

Bridlemile Friday Flyer

4/26/2019

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 2 nd	Band & Strings Concert, 6:30pm
May 3 rd	Freaky Friday Carnival, 5:00pm-8:00pm
May 8 th	NO SCHOOL
May 9 th	2 nd Kindergarten Connect Tour, 8:15am, Cafeteria
May 14 th	PTA General Meeting, 6:30pm
May 14 th – 17 th	Passport Club, Grades 1-5, Library, Lunch Recess
May 20 th – 24 th	Used Book Collection-Outside of the Classrooms
May 28 th - 31 st	USED BOOK SALE, GYM

Inside This Issue- New News at a Glance

- **Run For the Arts Pledge Forms & Money Due FRIDAY MAY 3rd!**
- Counselor's Weekly Newsletter
- String and Band Concert Update
- PTA- Volunteers Positions Open for Next Year
- Walk & Roll to School – Tracking Scorecard Attached

MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT

Dear PPS Families and Staff,

Last month, we shared with you in a message that the Oregon Education Association designated May 8 as a statewide "Day of Action." From our communications with Portland Association of Teachers and our principals, we now have an estimate of how many teachers intend to be absent on that date in order to advocate for full funding of K-12 public schools. We have a clear indication that the number of teacher absences will exceed our ability to safely open and operate our schools. Because student safety is our highest priority, **all PPS schools will be closed on May 8, 2019.**

A few exceptions will apply:

- Outdoor School will remain open and uninterrupted the entire week of May 6-10.
- Night classes will continue as regularly scheduled on May 8.
- Previously scheduled A.P. and I.B. testing will continue as planned on May 8.

To make up the instructional hours lost on May 8, **the last day of school for PPS students will now be June 12.** We will need to utilize the third and final designated makeup day identified on the 2018-19 district calendar. For grade 12 students, the last instructional day for seniors will move from May 30 to May 31. In addition, we plan to ask the PPS Board of Education to approve an exception this year for seniors. This exception will

enable PPS to meet the total mandated instructional hours required by the State of Oregon for grade 12 students.

We are currently confirming that athletic competitions, arts performances and other events scheduled in the late afternoon or evening of May 8 will continue as planned. Should we need to cancel events, we will follow up with affected school communities and participants. Additionally, we will share the Board's decision on the exception for seniors.

Finally, a note for families who currently use child care services in PPS buildings: Please contact your child care provider to determine whether they will be offering services on May 8.

We thank you for your flexibility as we work to minimize any impact on students due to the cancelation of classes on May 8.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Curtis, D.Ed.

Deputy Superintendent, Instruction & School Communities

FROM THE OFFICE

- Run for the Arts pledge forms and money are due to the office **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY MAY 3rd**.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER



Welcome to the Counselor Corner!

Week of 4/22/19: **Theme – Career Development**

Activities – This week, our career development activities are challenging stereotypical gender roles and expectations. We are supporting and encouraging all Bridlemile students to be open-minded to their career journey; it starts today!

Books we are reading:

- [Amelia Who Could Fly](#) (Corso & Volpari, Kane Miller Publishing)
- [Ada Twist, Scientist](#) (Beaty)

Videos we are watching:

- [Occupations Song](#)

Professional Development we are doing:

- Check out our [website](#)! It is under construction. :)
- Listening (on the Libby app! Check it out!) to [Masterminds & Wingmen](#) (Wiseman)

- Watching the [social animals](#) documentary -- FREE streaming on Netflix!

Resources to Explore:

- [“Picture Books that Teach Kids How to Stop and Think, Handle Emotions, and Be Mindful”](#)
- [“Don’t worry about your child’s everyday stress. It may be helping.”](#)
- [“What does childhood anxiety look like? Probably not what you think.”](#)
- [Oregon Career Awareness I](#)
- [Oregon Career Awareness II](#)

Up-Coming Community Events:

- [Camp Erin](#) - 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
- [Camp Yakety Yak](#) -- Special Needs Summer Day Camp in Lake Oswego, OR

Important Info for 5th Graders:

- [West Sylvan Middle School 6th Grade forecasting information](#)
- [5th Grade Transition to Robert Gray Middle School Information](#)

Have a wonderful weekend!

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TOOLS FOR GETTING KIDS TO COOPERATE!

1

BE PLAYFUL

Use games, make funny voices, make inanimate objects talk, and whatever else you can think of that would make an activity more fun!

2

OFFER A CHOICE

Give two mutually acceptable options to reach the same goal. "Would you like to hop like a bunny, or race to the car?"

3

PUT THE CHILD IN CHARGE

Whenever possible, let the child choose or tell you when it's time for a transition! Give them the tools like timers, pictures, and thermostats or apps.

4

GIVE INFORMATION

Facts instead of lectures. "Glue sticks dry out when the cap is left off." "The law says you must be in a carseat before we can move."

5

SAY IT WITH A WORD (OR GESTURE)

Instead of "You need to push in the chair." Simply say, "Chair!". Give the child the time to figure it out.

6

DESCRIBE WHAT YOU SEE

When one word is too vague. "I see a chair in the middle of the floor." "I see dirty clothes on the bathroom floor."

