



# Richmond Shinbun

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## Important Dates

Feb 10 – Lottery Opens  
 Feb 10 – Report cards go home in backpacks  
 Feb 14 – Poet Eric Ode assembly  
 Feb 20 – No School (holiday)  
 Feb 21 – Site Council  
 Feb 21 – Mandatory Meeting 7pm for new parents  
 Feb 29 – Health Screenings  
 Mar 5 – Mandatory Meeting 7:00 pm for new parents  
 Mar 9 – Lottery Closes  
 Mar 16 – 22 Book Fair  
 Mar 20 – Laurelwood Restaurant Fundraiser  
 Mar 21 – Late Start 10 a.m.  
 Mar 26-30 – Spring Break  
 April 16 – Switch Day

## Principal's News



Daffodils, tulips, poetry author visiting and state funding news are all on their way. The flowers will be welcome signs of spring. Author Eric Ode will be here on February 14th to do two assemblies to kick off our school-wide poetry event.

April will be poetry month where everyone at Richmond will post a poem in the hallway. Mr. Ode's books are for sale in the front hall.

The not-so-good sign of spring is the state budget forecast. We are being told to expect a \$28 million cut in the PPS budget next year. This equals 300 staff positions or 18 fewer days of school or some other cuts. Please give your staffing input on the attached survey. Also, the Richmond Foundation, who is in charge of raising funds for staffing needs, is getting ready for the Spring Pledge Drive. Your donation will be very crucial in continuing the success of the Richmond programs such as PE, library and other staff.

Happy Spring!

Bev Pruitt, Principal

## THE 2012-2013 LOTTERY CYCLE HAS BEGUN!

There are **2 ½ easy steps** for incoming Pre-K & Kindergarten siblings and new applicants to enter the lottery.

- 1 – **New siblings and lottery applicants need to be registered online between Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – Mar 9<sup>th</sup> at:**  
[http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools-c/make\\_a\\_choice.php](http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools-c/make_a_choice.php)
- 2 – **New siblings and lottery applicants need to sign the Richmond Statement of Understanding form and turn it into the office by March 9<sup>th</sup>. The form is available at the office, at the Mandatory Meeting Feb 21<sup>st</sup> or March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the cafeteria, or in the current Pre-K student's backpacks.**
- 2 ½ – **NEW Prospective parents need to attend ONE (1) Mandatory Meeting on either Feb 21<sup>st</sup> or March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the cafeteria. Parents/Guardians of currently enrolled students are not required to attend the meeting.**

**CALL ENROLLMENT & TRANSFER 503-916-3205 WITH ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE LOTTERY OR REGISTRATION.**



## Thank YOU!

We love our coffee and our Rich Coffee Team. And, sadly a few names were left off of our thank you list last month...our apologies!

Thank you to:

Members since 2008

- Sachiko Nishikido
- Etsuko Austin
- Katharina Cahen
- Yoko Sato

Members since 2011

- Kayoko Ross,  
Chair since March 2011
- Shannon Bromenschenkel
- Peter Bilotta
- Sumika Calaba
- Kikuyo Jurgens
- Yoko Niki-Breyfogle
- Robbie Treblehorn

Thank you also to all of our other Rich Coffee Friends who help at events and go shopping for the Rich Coffee Team!

## Project Second Wind

Student Council will be sponsoring Project Second Wind, the Oregon Food Bank's annual food drive, the week of March 5<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>.

We will have an assembly on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> to rally the students. Students are asked to bring donations that are non-perishable food items in non-breakable

containers. No glass please. Food will be collected in the classrooms that week.

Last year we doubled our goal, and this year we are looking forward to another successful food drive!

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A huge thank you to our school counselor, Mary Megivern, who

does a fabulous job with our student council and our entire student body of 659 each and every day.

National School Counseling Week is February 6 – 10<sup>th</sup>. Take the time if you see our busy counselor to say hello and thank you to her this week!

## Oya No Kai – Summer Kurabu Camp

Kurabu is a Japanese summer day camp for children who are entering kindergarten through fifth grade in the fall of 2012 and are currently in a Japanese immersion program or who speak Japanese at home. Kurabu will be held at Mt. Tabor again this year. Hours are 9- 3:00 p.m. Look for registration forms in March. Session dates:

Session 1: June 25-June 29;      Session 2: July 2-July 6 (four days);  
Session 3: July 9-July 13;      Session 4: July 16-July 2

**Richmond has a temporary Clerk I position open for pay through 6/21/12.**

**Position summary:** The Clerk I is responsible for general office duties including entering and verifying data along with the development of various analyses and reports; assisting with classroom tasks and routines.


**Summary of Duties/responsibilities:** Collects, maintains, corrects and/or deletes records, reports, files and other statistical data with (and without) system data entry and retrieval equipment, checking for accuracy and maintaining confidentiality. Originates and types correspondence. May assist with classroom tasks as directed by teacher. Minimum qualifications: High school diploma or G.E.D. Typing skill of 45 wpm. Ability to understand the workflow and interaction with other departments. Demonstrated ability to exercise careful judgment, diplomacy and tact in the performance of duties. Proficient with eSIS and 1st aid trained preferred (or willing to be trained). Ability to assist with classrooms tasks and routine as directed by the teacher.

