! Be sure to by your tickets soon and follow the instructions so you are all ready to bid mobile - and high!
We have some AMAZING auction items this year, and I’ll be sharing some of them with you each week. For now, take a look at some of our silent auction items – from the posh to the practical:

- **All Around Portland** – featuring OMSI passes, Oaks Park roller skating, NWCT tickets and more...
- **Hillsboro Hops** – 4 tickets to the season opener including your chance to throw out the first pitch!
- **Hangin’ in Hillsdale** – brimming with gift certificates to your favorite eats, such as Baker & Spice, Laughing Planet and Dairy Hill
- **Blazers Bonanza** – 4 tickets to Blazers v. Nuggets – plus $100 to Por que No for tacos before the game!
- **Angela Estate** – 4 exclusive wine tastings & tours plus half a case of Abbot Claim Pinot Noir
- **Earthquake Preparedness** – Installation and labor of a seismic gas shut-off valve, plus $$ towards seismic upgrades to your home
- Not to mention even more experiences and items including **Arlington Club, Gearhart and Seaside accommodations, “All Him” and “All Her” baskets and Choose your own date night adventure!**

Can’t wait to see you among the Tall Trees on March 9th!

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

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

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

**Lincoln Youth Baseball Registration Open**
[www.lincolnyouthbaseball.com](http://www.lincolnyouthbaseball.com)
*see attached flyer*

**Registration Open: Lincoln Girls Lacrosse**
Registration for Lincoln Girls Lacrosse is now open for kids in Grades 2-8! No experience is necessary - all experience levels are welcome. **The last day to register is February 18.** For more information or to register, visit our website: [www.LincolnLaxGirls.com](http://www.LincolnLaxGirls.com).

If you are new to lacrosse or unsure what it is all about, there is a Try Lacrosse clinic for kids ages 6-12 years old at Wilsonville High School next Saturday, February 9, from 12:30-2pm. The registration fee for the clinic is $35 and includes a lacrosse stick, a t-shirt and a ball (over $100 value!). For more information about this and other upcoming clinics, or to register, visit the Oregon Girls Lacrosse Association website: [www.oregongirlslax.com](http://www.oregongirlslax.com).
If you have any questions, please contact Ursula Lalovic at ulalovic@gmail.com.

**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!  

**WINTER AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

**Monday**
- Soccer by Soccer Shots- Outside field  
  [https://www.soccershots.org/pdx/](https://www.soccershots.org/pdx/)
- Yoga Playgrounds, Faculty Lounge outside Portable  

**Tuesday**
- Chess Wizards, Faculty Lounge outside Portable  
  [https://chesswizards.com/](https://chesswizards.com/)

**Wednesday**
- Spanish by Kids Like Languages, Faculty Lounge outside Portable  
  [Kids Like Languages](https://www.kidslikelanguages.com/)

**Thursday**
- My Masterpiece Art, Faculty Lounge outside Portable  

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**School Website**  
503-916-6292  
[Archived Friday Flyer Newsletters](http://www.sswl.org/sites/swll/program/19070/Spring-BaseballSoftball-Spring-2019)  
**PTA/Foundation website**