Bridlemile Friday Flyer



5/14/2021

June 11th

June 16th

IMPORTANT DATES

May 17th-21st	Last Week for Library Book Checkout
May 20th	Bridlemile Community Equity Team Parent/Child Book Club Meeting, 6:00PM
	https://meet.google.com/bgn-iybx-sqd
May 20th	Repeat-Google Meet Kindergarten Presentation/Q&A for Incoming K families,
	meet.google.com/qub-prmm-xod
May 27th	Last School Bingo Nite of the year!!!! 6-7pm https://pps-net.zoom.us/j/82826126474
May 31st	NO SCHOOL- Memorial Day
June 1st	SPIRIT WEEK: Pajamas and Comfy Sweats Day
June 2nd	SPIRIT WEEK: Sports Team Day
June 3rd	SPIRIT WEEK: College Day
June 4th	SPIRIT WEEK: Bridlemile Beagle Day
June 4th	ALL LIBRARY BOOKS DUE

WHAT'S NEW INSIDE THIS ISSUE

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- Counselor's Corner-Bridlemile Counselor Newsletter
- PTA/Foundation PTA newsletter
- School RESJ Team Check In- Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month!
- Bridlemile Community Equity Team: Resources for Families on Equity and Social Justice Issues
- Community News- DESIGNING FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL INNOVATION- Join the Focus Group;
 Lincoln Youth Football Flyer

FROM THE OFFICE

We continue to celebrate all our wonderful Asian American and Pacific islander families this month! We invite you to watch this video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5lALmbkYqS0 and be sure to check out the latest from our RESJ Team below for additional resources and links if you would like to learn more!



Final BINGO NIGHT of the year!

Thursday, May 27th at 6pm

Zoom Link: https://pps-net.zoom.us/j/82826126474

Theme: Fun in the Sun

Link to download BINGO cards: https://mfbc.us/v/uqunnyc

Mark your calendar for Thursday, May 27th at 6pm for Bridlemile's 3rd and final BINGO NIGHT of the 2020-2021 school year!!! All Families and staff are invited!

Summer is almost here! So our theme is.... Summer Fun! Dress up ideas: sunglasses, sun hats, visors, zinc'd noses, flip flops, how about setting a sunny vacation destination as your background, snack on popsicles, lemonade, ice cream! We can't wait to see your ideas! You can even play the game outdoors in the sun!!

Please download your BINGO CARD before the event. You can play on a second device or print TWO COPIES.

Link to download BINGO cards: https://mfbc.us/v/uqunnyc

Join us to play via Zoom at 6 PM: https://pps-net.zoom.us/j/82826126474

We are looking forward to another fun-filled night with the Bridlemile Community!



COUNSELORS CORNER Bridlemile Counselor Newsletter

LIBRARY NEWS FROM MS. DAHINDEN

The last week for library book checkout is <u>May 17th-21st</u>. All library books are due <u>Friday, June 4th</u>. <u>Book checkout request form</u>

Please use the updated book request form to check out books from the Bridlemile library. Indicate on the form if your child is attending CDL or Hybrid. Hybrid students will have their

books delivered to their classroom on Thursdays and Fridays. CDL students can pick up their requested books on Wednesday afternoons, Thursdays, and Fridays outside the main school doors. Library staff will contact parents to confirm an exact pick up time. The book request link is also posted on the Destiny catalog in the announcement box on the left hand side of the main page. Make sure you are logged into your PPS account before accessing the form.



May is Walk and Roll Challenge Month! While school looks a little different these days the way you get to and from school doesn't have to. Over the past several years there have been many projects completed by Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) to improve our Safe Routes to School. For help finding your Safe Route to School, contact David Stein at steinnet@gmail.com.

Bike to Books was launched in 2017 by PBOT and Multnomah County Library to encourage kids to bike more and read books. Every May, as part of Bike Month, students living in Multnomah County can create their own bike lane art for Portland's "Bike to Books" design contest. This year, you can either pick up an entry form at your local Multnomah County library branch or print it off at home using this link.

For students biking and rolling to school we will be trying to do a Covid safe "bike fairy" with some small giveaways. Happy walking and rolling!

PTA/FOUNDATION NEWS

PTA newsletter

SCHOOL RACIAL EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM CHECK-IN TOPIC OF THE MONTH:

May is Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month! Observed since 1990, it celebrates the rich culture, traditions, and history of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States.

From Learning For Justice: "Asian Americans have been in what we call the United States since before its inception, with Filipino sailors coming to what is now Louisiana in the 1750s. Yet xenophobia has followed Asian communities from the beginning—through discourse, such as phrases like "yellow peril" or "dusky peril" referring to Asian immigrants, and through racist policies such as the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 and later the Immigration Act of 1917, which created the "Asiatic Zone of Barred Citizenship," entirely excluding immigrants from numerous countries from the Middle East to the Pacific Islands.

Despite their long history in the United States, <u>Asian Americans have faced and continue to face hate crimes and racism</u> rooted in a larger historical trope that no matter how long communities have been here, they are "perpetual foreigners." The research on identity-based bullying demonstrates that Asian Americans continually face incidents rooted in this notion of foreign-ness. For example, Asian Americans are often belittled for their names, the languages

they speak, the food they eat, or their appearances. One in four Asian American young people report having been bullied, with most of these instances occurring at school."

RECOMMENDED BOOKS:





COMMUNITY ACTION:







Asian American History Posters

These posters were created by a local Asian American artist who is also a PPS parent.

