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October Events

- 10** – No school (state in-service)
- 15** – Late Opening
- 29** – No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences
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November Events

- 10** – No School (Teacher Planning Day)
- 12** – No School (Veteran's Day)
- 27** – No School - Thanksgiving Break
- 28** – No School - Thanksgiving Break

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Site Council Meetings

Site Council meeting will be held quarterly on the third Tuesday of that month. The dates for the Site Council meetings are 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. on three different Tuesdays over the year – October 20th, January 20th, & April 21st. We are looking for one more parent to serve on Site Council. If you are interested, please contact Dave Allen – dallen@pps.net

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/teacher conferences are the last week of October. Conference schedules have been posted by the teachers' doors since Back-to-School Night. During the parent/teacher conference, teachers will review your child's progress, answer your questions, and confirm with you that your child's needs are being met academically and socially. Teachers meet together for a total of about 50+ conferences which is double the amount for most PPS teachers. Since our teachers spend additional time already doing conferences, there are no make-up conferences or early conferences. The only exception for parents not making their conferences is a medical emergency. Each child is allowed one conference time. Report cards or written reports will be distributed during the school year beginning in mid-November, early February, mid-April, and at the end of the school year. Thank you for understanding and for supporting our hard-working teachers! Your children are amazing!

Portland Public Schools does not require multiple conferences to be held for one student. We also do not enforce court orders. That is not our role. We will not interpret who should be present at the conference and who may not. Parents need to contact their attorney and work out with him or her who shall attend their child's conference. We will provide copies of items shared at the conference with any parent who does not attend the conference. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

IT IS TIME FOR THE RICHMOND SCHOOL FOUNDATION FALL FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN!

From October 13th through the 28th, the Foundation will be staffing tables next to the main office and in the cafeteria (and at the PTA Harvest Festival, too!) to receive your generous tax-deductible donations that go directly to supporting the teachers and staff at Richmond School. We will be running our FISH Program (Faculty, Intern, and Staff Honors) again this Fall, so it's a great opportunity for your child to display the appreciation they have for their teachers and staff that make Richmond School one of the best public education institutions in the State of Oregon. Any contribution is welcomed, so please donate what you can. We will be sending a letter and contribution form home with your child next week. To learn more about this important event, please stop by our tables during the campaign. Thank you - Richmond School Foundation (RSF). Together we can do it! Issho Ni Ganbarou! Arigato gozaimasu.



Safety First!

In keeping every student and staff member safe at Richmond, during this school year we will be carrying out some state-mandated safety drills. We will be conducting two lockdown drills, two earthquake drills, and a monthly fire drill. During the month of October we will be practicing our first earthquake drill, and in November we will practice our first lockdown drill. We will practice both drills again in the spring. Please refer to page 9 in the Parent and Student Handbook for more information about the safety drills. In addition to the earthquake, lockdown and fire drills this year, students have also practiced how to leave the school bus safely, and teachers received training on use of EpiPen and severe allergic reactions.

Before and After School

Just a reminder that all children need to have an adult supervising them on the playground as mandated under Oregon State law. If an incident occurs, you must approach that child’s parent or guardian. There is no before-or after-school supervision. If a student is present in the school, then he or she needs to be accompanied by an adult.

Safety Meeting – Our Next Safety Meeting is November 4th at 7:30 a.m.

Curriculum Corner

To learn more about how to support your child in math involving Common Core expectations, the following roadmaps provide specific grade-level examples:

<http://www.cgcs.org/Page/366>

To learn more about how to support your child in English language arts involving Common Core expectations, the following roadmaps provide specific grade-level examples:

<http://www.cgcs.org/Page/330>

To get advice and ideas on how to support your child with *Bridges* math, please visit:

<http://bridges1.mathlearningcenter.org/resources/materials/parents>



Student Recognition

The following primary grade students were recognized this month at our student recognition assembly for showing kindness to others:

Kindergarten

Amy Sensei/Jill Sensei

Colin Moehling • Luka Wilson • Nia Tetsuka, Karin Hieggelke • Oliver Mitchell • Sophia Carey

Yoshida Sensei/Kelly Sensei

Kai Waldram • Marcus McMillen • Soriah Vanderhoof • Quinn Marcoux • Siobhan Marcoux • Willa Driscoll

First Grade

Uchida/Meier

Sam Burnett • Ryuki Ido • Mika Winner • River Begley • Orion Souders • Anna Toyoda

Rivera/Gaynor

Eli Sandgathe • Ruby Barmon • Kai Yonago • Koko Oshima-Monroe • Stella Bolick • Colin Brennan

Second Grade

Scheiman/Krapanos

Evie Goldberg • Maddy Ivy • Flynn Michell • Milo Rengert • Claire Coffey • Keiden Meyer • Eamonn Murphy • Siana Yanosy

Mogi/Denlinger

Waverly Davidson • Quinten O’Shaughnessy • Ainslie Wood • Kiyoshi Kiyokawa • Maya Otsuka • Caden Rice



Upcoming PTA Events

Oct 11: Breakfast in the Garden 9:00-11:30 a.m.

<http://www.richmondptapdx.com/?p=687>

Join us any time between 9 a.m. and noon for coffee drinking, pastry eating, weed pulling, bark chip spreading, and other fun activities.

Oct 16: PTA Clothing Center Volunteering 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

<http://www.richmondptapdx.com/?p=705>

Give back to the community by volunteering your time to help provide clothes to PPS kids needing essential items for the school year.

Oct 18: Harvest Festival and Costume Parade 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

<http://www.richmondptapdx.com/?p=693>

The event of the season!!! Join us for the costume parade and square dance, taiko drumming, bake sale, pumpkin donuts on a string, pear cider, onigiri and miso soup, veggie bowling, bike rodeo, bike raffle, oni mask making, Bats, Bugs and Bones haunted garden, among many other crafts and games. The costume parade is at noon.

Oct 22: Apples Order Delivered

<http://www.richmondptapdx.com/category/fundraisers/>

Oct 29-31: Teacher Conferences Potluck

<http://www.richmondptapdx.com/?p=723>

Calling all cooks! Every year, the PTA hosts potluck lunches and dinners for our amazing Richmond teachers and staff who work extra hours at our school during Parent-Teacher Conferences. Watch for sign-up sheets outside the front office.



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TAG Information Night

Please come to the Richmond TAG Information Meeting on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 from 6:30 -7:30 p.m. in the Library. Parents of TAG students and those who want to learn more about TAG are welcome to attend!

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Volunteer Opportunities

Student Council Parent Advisor: Work with Ms. Sterry to help coordinate school-wide service projects and assist with Student Council projects. You don't have to have a child in Student Council but must be available for some Wednesdays from 11:30-12:15.

Student Store: Looking for more parents and students to volunteer to work shifts at the store on Tuesdays or Thursdays! Must be able to commit to one or two mornings a month from 7:30-8:00 a.m. Students grades 3-5 are welcome.

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Passport Club

The Passport Club offers students a fun, structured way to learn more about the wonderful world we live in. Students who participate have an opportunity to learn up to 200 countries over the course of the school year. Each student receives a passport, a monthly study map, and can choose an individual level of study. The Passport Club is meant for home study. Students will receive their study materials at school and will bring them home. To learn more about the program, please visit the Passport Club website: <http://www.Passportclubonline.com>.

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