7

DESCRIBE HOW YOU FEEL

Make it about your feelings or fears. Instead of "You're going to fall if you don't get down!", say "I get scared when I see little boys climbing on the bookcase."

8

WRITE A NOTE

The power of the written word is strong even in kids who can't read. Constantly have to remind your child to hang up their coat? Then write them a note and put it in an obvious place

MESSAGE FROM MS. BARLOW



String and Band Concert May 2, 2019

You are invited to the Bridlemile String and Band Concert on Thursday, May 2nd at 6:30 p.m. The Band needs to wear their Band t-shirt (if they are done – if not just a comfy shirt) and some jeans. The string students should wear a white (or light colored shirt) and Black (or dark) skirt or pants. The dress rehearsal for the concert is that day at 1:00 p.m. The band students will need to remember their instruments on a Thursday! The concert should last about 40 minutes. See you there!!

FROM THE PTA



Calling volunteers!! Our PTA is a very active and vital part of Bridlemile elementary. We have many volunteer positions open for next year. Please take a look at the email sent earlier this week for all available positions available. A “sign up” email will be sent on Tuesday morning to allow people to sign up for the positions they wish to chair. This is a first to sign up first one to chair! If you have any questions about what the volunteer position chairs/Board Member chairs entail before the sign up is sent, please email Jen Moylan moylanjk@gmail.com.

Again, there are many positions and many opportunities to get involved in Bridlemile PTA!

USED BOOK SALE

The annual Used Book Sale is coming soon! We will be collecting used books outside teacher’s classrooms from May 20th-May 24th. The class that brings the most books in will get early access to the book sale as well as each student will be able to choose a free book! We will be collecting ADULT and CHILDREN’s books as well as games, DVDs/Blue-rays, and the CDs. Start looking through your collections and preparing for this fun and popular fundraiser! The book sale will take place during the week of May 27th-31st in the Bridlemile gym. Questions? Contact Kelly Gillespie kelanngillespie@gmail.com.

WALK & ROLL TO SCHOOL

May is Walk & Roll to school month! May is a time for students, schools and classrooms to team up and challenge themselves to walk, bike, scoot or skate to school. Families living far away can challenge themselves to see how many times they can carpool with neighbors or try a Park & Walk.

One year ago, the Fairben girls joined the Weill’s and Bass’ for a walking school bus. There is no way they could ever walk from their home- not only would it be too far, it would be too dangerous! So they parked their car and walked in with friends. They continued to do so through the month of May. Walking with friends was such a great way to motivate the girls to get out the door on time each morning as well as being a terrific way to move their bodies, wake up and get a little exercise, preparing them for better focus and learning by the time they reached school! They enjoyed it so much, they have been parking and walking together ever since!

The Bass’, Weills, & Fairbens would love to have you join us for one or all of the days in May! You can **walk to our house** just south of Hamilton and west of Shattuck, **drive and park** near our home, *or* we will walk along and **pick you up along the route!** Or we encourage you to start your own group!

If you’d like to join us, or start a walking school bus for your neighborhood and need help getting started, contact Olivia Bass at livijeanne@gmail.com

Use the attached sheet to track your daily method of getting to school and turn it in to the office **at the end of May** for prizes!



FREAKY FRIDAY



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. It is open to anyone so bring your friends!

Please sign up to volunteer for Freaky Friday!

<https://signup.com/go/jXNoqcd>

For questions you can contact Mariah Fairben or Amber Barratt @ freakyfriday@bridlemileschool.org

Our Bridlemile Garden – enjoyment for families of all kinds!



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

Robert Gray Middle School Tour

May 1, 3:00 PM

Wilson HS

Girls Soccer Camp

August 5th - 8th

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Ages: 7-13

**Please see attached flyer for details

Lincoln High School

Summer Youth Basketball Camp

June 24th -27th

9 AM-Noon

Ages: 5th Grade-Incoming Freshman

**Please see attached flyer for details

Lincoln HS Youth Baseball

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

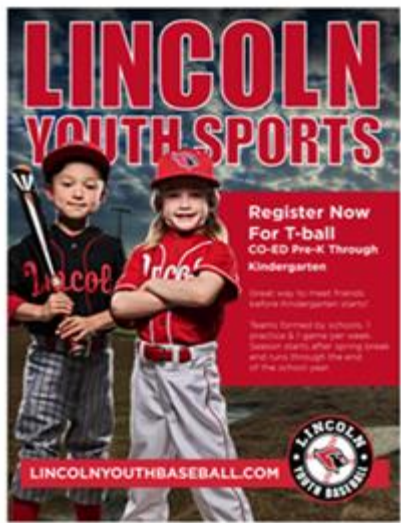
This is for 2nd graders OR 3rd graders who haven't played before.

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! www.LincolnYouthBaseball.com

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
www.mathgamers.net

Wednesday

- Spanish by Kids Like Languages, Faculty Lounge outside Portable
[Kids Like Languages](http://www.kids-like-languages.com)

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:

Walk and Roll Challenge Month Poster

Walk and Roll Student Tracking Sheet

Lincoln High Summer Basketball Camp

Wilson High Summer Girls Soccer Camp

[School Website](#)

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[PTA/Foundation website](#)

