

Bridlemile Friday Flyer

9/9/22

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 13th	PTA Board Meeting 6:00pm-virtual
Sep 14th	Volunteer & Co-Room Parent Orientation
Sept 16th	Charleston Wrap Fall Fundraiser Begins
Sept 22nd	Back to School Night
Sept 23rd	Teacher Professional Development Day- No School
Sept 28th	PICTURE DAY

WHAT'S NEW INSIDE THIS ISSUE

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MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL HU

Dear Bridlemile Families,

This was the first week of school with our youngest beagles! We welcome our Kindergarten students and their families. Everyone is doing a great job learning new routines and developing new friendships!

We want to thank all families for their continued support and efforts for timely student arrival. Class starts at 8:00am, which means teaching and learning begin at this time. We encourage students to arrive in time for doors opening at 7:52.

Safety is our highest priority. Our perimeter doors are closed and locked during the day. During student arrival, once teachers and students head inside, the doors are closed and we ask students arriving after doors are closed to head to the main doors for entry. Our two main doors have external cameras that show us in the main office who is ringing the buzzer. These cameras are recorded in case the footage needs to be reviewed. We continue to ask that if you are ringing in to the main entrance, that you do not hold the door open for someone waiting to enter behind you. It's best when visitors can be identified at the door first.

We conduct monthly fire drills to practice exiting the building safely, quickly, and in an organized manner. We practiced our first fire drill this morning. Students did a great job being safe and responsible. We are also required to practice other drills throughout the school year that include earthquake and lockdown preparedness. Later this month, we will practice the lockdown drill. Our staff will review protocol with students, have an age-appropriate discussion about the reasons for the

drill, and discuss expectations for what happens before, during, and after the drill. Your child may come home with questions. Information for how to discuss the drill is [linked here](#).

Paraeducator Need

Bridlemile has paraeducator vacancies in our K-2 and 3-5 Special Education Communication/Behavior classrooms. Paraeducators are critical members of the Special Education team supporting classroom teachers. If you or someone you know is interested in being a paraeducator at Bridlemile, please contact me at khu@pps.net. More information can be found at careers.pps.net. Search Job ID 25088. There is a \$3,000 Retention Bonus offered to new hires.

Multnomah Early Childhood Program

The Multnomah Early Childhood Program has a PEER program for children three to five years of age located on Bridlemile campus. This is an integrated preschool for children with identified learning challenges and their non-disabled peers. In MECP's imaginative and lively classes, young children make friends while playing, painting, learning and laughing alongside children with special needs. Peers will learn diversity, tolerance, and to appreciate the differences in every child. Classes are available Monday- Thursday in an AM or PM session. Free tuition available for qualified families. Translation services available. Sign up at: 503-261-5535 or peer_mecp@ddsd40.org

Picture Day

Picture Day forms are coming home to you in student backpacks this week.

Site Council

Are you interested in joining Bridlemile's Site Council? School Site Councils are made up of teachers, parents, non-certified staff, administrators and community members working together to increase student learning and enact our school mission.

Our Bridlemile Site Council is entering the election process which occurs every two years.

Meetings will be held virtually on Tuesdays, 5:30pm-6:15pm: 9/27, 10/25, 1/24, 3/21, 5/23 and others as needed. Indicate your interest here-- [Parent/Caregiver Self Nomination Form](#)

Per state law, adult family members shall be elected by adult family members of students attending the school. Our Bridlemile Site Council will prioritize forming a team representative of the diversity within our school community. Site council membership and meeting agendas and notes will be posted on our school website so parents/caregivers and staff can communicate questions or concerns to the members prior to meetings. **Nominations due Monday, September 12th.**

With care,
Katherine

From the Office

STUDENT VERIFICATION

IMPORTANT! To be sure we have the most current information on file for your student(s) we ask that all Parents/Guardians log on to your ParentVue account ParentVue.pps.net or click here: **Verify Online** and verify your student(s) profile. Be sure you select the YEARLY VERIFICATION tab from the menu.

Benefits of verifying online via ParentVUE:

- Complete the required yearly verification of your student's information
- Update your communication and language preferences
- Ensures your school has the most up to date information

SCHOOL CLIMATE HANDBOOK, DISTRICT DRESS CODE POLICY, SCHOOL FAQ'S

The school Climate Handbook, Dress Code Policy, and Discipline Handbooks can be found on our school website under "Our School" or can be accessed here: [School Climate Handbook](#)

PPS TEXT ALERTS

Stay informed! Sign up to receive text alerts about school closures, inclement weather, and bus delays & cancellations by texting YES to 68453.

REMINDE APP FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

Bridlemile uses the Remind App to send notifications to families about school events and happenings. If you would like to use the Remind app to receive these messages, you can download the app for free by searching for Remind in your app store or https://www.remind.com/send_the_app.

Review the [Getting Started with Remind](#) guide.

DISMISSAL CHANGES

If an emergency arises and you need to change your child's dismissal plan for the day, please:

- Email your child's teacher,
- CC the Bridlemile office (bridlemile-office@pps.net), and
- Notify your after school provider if you have one.

If you need to pick up your child early from school, please:

- Email your child's teacher,
- CC the Bridlemile office (bridlemile-office@pps.net),
- Come to the front entrance and ring the bell. We will call your child down from class and you will sign them out.
- *If your student will be returning, please walk them up to the front entrance, ring the bell, and we will have you sign your student back in.*

BRIDLEMILE SCHOOL DIRECTORY

The school directory is a great way to build our community and stay connected with your fellow Bridlemile students and families. PTA will be managing the directory via Membership Toolkit. In Parent Vue, you were notified that your information will be included in the directory. If you prefer to opt-out, please fill out this form and submit to the office and you will not be included in the directory.

