# Bridlemile Friday Flyer



## 5/7/2021

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

- May 10th Optional Class Placement Survey Due
- May 11th Bridlemile PTA General Meeting, 6:00PM, Google Meet
- 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, <u>meet.google.com/qub-prmm-xod</u>
- 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 11th Last Day of School

# WHAT'S NEW INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- From the District-Nutrition Services-EBT Benefits; SNAP Benefits Update for Families
- From the Office-Congrats to our 5th Grade Science Expo winners! ; Upcoming Parade! PBOT: May is Walk & Roll Challenge Month
- Counselor's Corner-BridlemileCounselor Newsletter 5.7.21
- Library News: Last week for library book checkout: May 17th-21st. All library books are due Friday, June 4th.
- PTA/Foundation <u>PTA newsletter</u> ; 2021-22 open positions- looking for members! See below.

# **DISTRICT NEWS**

For the latest district news click here: <u>PPS District Homepage</u> At home strategies for families for Distance Learning <u>resources for P-12 strategies</u> <u>2021-22 District Calendar</u> (subject to possible revision)

# Nutrition Services

#### PANDEMIC EBT BENEFITS

While meals are served at no cost to children ages 1-18 at several Portland Public School sites this year, there are several benefits for eligible families to submit a meal application this school year.

- Families approved for free and reduced-price meals may be eligible to receive future potential government assistance such as Pandemic EBT benefits (\*please note that Oregon has not been approved yet for expanded Pandemic EBT benefits; we will alert families when we learn more and if it is approved).
- Families may be eligible for other benefits such as school related fee reduction or waivers, low cost internet and health coverage.

Families do not need to submit a meal application if any of the following apply:

- All students in the household attend a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school (list located online: https://www.pps.net/Page/2088) where students eat meals at no cost.
- A meal application has already been submitted and approved for the 2020-21 school year.
- The household received a 2020-21 Direct Certification Approval letter.
- The household does not meet the 2020-21 Federal Income Guidelines

Eligible families who would like to submit a meal application have the following options:

- 1. Online at www.schoolcafe.com/pps.
- Print, complete and mail back a paper meal application (https://www.pps.net/Page/2464) to PPS Nutrition Services, 501 N. Dixon St., Portland, OR 97227.
- 3. Request a paper meal application be mailed home from mealbenefits@pps.net or call 503.916.3402.

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

#### **SNAP BENEFITS UPDATE FOR FAMILIES**

Recently, the Food and Nutrition Service (the agency that manages the SNAP program at the federal level) changed the way they are issuing emergency extra SNAP benefits that have been available throughout the pandemic. This means moving forward, Oregon Department of Human Services will now start issuing extra emergency SNAP benefits to:

- SNAP participants who did not receive them in the past those that were already at the maximum benefit amount for their household size. These participants will start receiving an additional \$95 in benefits. And
- Those who, in the past, only received a small amount (less than \$95) of the emergency benefits these households will get up to \$95 (the difference between what they were receiving before and \$95). Along with
- Continuing to issue extra benefits for all SNAP participants to get to the maximum amount for their household size, as has been the case since early on in the pandemic. Households that currently receive more than \$95 in these emergency benefits won't see a change in the amount they receive.

The first issuance of additional benefits for these new groups will be April 30th. This will happen automatically with these benefits being added directly to participants EBT cards. Resources:

- Details can be found on the DHS website
- ODHS transmittal shares good examples for individual households of how this change works

# FROM THE OFFICE

#### 5th Grade Science Expo- Congrats to all our 5th graders and 5th grade winners!

A huge shout out and congratulations to our students in 5th grade who competed in the Science Expo. A special round of applause for the following students:



Samantha Moylan	3rd Place
Linley Fawcett	3rd Place
Kylie Jacobson	3rd Place
Aman Kondamam Reddy	Honorable Mention
Anirudh Tumuluru	Honorable Mention

Thank you to Dr. Sherman for his commitment to our 5th Grade students and this competition as well as to the parents and the time you put in helping your child.



Families! Remember our Bridlemile car parade that ran through your neighborhoods last spring?! That was just too much fun, and who doesn't love a parade!! We are tentatively planning another one for the end of this year!! More details and information to come. Stay tuned.....



## COUNSELORS CORNER BridlemileCounselor Newsletter 5.7.21

# LIBRARY NEWS FROM MS. DAHINDEN

The last week for library book checkout is May 17th-21st. All library books are due Friday, June 4th.

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.

Book checkout request 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 <u>steinnet@gmail.com</u>.

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 <u>link</u>.

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

#### Hello Bridlemile!!

Our next year is looking good for in-person school! So we are hoping we can get back to some fun PTA events. We can only do that with volunteers!! Our PTA has only 3 positions to fill! If you are interested in volunteering for the school and getting involved with our teacher/parent

community, the following positions are open:

**Treasurer:** No CPA experience needed, organizational skills are advised but we will work to orient you to the role!!

Assistant Treasurer: work with the treasurer to assure budget is maintained for the school year.

<u>VP fundraising</u>: work with the fundraiser leads to assure all needs are being met. Brainstorm various programs PTA could do to raise funds as well.

Please email: volunteer@bridlemileschook.org if you are interested!

Thank you and Happy Mother's Day!

# SCHOOL RACIAL EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM CHECK-IN 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: <u>https://meet.google.com/bgn-ivbx-sqd</u>

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

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace Flier Portland Parks & Recreation Preschool Registration Flier OSU Precollege Programs Summer Reading Skills Programs (ages 4 through 11th grade) Cognizart 360 Arts Camp 2021 (ages 6-12) - July 5-9 & July 12-16



<u>School Website</u> 503-916-6292 Friday Flyer Archives: <u>School Website</u> PTA/Foundation:<u>Parent Resources / Bridlemile</u> PTA Website: <u>https://bridlemileschool.org/</u>