



RICHMOND SHINBUN

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November Events

NOV. 27-28 – No School
(Thanksgiving Break)

December Events

DEC. 17 – Late Opening

DEC. 22 – Winter Break

January Events

JAN. 5 – School Starts

JAN. 19 – No School (MLK, Jr. Day)

JAN. 21 – Late Opening

JAN. 30 – No School for Students
(Teacher Planning Day)

Safety Meeting – Our Next Safety Meeting is December 2nd at 7:30 a.m.

Safety Drills - Our earthquake drill on Thursday, October 16th was a big success. Students first took cover underneath tables and desks, and then we evacuated the building in an orderly manner. We will be practicing a lockdown drill during November and will have earthquake and lockdown drills again in the spring

APPRECIATION

Parent Teacher Conferences

A huge thank you to PTA and all of the volunteers that brought food, tidied up the Staff Room, and supported teachers through the conferences so teachers could meet with each and every family.

“Principal for Almost a Day”

Thank you to Consuelo Saragoza who was our principal for the day on Thursday, October 23rd. Consuelo had a wonderful visit and learned about all of the goings on at Richmond. Four other school districts also participated in “Principal for Almost a Day.”



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scholastic Book Fair

Scholastic Book Fair will run from Monday, December 8th – Friday, December 12th. We will be open before school (7:30-8:30 a.m.) and after school (2:00-3:30 p.m.), as well as during the Craft Fair (6:30-8:30 p.m.). This is a great time to think about holiday gifts for everyone on your list, especially your child's teacher! Look for the Teacher Wish List table at the book fair. All proceeds from the book fair go to the Library. Last year, the Library was able to buy comfortable cushions for students to use and over \$1500 in books with the proceeds! We could not do this without your help. Please consider volunteering. We'll be sending an email soon containing our SignUp Genius link. Contact Angie Pineo at angiepineo@gmail.com or Yumi Wong at yumiwong@gmail.com. Thank you!

Craft Fair

Richmond's annual PTA Craft Fair is on December 12th from 6-9 p.m. At the fair, there will be crafts in the Cafeteria including cookie decorating and other holiday-themed projects. Kinokuniya Bookstore will be in the Gym for the Japanese Book Fair and the Scholastic Book Fair will be in the library.



Richmond Foundation

Hello Wonderful Richmond Families!

The Richmond School Foundation wishes to thank you for another generous outpouring of your support for our school with the combined success of our 2014 Fall Fundraising Campaign! Together, we raised over \$25,000! Every class and grade participated well and made for another great campaign. The challenge to get every family contributing was not realized, but it still was a great turn-out.

- The class award for most participation goes to Gaynor/ Rivera - Congratulations 1st Graders!!
- The class award for most funds raised goes to Loveland/ Tomita!!! Congratulations 5th Graders!!!
- Martin/ Kamata's 4th Grade class was a close second! Congratulations 4th Graders!
- Ando/ Aubrecht was the third place finisher making the combined contribution by the 5th Grade the most ever during a RSF campaign and deserves a Super Special Thank You to all of the 5th Grade families!

Contributions keep flowing into our blue mailbox next to the office, and that is always welcome. We are still working to get all of those awesome Swimmys hung up in our hallways. With the campaign officially over, there are still many ways to continue support for the RSF that include fabulous dining opportunities coming up at Equinox, located at 830 N Shaver, on Saturday, November 22, from 9:00 am to 2:00 p.m. and at Pizzicato, located at 6042 SE Division, on Tuesday, December 16, (the night before late opening). Pizzicato will be offering an opportunity to order half-baked pizzas delivered to the school at 2:15 p.m. dismissal as well as for regular dining in or take-out at their restaurant. A percentage of the proceeds will be donated by each of these restaurants on these dates, so take advantage of this and enjoy some delicious food while supporting the Foundation. Plus, a special event is upcoming on December 14th with the second annual "Small Glasses, Big Hearts" RSF Beer Tasting on a Sunday Evening, being hosted by The Commons Brewery. Advanced tickets for this event will be required and only 50 tickets are available. To reserve your spot, please email RichmondSchoolFoundation@gmail.com and let us know how many tickets you want. There will be flyers posted soon regarding all of these events.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Together we can do it! Issho Ni Ganbarou!

THIS FALL AND UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

Conferences

Teachers and parents were raving about how good it was to meet and discuss your children.

Harvest Festival, Apple Sale, & Gift Wrap Sale

All events were a big success! Thank you PTA. Kate Fleming and Rebecca Melcher were Harvest Festival co-coordinators, Shannon Bromenschenkel & Kara Coffey did the gift wrap sale, and Michelle Stultz-Bruggeman coordinated the apple sale. Thank you!

Rich Coffee

Emi Avondstondt, Yoko Breyfogle, Sumika Calaba, Shannon Bromenschenkel, Kirstin Yamakawa, Andrea Obana, Yuko Kesic, Akiko Ishida, Greg Byrd, Kara Coffey, and Laurant Avondstondt are the wonderful parents who make our coffee each morning. They are the best!

Late Openings

There is no late opening in November. The next late opening is December 17th.



Switch Day

First quarter switch day was November 12th. Your child started in his or her opposite teacher's classroom for the new quarter. If your child started with English in the morning during first quarter, then she or he now has Japanese during the morning for second quarter or vice versa.

