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Dear Sabin Families,

Thank you for your support and partnership over these first three months of school. During the month of November, we will have seven non-school days and in December, we will have 10 days in which there is no school for students. As you can imagine, it can present some challenges for students and staff. During non-school days, I encourage you to limit TV time while encouraging and model continual learning. Set a goal of reading and completing a book during the holiday season. Find out about web-based reading and math supports like Moby Max and make sure you have password access – you can talk with your child's teacher more about this.

As you may know, this month's learner profile attribute is caring. We recognized students during assemblies who demonstrated this characteristic in their peer and adult interactions. Remember, the social emotional development of children is as critical as their academic growth is for their career and life success. Social-emotional development involves a child's experience, expression, and management of emotions and their ability to establish positive and rewarding relationships.

At Sabin, we are committed to the social-emotional development of students in

partnership with families. We do not support behavior that is counter to positive social-emotional development including teasing, name-calling, put-downs, or any other form of behavior often

described as bullying. I encourage you to continue to talk with your child about how they can respond when they encounter this type of behavior. Please let them know to involve an adult staff member if they are unable to resolve the matter independently. Thank you for all you do in support of ALL students!

You may be aware that the PPS School board voted to open Harriet Tubman Middle School next year. In order for Tubman to open in the fall of 2018, there are many things that must happen. Our planning principal, Natasha Butler, has made wonderful connections with students, staff and families. It is important that the Sabin community offer ideas and input toward a vision for Tubman middle school.

As always, thank you for your partnership in creating globally-minded, caring and principled leaders of the next generation!



Parents and Guardians,

We would like to formally introduce "**Grandma Kathy's Grub Fund**", created to provide both parents and children with an opportunity for any child, at any time, to get a nutritious breakfast or lunch. Grandma Kathy would be ecstatic to know that this fund was being used, in whatever fashion parents need!

- Money tight? Just send an email to: lmartin@pps.net to have the fund applied to an outstanding balance.
No questions asked!
- Outstanding unpaid cafeteria balances will be covered by the fund.
- Groceries light at home? No problem! The outstanding cafeteria staff will deliver breakfast or lunch to your child, even if they do have a current School Cafe account.

Thank you for using this fund when you need it most. That is the legacy that Grandma Kathy would love to be a part of!




Kathy Strade was a devoted Sabin Star and Grandma. Long before her grandchildren attended Sabin, she was a strong Sabin supporter...she was known for her excitement and enthusiasm at the annual auction (often times energetically bidding against herself), and she always gave generously to the Special Appeal. She was also the anonymous donor who launched the North Playground project.

Kathy was a fantastic grandma and always kept tasty treats at her home for her seven grandchildren (some healthy...some not-so-much). She could never bear the thought of a child going hungry, and recognized that all parents have times in their lives where it may be difficult to make ends meet.

We would like to announce that the beautiful gift she left to Sabin in her estate will fund "Grandma Kathy's Grub Fund". This fund will be used to eliminate any outstanding balances in a child's cafeteria account that parents are unable to pay, with no need for explanation or pre-qualification. We are working with the Administration to make it easy for parents to select this option, as well as to cover any remaining unpaid balances.

*Sabin students have a
beautiful Guardian Angel
in Kathy Strade so...
Eat Up!*



IB Update

Sacha Luria, IB Coordinator

November has been a month of professional development for all of our teachers. Our PE teacher Emily Wright attended an IB training in Seattle along with all of the other PYP and MYP physical education teachers in the entire district.

This week, our MYP teachers were given the opportunity to attend an IB workshop this week. The teachers had the chance to work with MYP teachers from Vernon, MLK and Skyline.

Later this month, we also have six PYP teachers who will be attending training, also located here in Portland. Again, there will be other teachers from Vernon, MLK and Skyline. This is a fantastic opportunity for us to make our IB program even more effective and engaging for students.





ADA Parking at Sabin School

Sabin School families rely on the ADA reserved parking spot located between the south playground covered area and the school entrance nearest the cafeteria. When the ADA spot is blocked by cars or bikes, getting to school is difficult and stressful for students who need the parking spot. Please be aware of the ADA parking spot and keep the area clear.



Season of Sharing



This is a call out for love and support of Sabin's Season of Sharing. "Season of Sharing" is our in house holiday assistance program. Every year we are able to buy clothes, and small gifts for families with children attending Sabin that may have limited resources during the holiday season. We love being able to make a heart filled impact to kids who really need it in our very own community. It's headed up by a couple awesome parents, and SUN School staff. So far we've raised just over \$1000 total in-kind donations. Our goal this year is \$2500, and we are almost there!

We are collecting money until Thanksgiving Break! 1 more week!

Here's how families can help:

- Cash, check (made out to Season of Sharing c/o Sabin PTA), \$15 and \$25 Fred Meyer gift cards. Any amount helps us get closer to our goal! All donations can be dropped in the main office in the Sun School mailbox, or Sun office (room 200)
- Look for Season of Sharing Donation forms and tables before and after school!
- Volunteer your time on December 11 from 3:15 P.M. – 7 P.M. to wrap presents and help set things up for family pick-up. This is an adult only event. There will be a child friendly activity for those bringing their children. Sign up coming soon!

