

Bridlemile Friday Flyer



2/26/2021

IMPORTANT DATES:

Mar 4th	Family STEAM Night
Mar 11th	Bridlemile Auction & Game Night!!
Mar 14th	Daylight Savings Time-Clocks Forward!
Mar 18th	Fun for the Arts- Virtual Dance-a-thon Fundraiser

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DISTRICT NEWS

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At home strategies for families for Distance Learning [resources for P-12 strategies](#)

K-5 TRANSFER CYCLE & EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS EVENT

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Dear PPS Families,

For those who were not able to attend the [Explore Your K-5 Options event on February 18](#), we are offering the event again on Monday, March 8, from 6-8 p.m.

This virtual event will provide information to families with K-5 students interested in thematic focus options, alternative and charter schools, and dual language immersion programs – and will include a general session to learn about connecting to your neighborhood school and applying for transfer, followed by two chances for deeper explorations in school breakout rooms.

The general session and dual language program break out rooms will be available in multiple languages, and interpretation will be available in Spanish, Vietnamese, Somali, Russian, Cantonese and Mandarin.

Learn more about K-5 options, including additional instructions for the March 8 event, at pps.net/k-5options. The virtual meeting link will be posted by March 1.

Please also note that the deadline for applying to most elementary school options is March 16. You can apply at pps.net/schoolchoice.

NUTRITION SERVICES

CONFIDENTIAL FAMILY APPLICATION FOR FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS FOR 2021-22

Eligible families can submit a new meal application to see if their student(s) qualify for free and reduced-price meals for the 2021-22 school year on or after July 1, 2021. Please do not have new/incoming kindergarten families for the 2021-22 school year apply for meal benefits to determine eligibility; our team is not allowed to process these applications. Families do not need to submit a meal application if their student attends an approved 2021-22 [Community Eligibility Provision school](#) or receives a 2021-22 PPS Direct Certification Approval letter that will be sent out to those who qualify in August 2021.

For meal benefits related questions, please email mealbenefits@pps.net or call 503.916.3402.

FROM THE OFFICE



FUN for the Arts Dance-A-Thon!

Our Run for the Arts event looks a little different this year... Join us **March 18, 2021 at 1:30** for our FUN for the Arts Dance-A-Thon from the comfort and safety of your home! Our 30 minute

online Dance-A-Thon is a great opportunity for our community to support essential arts learning for all Bridlemile students, and have fun together! [REGISTER HERE TODAY!](#) and start collecting donations and pledges for our school!

We are thrilled to welcome [Decimus Yarbrough](#), one of our local Young Audiences' teaching artists, to lead our community in this year's event. Whether you've been dancing your whole life or you've never danced before, each of us has an opportunity to have fun and help raise money for essential arts learning at our school!

- Instead of "laps" this year, participants will collect pledges for each **minute they are active**.
- You may record any "offline" donations (cash or checks) on your participant dashboard on RunForTheArts.ya-or.org.

Join us for STEAM Night on Thursday March 4th!

Bridlemile will be celebrating STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) on Thursday, March 4th. Look for an email next week with details about live sessions from 5 to 7 p.m., on Thursday and a link to Bridlemile's STEAM website featuring science fair projects from the 5th grade class, penguin habitat dioramas from first grade students and more that you can check out any time!

Message from the 5th Grade Transition Parent Committee

Hello 5th graders and 5th grade parents. What a year! Make sure you order your 5th grade yearbook TODAY. The yearbook team is busy capturing memories and customizing a personalized yearbook just for you to commemorate your last year at Bridlemile Elementary! If you have any pictures you'd like included in the yearbook, please send them to Winnie Callough winnie.callough@gmail.com

Lifetouch

Bridlemile Elementary School

Grades Eligible to Purchase: 5th

Yearbook ID: 3964621

Click here to order: [Lifetouch- 5th Grade Yearbook Order](#)

No Community Meeting scheduled for March

Due to the Foundation Auction Night event and Spring Break week, we will not be having our March Community Meeting. The Auction is going to be something you don't want to miss; the planning committee has been working tirelessly to create an event which is sure to be fun for the whole family! We are very excited to be hosting our biggest annual Fundraiser in this unprecedented virtual format! We hope to see you all there!!



Bridlemile's Connect to Kindergarten - for Incoming Kindergarten Families

We invite incoming families to our digital Connect presentation! visit [Bridlemile Kindergarten](#); incoming families can view a digital presentation by Mr. Townsend providing an overview of our school and Kindergarten program. Upcoming Spring/Summer kindergarten connect events will be posted on our website and we encourage early registration- it is the best way to stay connected so you do not miss any events! If you know of any neighborhood families with a child who will be 5 years old by Sept 1st please help spread the word! Registrations are due by June 1st.

