



Richmond Shinbun

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Bev Pruitt Principal

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Jan. 18 MLK, Jr. Day (No School)
- Jan. 20 Late Opening
- Jan. 25 Teacher Planning Day (No School for Students)
- Jan. 27 Community Meeting for Principal Selection
- Jan. 29 Battle of the Books
- Feb 1-5 Battle of the Books
- Feb. 5 Principals' Coffee
- Feb. 5-12 Sumaura Elementary Visit
- Feb. 15 Presidents' Day (No School)
- Feb 16-19 Battle of the Books

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Safety Meeting: Our next safety meeting is Wednesday, February 3rd at 7:30 a.m.

New Parent Mandatory Meeting: Tuesday, February 3, 2016 from 6-7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

PTA General Meeting: Wednesday, February 17, 2016 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

New Parent Mandatory Meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2016 from 6 - 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Principal's News

Dear Richmond Staff and Community,

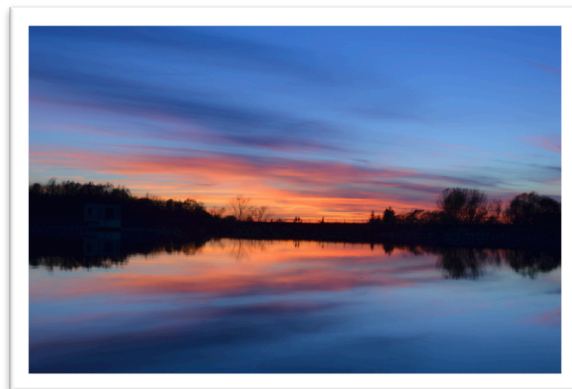
Richmond K-5 will have a new principal next year. We want to invite staff, parents, and students to attend a Community Meeting to understand the process for selection of next year's principal and to get your ideas and input; they are important!

Community Meeting for Selection of Next Year's Principal

Date: Wednesday, January 27th, 2016 Time: 6:30-8 p.m. Location: Richmond Cafeteria

The community meeting is one of the first steps taken in our principal hiring process. John Blanck from Human Resources and Paula McCullough, your Senior Director, will come to your school and meet with teachers and parents together. The purpose of the meeting is to hear what you think is special about your school. We want to know about your programs, demographics, parent involvement, special projects, etc., and about the type of person you would like to have as your permanent principal. This information helps us select candidates that have qualifications that support those elements.

At the meeting we will also take time to explain the full hiring process. We will explain two main possibilities: a) how the Community Meeting information may be used with the Senior Director to place a current principal because of a great match between the school and that principal, or b) if a match is not selected by the Senior Director, applicants chosen will go through a rigorous process to be selected for interviews. If you cannot attend that evening, I will have other ways to provide information (online and paper surveys, emails, etc.). If you have questions, please feel free to contact me – Ann Marie Wentworth – awentworth@pps.net - 503-916-3818.

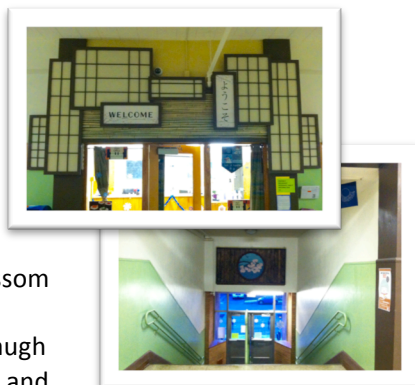


Lottery

The 2016-2017 lottery cycle begins February 18th and goes until March 9th. Parents of prospective students new to Richmond need to attend one Philosophy Night either on **February 3rd** or **March 1st** at **6 p.m.** in the cafeteria. (No registration is necessary for the Philosophy Night.) Current parents can pick up an enrollment packet in the office beginning February 3rd, however, parents cannot register online until the lottery begins on February 18th.

Richmond Front Entrance

During winter break, more work was done in the main lobby area with the addition of welcome signs in English and Japanese as well as new “artwork” hanging inside the front entrance. A huge “Thank You” to Greg Byrd for all of his hard work in creating the frames hanging above the office door as well as the cherry blossom piece hanging above the front entrance. Also, a big “Thank You” to Qiana Rickabaugh Rich for her design of the front entrance and her help in finishing up the project. Thank you to everyone else who helped to make our school even more welcoming and full of community spirit.



Thank You to Our Volunteers!

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out with the intern pizza party before winter break in covering recess and lunch duty. Thank you to Sachiko Quinn, Lisa Schroeder, Kristen Forness, Miyuki Norrish, Kim Tanada, Jeff Hopper, Monique Sevy, and Eri Noon.

Foundation

Happy New Year Richmond Families!

2016 is going to be a fabulous year, and we are excited to announce a new restaurant drive option for this month. ReFresh is a Richmond family-owned cafe located at 2860 SE Gladstone. They are generously donating a percentage of their daily earnings to the Foundation [on Wednesday, January 20th](#), our late opening day this month. You can go in as early as [7:00 a.m.](#) and get a delicious espresso and breakfast pastry, swing by at lunch to get a yummy deli sandwich, or stop in at happy hour for a relaxing beverage and charcuterie board! All these tasty ideas help the RSF meet our goals, while supporting one of our own families' businesses – how awesome is that? Also worth noting, ReFresh will be providing special hot cocoa drinks for kids from 7:00-10:00 a.m. and from 3:00-5:00 p.m. If dining out is not your thing, we are always accepting tax-deductible contributions via our big blue mailbox by the main office.

Akemashite Omedetou Gozaimasu!

PTA Updates

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February 5th Movie Night, 6:30 p.m., Richmond Cafeteria

Featuring [Studio Ghibli's](#), *The Cat Returns*, it will be a night to dive into the story of a girl named Haru and her adventures in the Cat Kingdom. Pizza, Rich Coffee treats, and popcorn will be served. Visiting students and teachers from Samaura will be in attendance so please come say hello to our visitors and show them what a warm community Richmond is.

February 17th, PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Richmond Cafeteria

Discuss exciting new projects/events on the horizon for PTA and get updates on PPS Boundary Review and its impact on JMP. Hear the latest on issues affecting our school as we head into spring – testing, staffing, etc.





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Team Richmond – Shamrock Run, March 13th

Looking for that extra incentive to make your New Year's resolution to stay fit? Join the Richmond team for Portland's annual Shamrock Run. All speeds welcome! The Portland Shamrock Run is a great opportunity to support Doernbecher Children's Hospital. You will be participating in one of the best running events in Portland to support our school. If you sign up by January 31st, you will get a \$4 discount off your entry fee. Our team number is 2885. For all questions, please email Team Captain Shuli Rutzick at shulirutzick@gmail.com.

March 19, Breakfast in the Garden, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Come get our school gardens and green spaces ready for spring and our kindergarten classroom ready to plant their spring veggies. This is a great way to get kids involved in improving their school.

April 1, Science Fair, 6:30 p.m., Richmond Cafeteria

For all those exploring minds in our community, PTA is excited to be hosting another year of the fabulous Richmond Science Fair program. Please bring all of your scientific creative energy on April 1. The date should give this event a whole new twist on scientific outcomes!



Get Ready for the 2016 ONK Auction at Revolution Hall on March 5th!

Tickets available **now** at
www.onk.tofinoauctions.com/auction2016

**Early Bird prices are good through
January 31st**

Plus, if you buy your ticket during the month of January, you will be entered into the "Westwind Weekend Choice" drawing which will allow one lucky winner to bypass the lottery and guarantee a spot for up to Five people at Westwind!

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