[Publicity Denial & Non-Release of Information to School Directory Form](#)

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PHOTO OPT-OUT

Student photographs are commonly used in yearbooks (Although Bridlemile only offers a 5th grade yearbook), but are also sometimes included in school newsletters, school websites and other school related publications. If a picture is used, we do not use student names. If you do NOT want your student's photograph used or released for these purposes or for news media, please fill out this form and submit it to the office.

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LOST AND FOUND

There is a lost and found for student items located at the front entrance of the school. If students lose an item at school we will direct them to the lost and found to look for it. Please encourage your child to be responsible for all their belongings, making sure to bring all their things home each day.

Please note that our lost and found grows rapidly, therefore we donate away any unclaimed and unlabeled items to the PPS Clothes Closet at Marshall H.S twice a year.

Sometimes labeling your child's items can help with retrieval. You can buy waterproof, durable labels and permanent stamps from Mabel's Labels [Mabel's Labels](#), which supports PTA! Click "Support a Fundraiser", and type in "Bridlemile".

FOLLOW BRIDLEMILE ON INSTAGRAM!

Did you know Bridlemile has a new Instagram account? You can follow us @bridlemile_beagles. We've already shared some sweet photos from the start of the school year!



From the Nurse

Medications at school

If your child will need to take medicine during the school day, please check it in with our school Health Assistant Esther Doyle edoyle@mesd.k12.or.us. This includes both prescription and over the counter medication (including cough drops). All medication must be in its original packaging/container and the prescription label must be clear on the package. Please complete an Authorization for Medication Administration Form:

Authorization for Medication Administration Form

[English \(PDF\)](#) [Chinese \(PDF\)](#) [Russian \(PDF\)](#) [Somali \(PDF\)](#) [Spanish \(PDF\)](#) [Vietnamese \(PDF\)](#)

When should your child stay home from school

Please review this [Daily Self Screening Checklist](#) for symptoms, reporting, and stay home requirements before allowing your student to ride the bus, walk, or be dropped off at school.

MUSIC NEWS FROM MS. BARLOW

Recorder information:

Third Graders will need a recorder this year. If you are new to Bridlemile and in third, fourth, or fifth grade you will need one too. [Recorder Order Form](#)

PTA & FOUNDATION NEWS

Hello from PTA and Foundation Bridlemile Families!


PTA is here to help our community stay connected and to support teachers and staff. Foundation raises money to increase staffing and bridge the gap between what public funding provides and the comprehensive educational experience all of our children deserve. In addition, 30% of what we raise goes to the district to support other PPS schools.

To keep us connected, we have a PTA and Foundation [Newsletter](#) which comes out every week. Please bookmark this link, and check back weekly! A copy of the link will always be provided in the weekly Friday Flyer. To stay up to date on all the latest events, to donate, or to find out how you can get involved, visit us on our website: www.bridlemileschool.org Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Kendra Joyce (PTA President) pta@bridlemileschool.org and
Eric Bowler (Foundation President) bridlemilefoundation@gmail.com

The Bridlemile Leaning Garden

Volunteers needed!
Garden Work Party 9/25 12pm-2pm.
More details next week.

Lauren Barton garden@bridlemileschool.org
Bridlemile Learning Garden Chair
 Grow Portland At Bridlemile

Meet Our New Garden Educator! Max Krieger, Grow Portland Garden Educator

Max Krieger (Garden Educator, He/Him) comes to Grow Portland with 15 years of experience working with young people outside. He began this work in upstate New York in the field of wilderness therapy. After moving to Oregon in 2011, he led courses with NOLS, an international wilderness school, that focused on leadership, risk management, environmental studies, and outdoor skills. Max began his journey with garden education while receiving his MS in Sustainability Education from Portland State University in 2017. Since then he has become passionate about the power of gardens to help people foster connections to the natural world and to each other. Most recently, Max managed a garden for a Sandy area nonprofit that

engaged youth in workforce development. Max has fallen in love with the Pacific Northwest and while he plans to continue planting roots in this region, he will always be a Georgia peach at heart.



Bridlemile Learning Garden Committee Volunteers Needed.

We are looking for a team to be working hand in hand with the Bridlemile Learning Garden Teacher's committee, and the new Grow Portland Collaboration. We need volunteers to help build and continue the building of the Bridlemile Learning Garden both literally hands on and behind the scenes.

Experience in the following areas is helpful but not necessary:

- Design / Landscape
- Repairs
- Applying for grants
- Marketing
- Design / Structural
- Green Thumb
- Art

Our biggest need for this year is someone who has experience with non-profit grant writing. This can be a committee role, or non-committee role.

Our committee will meet as a group once monthly. We have a running list of things that can be tackled by anyone who wants to spend time in the garden itself, or helping with community outreach, event planning, or fundraising. We need your ideas too!

We will typically be meeting in the garden to tackle larger projects, but also encourage you to help out whenever is most convenient for you. If you cannot commit to a committee role, we do absolutely still need your help.

Please contact Lauren Barton by email at garden@bridlemileschool.org

We're excited for all the good things to come for The Bridlemile Learning Garden this year working together to support our students and teachers.

Happy weekend to you!

*The mission of the **Bridlemile Learning Garden** Committee is to create and maintain natural spaces on our school grounds where students can grow nutritious food and become stewards of their environment. We envision an accessible living laboratory with programming that engages students in*

hands-on learning. We will also promote a healthy lifestyle by teaching from seed-to-plate and getting kids moving outdoors

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Friday Flyer Archives: **[School Website](#)**

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

PTA Website: **<https://bridlemileschool.or>**

Social Media: **[Like our Facebook Page](#)**

Instagram: **[@bridlemile_beagles](#)**

