



Chief Joseph Elementary School

Family Bulletin

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

All School News

Our art teacher, Hanne Duncan, has two pieces of artwork that will be on display at the [Maryhill Museum of Art](#) through April 24th. Her artwork is in a show titled **Teachers As Artists: Examine, Emerge, Enlighten** showcasing the work of art educators in Washington and Oregon. The exhibit is on display at the museum as well as for viewing on their website!

We have a new school secretary! Please welcome Ms. Michelle to the front office. If you have any attendance or registration needs, you can email her mirowley@pps.net. Ms. Janna is now working as the principal's secretary while Ms. Jennifer Pettit completes her student teaching in fourth grade, with Ms. Shutt.

If you have a child who will be five on or before Sept. 1, please join us for our Virtual Connect to Kindergarten Event on Thursday, April 21 at 9:30 am OR Tuesday, May 10 at 6 pm. This is an opportunity for incoming kindergarten families to meet the principal, counselor and teachers, see a tour of the school, learn about a typical day for a kindergarten student, find out how to help their student succeed in school and ask questions. Let your friends and neighbors know if they have an incoming kindergarten!

Upcoming Dates

04.21.2022 Thursday
Kindergarten Connect
9:30am -10:30am
<https://pps-net.zoom.us/j/87071981315>

05.10.2022 Tuesday
Kindergarten Connect
6:00pm-7:00pm
<https://pps-net.zoom.us/j/81082299749>

05.30.2022 Monday
No School
Memorial Day

06.10.2022 Friday
Last day of School!

Library

When a student forgets to bring their library book, they don't go home empty handed...they can choose a book from our **Free Little Library!**



Please help us refresh our supply of free books for students to choose from. Donations can be dropped off at the Office (clearly labeled Library) during school hours. We could really use picture books, level/early readers, graphic novels, and smaller chapter books. Thank you for helping us continue to support our students!

Thank you, Mrs. Hall

Art

Greetings from the Chief Joseph Art Studio! There are so many wonderful creations being made around school and events happening around town this spring. The students are bursting with energy and creativity and the art studio is a great place to be!

Student work from the 3rd quarter will begin making its way home soon. I encourage all families to engage in conversations with their students regarding the art that comes home. Some great starter questions for families to ask are:

- *Tell me about this work of art? (Let your student take it from there.)*
- *I like what you did/the color you chose/the texture you made here, etc....tell me about the process.*
- *What did you learn from making this work of art? Was there an artist, time period, book, or bigger idea that was an inspiration?*
- *What's your favorite part?*

Additionally, the Portland Art Museum and Portland Public Schools are gearing up for the annual HeART of Portland showcase. Save the date for the Miller Family Free Day on Sunday, April 24th, at the Portland Art Museum. On this day, all visitors to the museum will be admitted free of charge. Visitors will be able to view pop-up performances throughout the museum of PPS students engaged in music, dance, and theatre, as well as hands-on art making opportunities!

Counseling Corner

Hello Families,

As we approach the end of the year, I hope you and your family are doing well. Please feel free to reach out to myself or our School Social Worker, Brandi Cole, if there is any way we can support you and your family. Additionally, I wanted to let you know that I will begin pushing into classrooms to teach the Racial Equity Social Justice unit that the district created last year. The focus of these lessons is to create a shared vocabulary and common understanding when it comes to race, culture, and identity. We learn to celebrate our differences and discuss how we can be changemakers in our society!

Take care,

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