

4/5/2019

IMPORTANT DATES:

Apr 8th NO SCHOOL – Teacher Planning Day
Apr 9th PTA Board Meeting, 8:05am, Portable

Apr 11th K, 1, 2 Music Program (K: at 6:00pm, 1 &2: at 6:45pm)

Apr 18th Run For The Arts

Apr 23rd-26th Passport Club, Grades 1-5, Library, Lunch Recess

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Bridlemile Community,

Assigning students to classes is an important task the staff at Bridlemile takes very seriously. A great deal of time, staff input, and many considerations go into the decision. Some of the considerations consist of looking at student strengths and weaknesses including academic and social/emotional needs, ratio of boys to girls, balancing specific needs of students and dynamics of individuals within the group.

This process is complicated and works best when the staff is able to make decisions based on individual student needs. We have a dedicated staff, trained and prepared to meet the needs of all students. Following state standards, all classes are expected to deliver the same curriculum in each grade level. Therefore, in whichever class your child is placed, you can expect them to be challenged at their level.

We also value and appreciate parent input and have attached an optional student placement questionnaire for you to fill out regarding your child that provides input for us to consider when we are making balanced classes for next year. In order to achieve balanced classes we are unable to take specific requests for teachers. If you choose to fill out the questionnaire please do not comment on or make requests for specific teachers. Additionally, please do not approach your child's current teacher to make classroom placement requests. All placement questionnaires should be submitted to the main office by Monday April 22nd.

We appreciate your input and look forward to providing a stellar educational experience in the upcoming school year!

Sincerely, Brad Pearson Principal

FROM THE OFFICE

- It's time to sign up for Kindergarten! If you know of any new families planning to attend Bridlemile next fall, please spread the word! Registrations are due by June 1st but we encourage everyone to register as early as possible- it greatly helps with forecasting and staffing! Thanks!
- Please note, <u>the May Kindergarten Connect Event date has changed</u>. It has been changed to <u>THURSDAY</u> <u>MAY 9th</u>. Same start time and location, 8:15am in the Cafeteria. If you know of any incoming K families planning on attending, please help spread the word. Thanks!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER



Welcome to the Counselor Corner!

Week of 4/1/19: Theme - Career Development

Activities – We have started career development activities in K-5 classrooms this week. Our goal is to explore a wide variety of

careers and encourage students to begin thinking about potential for the future. We're challenging gender stereotypes, modeling

career path as an ongoing journey, and considering that future career options for our students may not even be invented yet! We

encourage you to talk about these topics at home and share your own experiences growing up and as an adult, not limited to any

one career end!

Books we are reading:

- I Want to Be an Astronaut (Brown & Coburn, Kane Miller Publishing)
- I Want to Be a Lion Tamer (Brown & Coburn, Kane Miller Publishing)
- Super-Completely and Totally the Messiest (Viorst)
- Ish (Reynolds)
- When I Grow Up (Yankovic)

Professional Development we are doing:

Check out our website! It is under construction. :)

Resources to Explore:

"25 Parenting Books about Raising Mighty Girls"

- "10 Books for Parents who want to Help their Anxious Kids"
- "Intellectual humility: The importance of knowing you might be wrong"
- "My Son's Story of Electronics Addiction and Recovery"

Up-Coming Community Events:

- <u>Camp Erin</u> A free, weekend-long overnight Summer camp for children and teens who are grieving the death of someone close to them
- The International Dyslexia Association Conference is coming to Portland! Nov. 7-10th, 2019
- Dyslexia Brain Talk! Saturday, April 6th at Edison High School from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Have a wonderful weekend!

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FROM MS. BARLOW

Dear Kindergarten, Grade 1, and Grade 2 Bridlemile Parents,

You are invited to our music program on Thursday, April 11th. The Kindergarteners will need to be in their classroom at 5:45 to prepare to sing at 6:00. The program will last approximately 20 minutes. The attire is casual. Parents will collect the children from the risers after the program.

The First and Second graders will need to walk quietly down the hall to be in their classrooms at 6:30. The program will begin at 6:45 and last approximately 35 minutes. The children will be supervised by their teachers from 6:30 – please keep them with you until then. Dress is casual. After the program First graders will be collected from the risers by their parents and Second graders will meet their parents outside of their classrooms.

You will hear songs about playing with our friends and having fun. We are adding instruments and working on keeping the beat! We hope you enjoy the performance!

Becca Barlow - Music Teacher

FROM THE PTA



Freaky Friday is our annual carnival and it's on May 3rd this year from 5-8pm! It is an evening full of bouncy houses, carnival games, food to purchase and a few sweet treats. Kids can win Beagle Bucks and cash them in at the end of the night for prizes. Order your wristbands, T-shirts and tickets early for a discount. It is open to anyone so bring your friends!

Please return your order and payment to the office by April 12th or order on-line.

Click the link for more info about Freaky Friday, our poster contest and a link for ordering.

https://www.bridlemileschool.com/freakyfriday

Please sign up to volunteer for Freaky Friday! https://signup.com/go/jXNoqcd

FROM THE FOUNDATION



Thank you so much Bridlemile Families, teachers, community members, and businesses who all helped make this year's fundraiser auction benefit for Bridlemile a success! We netted over \$132,000 dollars because of your participation and contributions! The money raised goes directly to pay for staff at our school and other schools in PPS, which this year has a reduced budget of approximately \$17 million for the district. As such, your donations are critically important in today's educational funding climate, and we thank you heartily on behalf of our students.

We are already planning for next year's event, so if you are interested in helping out and being a part of the Auction Committee, please email Kristin at kcornuelle@orrick.com!

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

Robert Gray Middle School Tour

May 1, 3:00 PM

Lincoln Youth Baseball

Lincoln Youth Baseball is looking for more Kids to play AA Baseball!

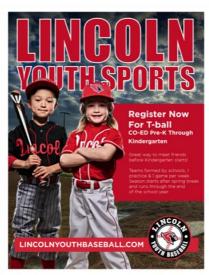
This is for 2nd graders OR 3rd graders who haven't played before.

In AA ball there is a mixture of pitching machines, coach pitch, and player pitch. As always, the emphasis is on fundamental skills, including pitching, and the players begin to develop the ability to hit competitive pitching from an opposing player. Typically the season begins with machine pitch with a transition to player pitch as the season progresses. The season starts in April and goes through mid-June. AA Teams usually start with 2 practices per week and then as games get into full swing, practices may be just once per week. Games are typically played 2x per week.

Register now! <u>www.LincolnYouthBaseball.com</u>

Questions? email: LincolnYouthBaseballSoftball@gmail.com

Thank you, Communications Lincoln Youth Baseball & Softball



SPRING AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday

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

Tuesday

 Math Gamers, Faculty Lounge outside Portable (Starts 4/16) www.mathgamers.net

Wednesday

Spanish by Kids Like Languages, Faculty Lounge outside Portable (Starts 4/17)
 <u>Kids Like Languages</u>

 Direct enrollment link: https://kids-like-languages.myshopify.com/products/spanish-after-school-program-at-bridlemile

Thursday

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

Attachments:

Bridlemile Music Letter of Congratulations Kids Like Languages-Spring Spanish Flyer Math Gamers Spring Flyer

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