Community Safety Notices

- Dear families,
Soon construction will begin to overhaul and improve our Primary Kindergarten Playground. There will be an increase of workers, trucks, and some landscape disruption. We want to remind everyone to please be safe and mindful when walking around the area. Thanks!
- As required by federal law, the District must notify the community of the existence and location of the Asbestos Management Plan (AMP). Please click the link to view this year's Annual Districtwide Asbestos Notification Report: [Annual Asbestos memo](#)

COUNSELORS CORNER

[2/26 Counselor Newsletter](#)

MESSAGE FROM MUSIC -MS. BARLOW



Xīnnián kuàilè (新年快乐)

Today – February 26th is the last day of the Chinese New Year

Here is a link to one of the songs we have been singing in Music Class:

<https://www.quavermusic.com/QR/72VAGG>

Chinese New Year lasts 15 days – today is the lantern festival signifying the end of the Chinese New Year. It's a good day to make a lantern: <https://youtu.be/JfEkUdLSwkl>

PTA/FOUNDATION NEWS

[PTA newsletter](#)



Bridlemile Auction & Game Night!

7 p.m. on Thursday, March 11th

We're looking forward to a fun night of family entertainment, online. More details to follow. Have an item or service you'd like to donate to the auction? Email us at bridlemilefoundation@gmail.com

SCHOOL RACIAL EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM CHECK-IN

As we continue to celebrate Black History Month, here are some resources that may support conversations at home.

Click here: to access the [coloring book](#).

BLACK LIVES MATTER AT BRIDLEMILE



QUEER AFFIRMING

Everybody has the right to choose who they love and the kind of family they want by listening to their own heart and mind.



TRANSGENDER AFFIRMING

Everybody has the right to choose their own gender by listening to their own heart and mind. Everyone gets to choose if they are a girl or a boy or both or neither or something else, and no one else gets to choose for them.



COLLECTIVE VALUE

Everybody is important, and has the right to be safe and happy, no matter what they believe, where they are from, or who they love. Another way to say that is collective value.

The founders of BLM wanted to make sure that all genders are included in the Black Lives Matter Movement and that no one is left out.

WHAT CAN BRIDLEMILE BEAGLES DO?: *We can show Black Lives Matter by talking about gender and showing care for all people of all genders. We can respect and use people's pronouns.*

THE 13 BLACK LIVES MATTER GUIDING PRINCIPLES	
COLLECTIVE VALUE	Valuing all Black lives, regardless of actual or perceived sexual identity, gender identity, gender expression, economic status, ability, disability, religious beliefs or disbeliefs, immigration status or location
DIVERSITY	Acknowledging, respecting and celebrating difference(s) and commonalities
RESTORATIVE JUSTICE	Intentionally building and nurturing a beloved community that is bonded together through a beautiful struggle that creates justice for all in restorative, not depleting, ways
GLOBALISM	Seeing ourselves as part of the global Black family and understanding how we are impacted or privileged by our positioning in the world
BLACK VILLAGES	Disrupting the Western-prescribed nuclear family structure requirement by supporting each other as extended families and "villages" that collectively care for one another
BLACK WOMEN	Building a Black women affirming space free from sexism, misogyny, and male-centeredness
LOVING ENGAGEMENT	Embodying and practicing justice, liberation, and peace in our engagements with one another.
EMPATHY	Practicing empathy by engaging comrades with the intent to learn about and connect with their contexts.
QUEER AFFIRMING	Freeing ourselves from the tight grip of heteronormative thinking to create a queer-affirming network
TRANSGENDER AFFIRMING	Embracing and making space for trans brothers and sisters to participate and lead, while being self-reflexive and doing the work required to dismantle cis-gender privilege and uplift Black trans folk
UNAPOLOGETICALLY BLACK	In affirming that Black Lives Matter, we need not qualify our position. Loving and desiring freedom and justice for ourselves is a necessary prerequisite for wanting the same for others
BLACK FAMILIES	Making our spaces family-friendly and enable parents to fully participate with their children and dismantle patriarchal practices
INTERGENERATIONAL	Fostering an intergenerational, communal network free from ageism

<https://blacklivesmatter.com/about/what-we-believe/>

PPS HATE SPEECH RESPONSE FORM

To ensure a learning environment of safety, security and belonging for every student, PPS does not tolerate hate speech nor acts of discrimination. If you experience or witness hate speech, please fill out this [Hate Speech Response Form](#).

COMMUNITY NEWS

[Portland Parks & Recreation Preschool Registration Flier](#)

Robert Gray

5th Grade Night

March 4th

6:00pm-7:00pm

google link: <https://meet.google.com/kge-nxoh-anb>

Wilson Youth Boys/Girls Lacrosse

The club's focus is learning the game, meeting new friends and having fun! Due to Covid the season is shorter this year: April 12- May 31st. Safety covid protocols, including wearing masks during practice and play, will be implemented.

For more information and to register click here: [Wilson Youth Lacrosse](#)

Youth Girls Lacrosse: [Girls Lacrosse](#)

Southwest Portland Little League (SWPLL)

Our upper level baseball and softball programs are open for registration. Our lower levels are expected to open soon, when we secure fields through PPS. Ours is a volunteer run community sport that is accessible to all children.

<https://swpll.org/program/34886/2021-spring-spring-2021>

Lincoln Youth Baseball



Spring 2021 Registration is Open!



Open to all kids in PreK-8th grade!

Register today!

www.LincolnYouthBaseball.com

\$20 deposit will secure your spot on a roster!



[School Website](#)

503-916-6292

Friday Flyer Archives: [School Website](#)

PTA/Foundation: [Parent Resources / Bridlemile](#)

PTA Website: <https://bridlemileschool.org/>