

## **Friday Update**

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Dear Families,

A very big thank you for all of the food, flowers, cards, and good cheer during Staff Appreciation Week. We would be unable to do our work without the incredible support of our PTA, Foundation, and the hundreds of Alameda families - Thanks again!

We are down to essentially the final month of school. This is always a time filled with excitement, anxiety, and anticipation - a real mixture of emotions. It probably does not come as a surprise that we also notice an uptick in challenging behaviors in some students. Our staff is working hard to support students and to hold students accountable for not following through with known schoolwide expectations. We thank you in advance for any additional conversations you are able to have at home.

Updates, Events, and Announcements...

<u>End of the Year Celebration - 5th Grade Families:</u> Please CLICK HERE for important information about the 5th Grade End of the Year Celebration.

<u>Beaumont Middle School Foundation:</u> A Reminder - Next Thursday, May 18, from 6-8pm, the Beaumont Middle School Foundation is hosting a Popcorn Social + Raffle at the Hi-Top Tavern (5015 NE Fremont). The event is for adults only and FREE to attend.

The Foundation is also assembling a wide variety of gift baskets that you can enter to win by purchasing raffle tickets at the event (\$10 each, 6 for \$50). We will be selling raffle tickets after school (3:30 to 4:30pm) and by phone (Monica Kearsley 503-869-1129) with a credit card on Tuesday and Wednesday (9am-8pm). Cash bar, but the Foundation will provide snacks. Please join us to support our neighborhood middle school and help create a stronger community!

Do you have a soon-to-be 6th grader who will be attending Beaumont? Great! Come meet parents of current Beaumont students to learn more about the school and its community. If you have questions or would like to donate items for the raffle, please contact Brian Sniffen

<u>Family Dance is coming soon!</u> <u>Friday, May 19th; 6:30-8:30 PM</u>; All Alameda families from K – 5 and your family members!

- · Fun carnival style games from K-5 in the cafeteria
- A sensory room for guiet and calm filled with adaptive toys, fidgets, Legos and more
- · Karaoke in the cafeteria and "freeze" dances every 20 minutes with prizes
- Football toss, backyard Jenga and sack races in the gym
- · Snacks, treats and drinks for sale

PLEASE RSVP and let us know you are coming!

Pre-order a Glow Kit (\$5) and Snacks to pick up at the front door! Glow in the Dark Glasses

**Spring Open House:** We hope to see you on May 31st at our Spring Open House. The classroom open house runs from 5:30 - 6:30 PM with the Eagle Story Hour (Read a poem, sing, play an instrument) beginning at 6:30 PM. Please GO HERE if you are interested in signing up to perform. We are also excited to showcase classroom art projects, which will be auctioned off/sold, with all proceeds going to the Alameda Foundation. It should be a fun evening!

<u>Incoming Kindergarten Playground Social:</u> Calling all incoming kindergarten students and families. We hope you can join us on the Alameda Playground on Thursday, June 1st, from 5:00 - 6:00 PM. Meet new families, have a popsicle and get a welcome to kindergarten PPS t-shirt!

<u>Final Principal Coffee of the Year:</u> Join us in the cafeteria on Friday, June 2nd beginning at 8:45 AM for the final coffee of the year. We will be discussing some of our success from the 2022-2023 School year as well as talking a bit about the planning going on for next year.

<u>Discovery garden - help us grow!</u> We are looking for your help in the school garden this spring and summer. All are welcome and no gardening experience required. In fact, if getting in the dirt is not your thing, there are plenty of other ways you can help! (Examples: making garden signs, buying starts or seeds, donating tools, repairing fencing, watering plants, and helping coordinate get kids out into the garden)

Here are three things that everyone can do:

- 1. Ask your kids to help care for the garden by keeping off the fencing and out of the garden beds. There are baby plants trying to grow there!
- Take five minutes to stroll through the garden together and see what is going on. The first grader classes planted peas and they are starting to take off!
- 3. Talk about the types of fruits and vegetables that are in your family's favorite foods.

Let's get growing! Contact Bonny Cushman/(503) 422-6694 for more info.

Have a wonderful Mother's Day Weekend!

Regards, Matt Goldstein

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