



Skyline K-8

October 27, 2017



Principal's Corner

Skyline Families,

This was a fabulous week at Skyline K-8. It was so much fun seeing the 6th graders off to Outdoor School on Sunday. I really enjoyed meeting those of you I had not met yet. My goal is to meet all of the Skyline families. On Wednesday, I was able to visit Outdoor School. A huge thank you to Megan Kindred for subbing for me so I could go. The students were having a blast and were engaged in the learning activities led by the camp counselors. I was very impressed with the facility and the staff.

Please mark your calendars for the Skyline K-8 Auction on March 10, 2018. It is going to be an awesome event and there are some wonderful staff parties that will be auctioned off. I will be hosting a "Rule the School/Principal for the Day" opportunity, and my daughter and I will be hosting a "Pottery, Pizza and Frozen Yogurt Party" for a student and two friends.

The K/1 and 2/3 grade level teams worked together in Professional Learning Teams this week and looked at student achievement data, interventions for students and worked on PYP year-long plans. It was awesome to collaborate, examine our data, and come up with plans to provide targeted interventions for our students who have instructional, social/emotional and attendance needs by utilizing all of our staff including Mrs. Gervais, our counselor, and Mrs. Hiser, our intervention specialist/media specialist. The data showed there is a correlation with attendance and achievement data.

In our data meetings we identified how we will differentiate our instruction to meet the needs of all learners while implementing our interventions. It is our goal to see our SBAC scores and overall student achievement increase. I have very high hopes for our amazing staff, students and families.

If you have not signed up for our upcoming conferences on November 8th and 9th, please do so. My goal is to have 100% of our families attend conferences. Our teachers are working hard to streamline our communication in grades K-5 for conferences. You will receive a PPS Parent-Teacher Conference Form with your student's data to better inform you of where your child is academically.



Upcoming Events

November 1

Picture Retakes

November 2

Cookie Dough Fundraiser ends

Principal's Chat – 4 pm

Family Mural Night – 5-8 pm

November 3

Teacher Planning – No Students

November 6

Scholastic Book Fair –

Nov. 6-9

November 8

Parent Conferences

November 9

Parent Conferences

November 10

School Holiday

November 16

PTA Foundation Meeting-

6 pm

If you are interested in attending an informational meeting on understanding the Skyline School Report Card, the work I am leading with staff and anything else you might want to know, I will be hosting two Parent Information Sessions during conferences on Wednesday, November 8 from 1:00p.m.-2:00p.m. and 6:00p.m.-7:00p.m. in the library. If we need to schedule a third meeting to accommodate families, please let me know. You are also welcome to pop in my office anytime. I covered a lot of this information at the last PTA meeting but want to make sure everyone hears what we are doing and the new work we have added to our plates. If I am not available, Chris can schedule a time for us to meet. I want to be very transparent with the work we are doing here at Skyline with all of you.

Just a reminder for all families not to park in the reserved parking spots that were purchased at the auction. They are marked off with signs



Thanks so much! Have a great weekend!

All the best!

BG Aguirre

In the Spotlight!

In our spotlight this week is Carol Reifsteck - Skyline's Library and Secretary Assistant. Carol has worked mainly in the library last year, and now she is also helping in the office doing dismissal, registration and various other things. Carol will still get to help kids check out books and see the wonderful things Mrs. Hiser is doing with the students. She has been wonderful helping out at school - Carol volunteered here for 6 years while her own twin girls were here before being offered a job here. It's been great seeing all the wonderful children learning, growing and becoming amazing people. We are so fortunate to have Carol working with our students each and every day!

School Picture Make Up Day- November 1

Lifetouch Studios will be at Skyline on Wednesday, November 1st at 8:45 am for picture re-takes. If your student did not have pictures taken and you would like to order pictures, order forms are available in the school office or you can order online at MYLIFETOUCH.COM and use the code FO737018Q1. Or if you would like to return your picture packet, Lifetouch will gladly re-take your students picture. Each classroom will be called to have identified students report to the gym for pictures. If you ordered a group or classroom composite picture they will be distributed in January.