Winter Break

Friday, December 19th is the last day of school before winter break. Monday, January 5th is the first day of the third quarter and is also switch day.



COMMUNICATION

Thank you to the parents who filled out the Optional Parent Survey at conferences. We appreciate your input! In the Suggestions/Comments section, some individuals were asking where to get communications from the school. Below are some ways in which the school communicates with families:

- Richmond Elementary School website:
<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/richmond/>
- School newsletter (*Richmond Shinbun*) goes home the second week of the month and is posted on the above website.
- Big Tent is a listserv for parent messages. Please sign up at:
<https://www.bigtent.com/groups/richmondjmp>
- First contact via a note or phone call with concerns should go to the classroom teachers. Unresolved issues can be discussed with the office by calling for an appointment.
- PTA, ONK, and Foundation all send information home with the *Richmond Shinbun*. Additionally, each parent organization has its own website:
 - <http://www.richmondptapdx.com/>
 - <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/richmond/222.htm>
 - <http://oyanokai.org/>
- The red Richmond Parent and Student Handbook & Calendar lists all events and school policies. The handbook went home on the first day of school. Please stop by the office if you need a copy.

TECHNOLOGY

This spring, students will be taking the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA). Beyond learning key content in reading and math, students are expected to know some basic computer skills to be able to complete the reading, math, and computer adaptive portions of the assessment. Below are links to computer skills that students are expected to know as well as suggested activities for learning these skills. Third, fourth, and fifth grade teachers are working with their students on these skills and are using the below checklists and activities to support their students.

SBA Technology Skills

<http://www.sfusd.edu/en/assets/sfusd-staff/curriculum-and-standards/files/assessment-office/Parent%20Handouts/SBAC%20EdTech%20Resources.pdf>

Common Core and SBA Technology Skills

http://www.lbschools.net/Main_Offices/Curriculum/Areas/Technology/docs/Common_Core/CCSS%20K-12%20Technology%20Scope%20and%20Sequence.pdf

SBA Checklist

http://www.middletownschools.org/uploaded/Curriculum/Educational_Technology/SBACTech/SBAC_Tech_Skills_Checklist.pdf

Grades 3-4 Activities

<http://www.middletownschools.org/page.cfm?p=9968>

Grades 5-6 Activities

<http://www.middletownschools.org/page.cfm?p=9969>

Grades 3-5 Activities

http://www.lbschools.net/Main_Offices/Curriculum/Areas/Technology/curriculum_docs1MouseSkills.cfm

Student Recognition

The following primary grade students were recognized this month at our student recognition assembly for displaying confidence:

Kindergarten

Amy Sensei/Jill Sensei - Olivia Spencer • Sora Postlewait • Sadira Belmont • Stara Sigstad

Yoshida Sensei/Kelly Sensei - Flynn Brimberry • Silas Irwin • Viveca Dahlin • Calvin Schroeder • Elah Rutzick • Kai Adegawa Grigonis

First Grade

Uchida/Meier - Ben Norene • Henry Wines • Anna Winkle • Tessa Green • Arinze McGee • Kael Uyeda

Rivera/Gaynor - Sabine Pineo • Lio Lemoine • Hayden Jaacks • Miles Gray • Ruby Hanson • Leon Hontani

Second Grade

Scheiman/Welle - Issa Ono • Ty Holt • Elsa Warner • Phoenix Martin

Mogi/Denlinger - Paige Nakada • Alex Setera

Student Recognition

The following intermediate grade students were recognized this month at our student recognition assembly for being confident and showing kindness to others:

Third Grade

Hirahara/Kiggen - Benson Deibele • Will Kaplan • Nesta Quigley • Kentaro Shimada • Kaya Zuch • Elias Beatty • Juliet Hanson • Linna Hopper • Victoria Naung • Raymond Shaw

Fujiwara/Gross - Aidan Wood • Arianna Oshima-Monroe • Ben Talmadge • Declan Bilotta • Eliza Robinson • Hillary Kuhns • Lea Yonago • Leila Matsumura • Maia Lippay • Quinn Kohles-Yamada • Uta Rollin

Fourth Grade

Kamata/Martin - Arianne McCashew • Matilda Weir • Athena Wooters • Jackson Strickland • Natalie Jones • Rebecca Calaba • Sten Brakstad • Maia Gutmann

Kapranos/Kitazawa - Gabe Adams • Luca Brennan • Erika Holder • Lola Sasnett • Jake Burnett • Ed Kott • Emi Leffel • Nola Vigna

Fifth Grade

Ando/Aubrecht - Katie Barton • Miles Hartmann • Grace Heriford • Brennan O'Brien • Nanako Shindo-Chu • Adelaide Brown • Seamus Holland • Madeline Thyken • Iris Wolfe

Tomita/Loveland - Koji Kubo • Cooper McCombs • Gracine Siegel • Olivia Grether • Rowen Hutson-Lytle • Ethan Block • Sadie Griffin • Mia Lowenthal • Pierson Manome • Mitchel Munzing

During our October recognition assembly, one primary and one intermediate class received an award for each special for following directions, being engaged, showing interest, etc.

Class Awards

Art	Music	Library	PE
Mrs. Gaynor	Uchida Sensei	Amy Sensei	Ms. Meier
Tomita Sensei	Kamata Sensei	Mr. Aubrecht	Mr. Aubrecht

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