Submit a resume to the Richmond office if interested as soon as possible.

## Student News – Monthly Assemblies

We will be having monthly assemblies at Richmond for the remainder of the year. Each classroom teacher recognizes four or five students each month for some accomplishment or amazing behavior in the classroom. Listed below are January's Students of Recognition.

The word of the month for February is "kindness".

<p>Kinder – Amy &amp; Jill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Avery Hughes-Davis</li> <li>Kellie Shiozawa</li> <li>Marina Albor</li> <li>Max Lowenthal</li> <li>Norah Nakaji</li> <li>Adelle Early</li> <li>Hillary Kuhns</li> <li>Jacob Haldors</li> <li>Luc Hertling</li> <li>Sofia Whang</li> </ul>	<p>Kinder – Kelly &amp; Reiko</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Charlie Kapranos</li> <li>Elias Beatty</li> <li>Elizabeth Connors</li> <li>Iris Doyle</li> <li>Ben Kaplan</li> <li>Will Kaplan</li> <li>Lea Yonago</li> <li>Stella Seaholt</li> </ul>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> grade – Murphy/Mishina</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anna Gates</li> <li>Ella Forness</li> <li>Liam Yanosy</li> <li>Leo Tomashek</li> <li>Liam Thompson</li> <li>Olivia Yilmaz</li> <li>Matilda Weir</li> <li>Sofie DeLuca</li> </ul>
<p>1<sup>st</sup> grade – Meier/ Uchida</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adiv Golden</li> <li>Sophie Kelten</li> <li>Emmett McGee</li> <li>Scarlett Sonstein</li> <li>Ella Spokes</li> <li>Luca Brennan</li> <li>Noah Gregie</li> <li>Maia Gregor</li> <li>Elena Williams</li> </ul>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Denlinger/ Mogi</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Katie Barton</li> <li>Brena Dorsey</li> <li>Cedric Grutbo</li> <li>Bea Cardenas</li> <li>Dominic Gefroh</li> <li>Minami Powers</li> </ul>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Kapranos/Scheiman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ian Baer</li> <li>Harland Leibenguth</li> <li>Leilani McMurray</li> <li>Olivia Prime</li> <li>Gracine Siegel</li> <li>Ada Brown</li> <li>Olivia Grether</li> <li>Kai Tani</li> <li>Xander Trostel-Shaw</li> <li>Leo Wheelock</li> </ul>
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Schulz/Nagakura</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chase Travis</li> <li>Henry Backus</li> <li>Tommi Meyer</li> <li>Ayame McCarthy</li> <li>Kyle Jones</li> <li>Madeleine Wheelock</li> <li>Esme Zehava</li> </ul>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Martin/Hirahara</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kyra Aramori</li> <li>Narayana Gifford</li> <li>Reed Lando</li> <li>Rogue Stone</li> <li>Samuel Bacon-Brenes</li> <li>Hazuki Bacon</li> <li>Saira Hernandez-Ishikawa</li> <li>Kai Kiyokawa</li> </ul>	<p>4<sup>th</sup> grade – Jacobson/ Kamata</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keita Bacon</li> <li>Peter Gefroh</li> <li>Megumi Hoff</li> <li>Chloe Moehling</li> <li>Kiaun Smith</li> </ul>
<p>4/5<sup>th</sup> grade– Kitazawa/ Aubrecht</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amelia Ernst</li> <li>Ethan Hopper</li> <li>Mari Kaplan</li> <li>Kaiya Laguardia</li> <li>Blayke Solomon</li> <li>Miya Gibson</li> <li>Crimson Ravarra</li> <li>Tyla Austin</li> <li>Marina Holder</li> <li>Adam Pua</li> </ul>	<p>5<sup>th</sup> grade - Ando/ Kapranos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leo Oudomphong</li> <li>Kai Roy</li> <li>Luke Wilson</li> <li>Shinoa Greenfield</li> <li>Aya Boutwell</li> <li>Tyler Hutson-Lytle</li> <li>Hixon Dorsett</li> <li>Matt Ansley</li> <li>Tommy Wagemann</li> <li>Esme Peters</li> <li>Annie Van Valkenburgh</li> <li>Annie Burt</li> </ul>	<p>And a special note of congratulations to Eleanor Zaerr whose name was left off last month!</p> 



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## Battle of Books

### Richmond Battle of the Books Update:

Battle of the Books competition is taking place this week in the library from 10-11AM. This year we have twelve teams competing in grades 3-5. The top six teams will advance to the Richmond finals bracket competition, which begins on February 21, 2012 at 10 :00 a.m. All parents are welcome to attend, so please come and cheer on your favorite teams!

-Bryan Smith, Librarian



## Health Screenings

Richmond will be holding the annual health screenings on Wednesday, February 29th.

Students in Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be tested for hearing, vision and dental.

Oregon law says that vision and hearing screenings shall be done to help find children's health problems. The nurse oversees these screenings.

If you do not want your child included in these screenings, you must submit a written request to the school each school year. Screening results for dental, hearing and vision are all sent home to parents.

### Richmond's Mission

Our mission is to provide an excellent education for our students while developing and maintaining fluency in both the Japanese and English languages.

### Richmond's Vision

Richmond Elementary School will be the best Japanese immersion school in the world by all measures of success.