Counselor's Corner

This week, K-5 students have been learning about how to stand up for someone who is being bullied or who needs their help. The kids are learning about what it means to be an ally. We practiced what to do by role playing or working out scenarios with a partner. Ask your student what they would do if they saw someone being picked on. Being an ally doesn't mean they have to confront the bully. You can be an ally by being a friend to the target or reaching out to an adult for help.

Wednesday and Thursday this week, I was able to begin some high school transition work with the 8th graders. We talked about Portland's lottery high schools because students who are interested in applying to those schools must have their applications submitted by December 1st. This week's lesson was also their first exposure to a high school transcript and some important vocabulary. Throughout the school year, I will be working with 8th graders to ensure their confidence and readiness for high school.

Thank you and have a wonderful week,
Amy Gervais
School Counselor

Backpack Program

Thanks to Sara Bowersox and Liz Ascher, our weekend backpack program is up and running again for the 2017-2018 school year. This year, we could really use a weekly donation of bread. Staples, including small bags of rice, pasta and snack items that are small, easy to open, and light to carry, would also be appreciated. When buying items, please keep in mind that it is often little children carrying these items. While bulk is great for families, it is impossible for kids to carry.

IB Corner

Fall Family Night - Let's Paint a Mural together!

Please come and support the 6th Grade class Community Service Project on Thursday, Nov. 2. They are hosting the first ever Family Mural Night. We will have warm beverages and snacks, fall activities, games, and of course a chance to help paint a new IB themed, student designed mural to be hung behind the bleachers in the Skyline Gym.

Special thanks to Ace Hardware in St. John's, the Garcia-Shinn Family, and the Skyline PTA for donations to this event!

There is a link to the Sign-up Genius page for all Skyline adults and Middle School students that want to help at our event. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e4aafae2bab9-family>

Pot Luck Suggestions:

Last Names A-F Salads / Sides

Last Names G-P Entrees

Last Names Q-Z Desserts

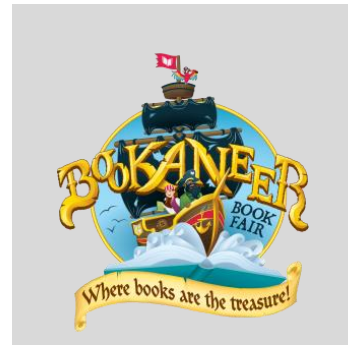
The entire community, teachers and their families are all welcome!

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Library Link

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school from **November 6 to 9!** Book Fair hours will be 8:00 am to 3:30 pm on Monday and Tuesday, and Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm (during Parent Conferences). Giving kids access to good books and the opportunity to choose their own books motivates them to read more. And, like most acquired skills, the more kids practice reading, the better they will get. We hope you will share your talents, and join us as we help students discover the power of reading. We always are happy to have volunteers! If you have some time to help us conduct the book fair, please register [online](#), or contact Jennifer Ingraham at jeniferi@comcast.net.



PTA Connection

PTA Meeting Recap:

- Ms. Barten will be scheduling a FABULOUS music assembly for K-8 this year, PTA was happy to support our wonderful music program.
- The 6th grade class is setting up their upcoming Mural Project on 11/2 and PTA is happy to support the additional supplies to make the event a success.
- Nicole Anderson has fabulous Family Nigh Out events in the works, some coming up include:
- Piccolo Mondo Toys (Bethany Village and Progress Ridge) will give 15% of toys sales November 12-17 back to Skyline School. <https://www.piccolomondotoys.com>
- Dream Dinners Beaverton will host sessions for Skyline folks Saturday, November 4 at noon and Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30pm. More details to come next week. Dream Dinners is a meal plan service where you assemble all of the ingredients in their shop. It's fun and easy and really helps with weeknight dinner craziness. https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?static=how_it_works
- Holiday Pop-Up Shops (see below)
- Scholastic Book Fair is quickly approaching, conference week!

PTA Costume Sale in FULL SWING!

--All costumes on sale for just **\$1.00**. Whaaat?! You read it right, folks! DEALS. GALORE.