Thank you, thank you for your support. Let us know if you'd like to contribute in any other way not listed above.

Questions:

Rachel Prust, SUN Coordinator - rprust@pps.net

Maria Kyles, Sabin parent - a.maria.leis@gmail.com or 503.412.8221

Sara Lockman, Sabin parent - smlockman@gmail.com

Melissa Lindekugel, Sabin parent - melindekugel@mac.com

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For more information contact Cara Farr (farroufamily@gmail.com) or Catherine Johnson (catherinej30@yahoo.com).

Upcoming School Concerts

Mark your calendars for the upcoming winter concerts under the direction of Ms. Melody Simrel.

November 29

"Snow!"

Kindergarten 9:30 AM in auditorium

December 6

"Music Stew"

3rd-5th 6:30 PM in gym

December 13

"Swingin' In A Holiday Mood"

1st-2nd 9:30 AM in auditorium



Hour of Code



Classrooms at Sabin School are signing up to participate in Hour of Code the week of December 4-8. Hour of Code introduces concepts of programming and computer science through games and activities. More information is available online at code.org.

Hour of Code is led by parent/guardian volunteers. Volunteers can sign up at goo.gl/G3oUD9 or email Alex Stange at mrstange@gmail.com.

No coding experience is necessary to volunteer.

Fall Harvest Party – November 19

Don't miss the Fall Harvest Party:

Sunday, November 19 from 10 A.M. -2 P.M.

It's almost Harvest Party Time! Please plan to come out for some apple pressing, nature play, and garden activities, and give some love to our edible garden and nature playground. Stay tuned for details in upcoming Sentinels!

If you want to help out with planning and supporting this fun event, just let us know!

Contact: Lydia Fisher, Sabin Environmental and Outdoor Education Committee,
lydiaindira@gmail.com.



PTA Clothing Day



Can you be a personal shopper/clothing attendant for the PTA clothing center on December 11?

Each school is asked to send 5-8 volunteers twice a year to support this great program. Sabin's second scheduled date is December 11 from 9:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Please sign up to help if you are available for all - or even just part of this time. The PTA clothing center is a great service to PPS students in need, and you'll be helping students and their families make selections from new and gently used clothing items.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0848aea92da20-volunteer2>



Sabin Auction – Save the Date and Volunteer

Please save the date for the 2018 Sabin Auction. The theme this year is **Mad about Science**.

Saturday, April 14, 2018, 6 P.M. at the Melody Ballroom.

The Auction Committee is in need of your help! We are asking for help from our entire school community, in addition to second grade parents. We cannot do this alone and are in dire need of more hands to ensure a successful Auction!

There are numerous opportunities to help at different times, and most of them don't require you asking people for money or donations. Here are some examples of areas we need help: social media, website management, software management, day of event coordination, school community outreach, raffles, class baskets, and more.

If you are able to help in any way, please email **sabinauction2018@gmail.com** and start the conversation. You can also reach out to Danielle Ewalt, Mindee Humphrey or Emily York. We promise to find something that fits you!



Last Scrip Order before the Holidays



Scrip orders are due Friday, December 1. This will be the last order of 2017. There are many ways for you to cover your holiday shopping and fundraise for Sabin School on this order! Columbia Employee Store passes are available again - one pass will allow 4 people into the Columbia Employee Store and give you access to shop with this discount online as well. We will also be able to get more Chinook Books in case you missed out last month. And, if you are planning to donate to the Season of Sharing, why not buy Fred Meyer gift cards (in denominations of \$25) to both help out Sabin families in need **and** fundraise for Sabin's IB program at the same time?

Please let us know if you have any questions or need help signing up at **www.shopwithscrip.com**. We're happy to help. Email us sabinscrip@gmail.com.

Pizza for Pencils! Hot Lips Fundraiser

Kick off a busy month by grabbing some pizza from Hot Lips Pizza on **Tuesday, December 5!** 15% of the proceeds from the Concordia store located at NE Killingworth St. and NE 33rd Ave will go to Sabin School. You can also pick up some gift cards for holiday gifts or stocking stuffers (Sabin gets 15% from those too). Happy eating! (Sorry, delivery orders are not included.)



YOUR HELP NEEDED WITH SNACK DONATIONS!

Did you know that our wonderful office staff has been making snacks available to students who come into the office during the day and after school? Sometimes a snack is exactly what a child needs for that extra boost of energy to support their growing bodies and developing brains.

Let's all pitch in for the year!

To spread out donations, we suggest that families with students in the following grades bring in snacks:

OCTOBER: 2nd grade & 4th grade
NOVEMBER: 3rd grade
DECEMBER: 5th grade
JANUARY: Kindergarten & 6th grade
FEBRUARY: 7th grade & 8th
MARCH: 1st grade & 3rd grade
APRIL: 4th grade & 5th grade
MAY: 2nd grade & all middle grades

Please drop off any of these requested items in the main office:

- Boxes of nut-free granola bars
- Boxes of graham crackers
- Boxes of fruit snacks
 - Whole fruit
- Cash donations

Please limit donations to these items only as office staff have found they work best (easy to hand out, allergen free, etc.).
Thank you!