



Chief Joseph Elementary School

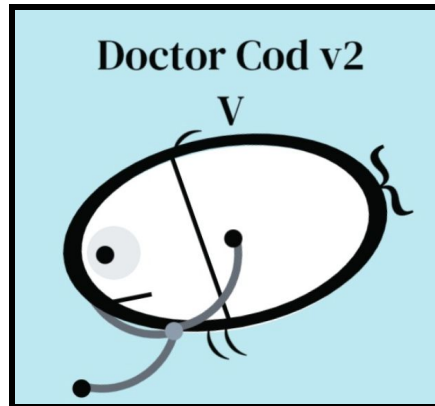
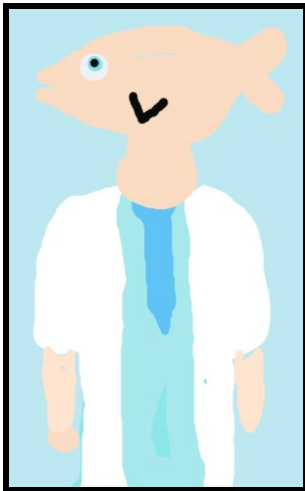
Family Bulletin

12.15.2020

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All School News

Do you know a 4th grader in Mr. Ibrahim's class? Ask that student about Dr. Cod & the wide variety of emoji symbols they created for him! *Thank you to Hazel Williams for the original Dr. Cod & for cataloguing the class meme!*



PE NEWS

We are kicking off The Kids Heart Challenge starting January 15th, so save the date and get excited! More information to come as we get closer to the date. The Kids Heart Challenge is a fun and exciting event where your student learns about their heart while helping others by raising money for the American Heart Association. It prepares your child for success through physical and emotional well-being. Through fun activities we'll discover ways to take care of our hearts and brains while practicing kindness, gratitude and learning ways to de-stress. Plus, we have the chance to earn PE equipment for our school! Reach out to Ms. Nguyen at anguyen@pps.net or remind app if you have questions.

A strong, diverse and respectful community where we make learning creative and fun!

Upcoming Dates

12.18.2020 Friday
3:00-4:30 pm
Pick up free food box for Winter Break

12.21.2020-01.01.2021
Winter Break
No School

1.15.2021 Friday
All School Assembly
honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

1.15.2021 Friday
American Heart Association
Fundraiser begins

1.18.2021 Monday
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
No School

01.29.2021 Friday
Inservice Day
No School

IMPORTANT REMINDER ABOUT FREE FOOD PROGRAM - On this Friday, Dec 18, The Nutrition Services department will be providing each child with a food box that will contain enough food for 7 days as they will not be serving or delivering meals on Monday, Dec 21 through Friday, January 1. Meal services will resume Monday, January 4. The hours to pick up food (free for all Portland kids - ages 1-18!!) at Chief Joseph School are 3-4:30pm Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. If you need extra food assistance or to request home delivery, visit the [website](#) where you can find resources or email nutritionservices@pps.net.
***PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR A MASK AND STAY SIX FEET AWAY FROM OTHERS WHEN PICKING UP FOOD, BOOKS OR MATERIALS AT THE SCHOOL!**

Library

The Chief Joseph Library is open for Chromebooks, Library Book Bags, Book Fair orders or classroom materials. Library hours until Winter Break will be Mondays 8am-12pm, Wednesdays 3-5pm, and Thursdays 9am-3:30pm (closed from 12-1pm). The Library will be closed during Winter Break. Library doors are located on the backside of the school on the west side of the playground, behind the Kindergarten classrooms. Please remember to wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines.

PTO Online Giving Tree

If you are able, please consider donating to our Backpack Program online. We will be delivering extra food for winter break. 100% of your contribution goes directly to buy food and supplies for our families. To sponsor a student for one month is \$24, for six months \$144 and for the year is \$240. Any amount helps. If you are able, please donate [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact info@chiefjosephschool.org.



Counseling Corner

Dear Families,

I have been working with 5th grader, Izzie Cahill, on a leadership opportunity for 5th grade students that I wanted to share with you all! Izzie reached out to me about starting a toy drive among the 5th grade as she realized she has toys she doesn't play with anymore and wanted to give them to families who could use them in her community. She wondered if there were other 5th graders who might share this experience and we came up with a plan! We will be collecting *used, gently-loved* toys and donating them to Bradley Angle, a domestic violence shelter in North Portland.

Here are the details:

What: Items they are looking for include sensory toys (baby sensory boards), play food and kitchen equipment, play areas such as mini kitchens, cash register, legos, bean bags, puzzles, diverse dolls (preferably not Barbie), sensory bins (for sand/playdough/etc) and large stuffed animals. Other gently-loved toys will be accepted and donated elsewhere if Bradley Angle does not need it.

How: Donations can be dropped off at the library. Please put donations in a bag so that they are easily collected and limit the amount of items touched. The library is open Mondays 8am-12pm, Wednesdays 3-5pm, and Thursdays 9am-3:30pm (closed from 12-1pm).

When: We will be collecting gently-loved toys until December 17th.

If you have any questions, please contact me at espier@pps.net or 971-770-1521.

*PPS is extending the deadline for middle and high school transfer requests. If you have a fifth grader and would like to request a different middle school than our neighborhood school, Ockley Green, please go here for more information and an application <http://www.pps.net/schoolchoice>

Resources

SMART (Start Making A Reader Today)

Watch this [short video](#) to see what is available for second graders this year who would like to do the SMART program.

Holiday Help

Portland Fire and Rescue's Toy and Joy drive. Please call the toy request line at 503-231-8697. More information can be found [here](#).

PPS Youth Resource App

The Youth Resource App is a free, anonymous, health-resource app that has all major health related resources that are free to the city of Portland's youths. With just a few taps of the finger, one can find themselves in contact with a local specialist designated specifically for their needs. The app can be found in the app store [here](#).

Black Youth Crisis Recovery Group

Maurice Phillips and Jonicia Shleton have come together to create a safe affinity space for black students to unpack the trauma and grief that they may be dealing with as a result of police brutality, the pandemic, opposition to BLM movement, etc. This is open to any Black K-12 PPS student. If your child is interested in participating, please contact Ms. Lynn at espier@pps.net or 971-770-1521 so that she can refer you to the group.

Oregon Health Plan for children

The Oregon Health Plan (OHP) is available to all children and teens, regardless of immigration status who: • Are younger than 19 • Meet income and other criteria. Help to apply is free. Call 833-OHP-FORU (833-647-3678) or click here - OregonHealthCare.gov/gethelp.

Student Health Centers

PPS Roosevelt Student Health Center is open for phone, video and in-person visits. Monday-Thursday 8:45 am-4:45 pm and Friday for phone and video appointments only. Call 503-988-3909 to make an appointment. Any Multnomah County K-12 youth can visit the center and there are no out of pocket costs. For more information visit <https://multco.us/health/student-health-centers>.

Rent

Multnomah County COVID-19 Rent Relief Fund Program

- Find all information regarding this assistance [here](#).
- If COVID-19 has impacted your ability to pay rent, you may qualify for the Multnomah County COVID-19 Rent Relief Fund Program. In order to see if you qualify you will need to call 211, confirm eligibility, and get added to the waitlist.
- The waitlist opens periodically, so call 211 often to check status!