--Sale run on the **Honor System**. Grab costume(s), do the math, and place money in the jar located just inside the office window. Pay by cash or check (payable to "Skyline PTA").

--Feeling generous? **Donations of any amount ALWAYS accepted and appreciated.**

--Sale runs from 10/16 - 11/2. All costumes not sold will be donated to Goodwill.

--All proceeds benefit Skyline's PTA.

Questions? Contact Clarissa Kearns, email: gentebeleza@hotmail.com

Mrs. Field's Cookie Dough Fundraiser - Oct. 20- Nov. 2

Order your cookie dough while supporting Skyline PTA and getting ready for the holidays with fresh baked goods.

All proceeds from the sale will go to the direct PTA fund which supports: field trips, classroom teacher funds, scholarships, special events and more.

Look for your packets being sent home with students.

Questions ?

Ask Diana

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Family Night Out Events in November

Hi Skyline Families,

Please support the Skyline PTA & Foundation by participating in our November Family Night Out events. All of the information is below. If you have questions, let me know at nicoleoanderson@gmail.com.

Thanks! Nicole Anderson

Dream Dinners Beaverton

Dream Dinners will host special meal prep sessions for Skyline folks in November. Their offer is pretty awesome: you assemble three 3-serving meals for \$34.99 (nine total servings) and they will donate \$10 from each session to Skyline!

After reserving your session and purchasing this offer ahead of time online, you simply show up and they have everything ready to assemble. Their very helpful staff walks you through the process. No clean up or ingredients wasted. Meals come home with you ready to pop in the freezer or fridge. Once thawed, most meals are completely cooked in 20-40 minutes. This offer is good for both new and existing Dream Dinners customers!

Choose either Saturday, November 4 at noon and Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30pm. Links are below to sign up. If these sessions fill, they will gladly make more for us. RSVPs are required.

[DREAM DINNERS FUNDRAISING EVENT ON 11/4/17 AT 12:00 PM](https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=730565)

https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=730565

[DREAM DINNERS FUNDRAISING EVENT ON 11/8/17 AT 6:30 PM](https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=730566)

https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?page=rsvp_fundraiser&sid=730566

Questions about Dream Dinners? https://dreamdinners.com/main.php?static=how_it_works.

Piccolo Mondo Toys

Skyline School Holiday Shopping Fundraiser

Who doesn't love shopping for great toys? Please join us at Piccolo Mondo Toys, a locally owned toy store for a holiday school fundraiser.

DATES: Sunday November 12th-Friday November 17th 2017

TIME: 9:30am-7:00pm

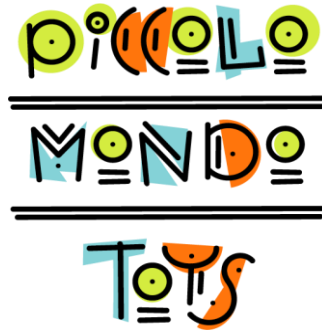
WHAT: 15% of your total purchase amount will be donated to Skyline

WHERE: Piccolo Mondo Toys in Bethany Village, [4768 NW Bethany Blvd. Portland, OR](#)

- If you would like to get some ideas, visit their website at www.piccolomondotoys.com.

- Family and friends who are unable to attend the event can also call in orders during the week at 866-578-TOYS.
- Piccolo Mondo normally tracks and gives a \$10 reward for every \$200 purchase to their customers; but on this week all customer credit goes toward Skyline.
- Due to the 15% donation, coupons and special prices/offers will not be accepted during this event. Please come support our school and a locally owned family business!

(Piccolo Mondo asked me to use their specific text. I want to add that their staff is really fantastic and always has great gift suggestions. And they gift wrap for FREE!! No flyer needed to shop -- they will ask at checkout if you are supporting a school)



Holiday Pop-Up Shops- Saturday, December 2

We are so happy to host our 2nd annual Holiday Pop-Up Shops Saturday, December 2nd. We currently have 18 vendors ready to join our fabulous event and would love to add more to the day.

If YOU or someone you know has anything they'd like to sell at the event, please complete the Vendor Form and payment to ensure we have a spot reserved for you. Vendor fees and raffle ticket sales go directly toward providing fresh food for our in-house Food Backpack Program.