Venmo \$5 per poster to Jax-Chow and she will email you a high-resolution PDF you can use virtually or print out. Please specify which poster you want.

See more of her work at <u>jaxchow.com</u>.

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 <u>Hate Speech Response Form</u>.

Bridlemile Community Equity Team

Parent-Child Book Club

Tea Cakes for Tosh by Kelly Starling Lyons
Thursday, May 20 at 6:00PM

Meeting Link: https://meet.google.com/bgn-iybx-sqd

Please mark your calendar for the last meeting of the Bridlemile Community Equity Team's parent-child book club on Thursday, May 20 at 6:00. We'll be reading *Tea Cakes for Tosh* by Kelly Starling Lyons. Read-aloud happens during the meeting, followed by conversation; no need to have the book on hand! A description of the book is available at

https://socialjusticebooks.org/tea-cakes-for-tosh/. We'd love to see you there for this last book club discussion of the school year.

Dear Bridlemile community,

Data from the Race and Our Community survey is finally available! 67% of respondents asked for more resources on equity and social justice issues, and many indicated a desire for age-appropriate resources for kids.

One stand-out piece of data is that many community members lack understanding about white fragility, white saviorism, and ableism. Here are some resources to explore about each of these three terms:

White fragility

white fragility: discomfort and defensiveness on the part of a white person when confronted by information about racial inequality and injustice. (source - Oxford Languages)

<u>Seeing White</u> (podcast about whiteness, white fragility and the history of racism - 14 episodes, about 30 min each)

White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo (book)

White saviorism

white saviorism: sometimes combined with savior complex to write white savior complex, refers to a white person who provides help to non-white people in a self-serving manner. (source - Wikipedia)

<u>Unpacking White Saviorism</u> (7 min read) <u>On White Supremacy Culture</u> (9 min read)

Ableism

ableism: a set of beliefs or practices that devalue and discriminate against people with physical, intellectual, or psychiatric disabilities. (source - Center for Disability Rights)

<u>Ableism 101</u> (5 min read)

<u>Stella Young on disability and inspiration</u> (9 min video)

Crip Camp (documentary film)

An excellent website for children's/YA books on RESJ topics is Social Justice Books, from the Teaching for Change project. Their curated book lists are organized by topic: https://socialiusticebooks.org/booklists/

Another place for recommended reading material is the Multnomah County Library website. Their lists are organized by both by theme and age group:

Reading and Talking about Race and Racism (for kids)

Equity and Social Justice (for kids and teens)

Race and Social Justice (teens)

Ruilding Bridges - Let's Talk About Race (adults)

<u>Building Bridges - Let's Talk About Race</u> (adults)

Black Lives Matter movement (adults)

Disability Justice (adults)

Whatever our identities are, whatever communities we are part of, every one of us has more to learn. Take time to look for your own blind spots and discomfort, then educate yourself. We hope these resources are a helpful jumping-off point for your own growth and understanding.

In solidarity and connection, your Bridlemile Community Equity Team

COMMUNITY NEWS

Link to Middle School Redesign Website

DESIGNING FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL INNOVATION

Do you want to have an impact on the middle school redesign process? Join the Middle School Redesign Focus Group!

Portland Public Schools is redesigning the middle grades experience for our students. We don't know what the redesign will look like because we haven't heard from our students or caretakers on their hopes, dreams, and needs for middle school. It is important that we hear and learn from as many people as possible to help inform the redesign process.

5th-8th grade Student Focus Group

If your 5th-grade student wants to participate in a focus group, please click on the link found below. The student focus groups will take place next week on **Wednesday, May 19th.** If your student isn't comfortable attending a focus group, a survey will be shared within the coming week.

Click HERE for Student Focus Group Interest Form

5th-8th grade Caretaker Focus Group

There will be two opportunities for caretakers to provide feedback on PPS's middle school redesign. May 25th from 6:30-7:30 pm and May 26th at @10:00 am. Participating in this focus group will be an excellent opportunity to rethink our middle grades experience for your

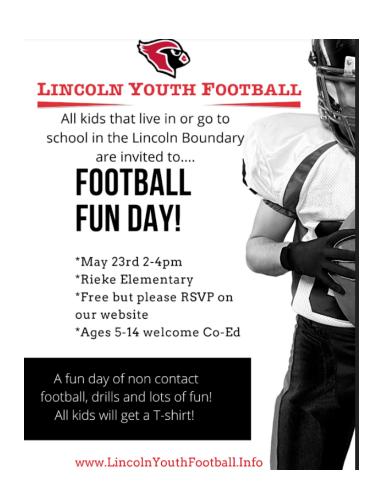
students.

We deeply value your feedback and look forward to learning from your experience. Click HERE for Caregiver Focus Group Interest Form

I look forward to partnering with you.

Meisha Plotzke, Director of Middle School Innovation & Redesign mplotzke@pps.net

Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace Flier
OSU Precollege Programs Summer Reading Skills Programs (ages 4 through 11th grade)
Saturday Academy Summer Camps & Classes Flier (grades 2-12)
Cognizart 360 Arts Camp 2021 (ages 6-12) - July 5-9 & July 12-16





<u>School Website</u> 503-916-6292

Friday Flyer Archives: School Website

PTA/Foundation: <u>Parent Resources / Bridlemile</u>
PTA Website: <u>https://bridlemileschool.org/</u>