We have wonderful vendors selling: wine, hot sauce, soap, handmade cards, photos, women's clothing & accessories, honey & beeswax candles, handmade jewelry, beauty products and more! Save the date and join us for all your holiday shopping needs!

Vendor information can be found here to register: <https://goo.gl/forms/qVWrtcpNXp7CsxM62>

The vendor fee is \$20 + a donated item for our raffle if you are able to. The fee and money raised from our raffle go toward supporting our in-house Food Backpack Program. Please share this information with friends if they are interested in joining. You can learn more about our event last year here:

<https://skylineschoolpta.com/vendors/>

Do you have a passion for connecting kids to ART?

We are seeking an individual with a passion to connecting kids to art for the 2017-2018 Reflections Program. The Reflections Program is a National PTA program that connects students with arts.

During the 2017-18 school year, hundreds of thousands of students will reflect on a common theme "**Within Reach**" and create original works of art in the categories of dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography and visual arts. Students may enter the national awards program through their school's PTA.

The arts—and the National PTA Reflections program—support student success and serve as a valuable tool for building strong partnerships in your school community. Celebrate arts learning in your school community with Reflections.

Our school chair would share details about the Reflections Program, encourage students and families to participate and submit any projects for the event. The chair for this event does NOT have to facilitate any art. The projects should be completed at HOME. This individual would be a liaison between our school and PTA Reflections Department.

We had several students that won awards last year and recognized at the PTA convention. You can learn more about the program here:

<https://www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections>

Please contact me if you are interested.

Cosette Posko

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Fred Meyer Rewards ~ FREE MONEY

This is another installment of, "How Can We Earn Free Money?" **How many of you shop at Fred Meyer?**

If you shop at Fred Meyer I'm sure you're all getting your gas reward points + quarterly coupon, am I right? Well, guess what, what if I told you, you could keep ALL those awesome benefits and ALSO give back to our school?!?!? We currently have 8 families signed up for Fred Meyer Rewards....8! Seriously! I almost don't want to say that out loud, I think saying we have no families signed up because they didn't know about it would be better! So, how can you make magic happen? You're going to go to:

<https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-4>

Sign-in if you already have an account, or create one (I promise this will be the only time you'll have to do this). Once prompted, you'll enter our group # **94079** and BAM, you're done! Every time you shop + scan your rewards card, you'll not only earn gas rewards + bonus points for yourself but also \$\$\$\$ for our school! How easy was that?!? Okay, now go copy + paste this on your personal social media page so your friends and family can do it too!

Real Estate Kickback

Just like our family night out events, we have a local Real Estate Agent that is also a parent at our school that offers a kickback to our PTA with each house sale. For every family who buys or sells a home with Kristin Rader OR refers her to a family, friends or colleagues who work with Kristin, \$100 is donated to the Skyline PTA when the sale closes. Please contact Kristin Rader with any questions.

kristin@kristinrader.com

Save the Date! Skyline Auction March 10, 2018!

Hello New Families!! Have you heard that Skyline has some of the most exciting and interesting parties? We call them Community Parties (we sell spots during our annual auction). We currently have some spots open that we would like to extend to NEW families first. This is a great opportunity for you to meet other families and make some wonderful friends. And at NO cost! That's right, a spot at our BUNCO tables for FREE! And if we can't fill the spots with new families, then we will open those to current/returning families. So, if you're new or

know someone that is new and would like a spot or more info, email us. Also current families: we will start a wait list.

Late Opening Breakfast Donations

Once again this year, we want to show our appreciation year round to our Skyline staff. One way we do this is to provide breakfast for the staff on Late Opening Wednesdays. You can choose a morning on the attached SignUpGenius, and get a classroom of parents to help you, or a club or soccer team, or scouts group, etc. to sponsor the breakfast. It can be as simple as coffee, fruit and donuts or as elaborate as waffles made fresh on site (Yes - someone did that last year!!) - It is really up to you, no right or wrong.

Thanks in advance for your help and participation!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094aacac29a46-late>