

# Brighton School News

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

<b>April</b>	
10-13	Grade 6 to IslandWood
11-12	Quiet Heart Wilderness workshops-K-5 <i>PTO sponsored</i>
18,19	ECE – Museum of Flight <i>PTO sponsored</i>
19	Relay for Life
20	Nina Laden, Author (Grades K-5) <i>PTO sponsored</i>
21	Earth Day Assembly
25	PTO Meeting 6:30 pm
27	Kindergarten Play 2:00 & 7:00 Essentials Day
28	Middle School Hispanic Lunch
<b>May</b>	
3-4	Art Show
5	ECE Concert 10:30
8-12	Grade 7 to Camp Orkila
12	NED Show (Grades K-5) 9:30-10:15 <i>PTO sponsored</i>
15-18	ECE – Seattle Aquarium <i>PTO sponsored</i>
18	Grade 1 Play 2:00 & 7:00
16-25	Grade 8 to VA/DC/NY
22	Spanish Festival
24-26	Grade 5 to Camp Seymour
26	No School – Teacher Inservice Day

## WATCH DOGS!

If you have not had a chance to schedule a Watch Dog day yet, we still have spots open!

Feel free to contact Brianna Weimar at [Brianna.weimar@nlcinc.com](mailto:Brianna.weimar@nlcinc.com) with any questions or visit the Sign Up Genius to pick a date. Enter in this link to schedule a Watch Dog day: [goo.gl/PvXrZV](http://goo.gl/PvXrZV)



## BRIGHTON YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are currently on sale and are **ONLY being sold online**. Hardcover yearbooks are \$30 and softcover yearbooks are \$20. Order deadline is April 25<sup>th</sup>. Visit [www.brightonmountlake.picaboo.com](http://www.brightonmountlake.picaboo.com) to order. 8<sup>th</sup> graders and yearbook elective students should look for additional information coming home about yearbooks. Email [brianna.weimar@nlcinc.com](mailto:brianna.weimar@nlcinc.com) with any questions.



## SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION OPEN

Summer camp is right around the corner and Brighton offers one of the best camps around. Many camps are full, so you should register soon. There are two steps to registering for camp. **1. Register on Sign-Up Genius to temporarily reserve a spot, 2. Fill out the paperwork that is attached to the Sign-Up Genius page and return it to the office with deposit.** For camps that fill up there is a separate Waiting List Sign-Up Genius. Start at [www.brightonschool.com](http://www.brightonschool.com) and choose Camps from the menu.

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**NATUREBRIDGE**

Fourth grade had a great time on their trip to NatureBridge on March 15-17. NatureBridge is located in Olympic National Park. The students stayed in cabins right on beautiful Lake Crescent for three days of field science education. Some of the fun activities included hiking to a waterfall, learning about the forest, canoeing, and studying watersheds. Students also examined samples from a creek, identified some tiny invertebrates, and participated in a number of team-building activities. The evening programs included a Native American storyteller and a fun campfire with songs, skits, and stories. What a great experience for the students, teachers, and parent chaperones. Thank you PTO for supporting our trip to NatureBridge!



**EDMONDS ARTS FESTIVAL**

All Brighton students in Kindergarten through the 8th grade have the opportunity to submit a work of art to be considered by the Edmonds Arts Festival. The Edmonds Arts Festival is a juried art contest as well as an art show. Students are reviewing work they have created during art class in order to help with their selection process. They can also create a new work of art or submit something previously created. I have offered the students any materials I can provide to help with their creations such as quality paper, paint, chalk... All submissions are due by next Friday, April 21st. The Festival is also looking for volunteers to help with the show. If interested, contact Mary Wiggins. Good luck to all our Brighton artists.

### THIRD GRADE WATERSHED MODELS

The third graders have been investigating the question "Why aren't salmon returning to Yost Park? One of their claims is that the water isn't clean enough for the salmon. In order to find evidence to either support or refute their claim they learned about watersheds and how water flows through them. They made watershed models using construction paper, plastic bags, and a water spray bottle to help them see water movement through a watershed. Then they discussed how this information will help their own investigation. This week, they will travel to Yost Park to get a first-hand look at Shell Creek and the possible factors influencing salmon migration.



creations. The Second and Third Graders painted groups of cupcakes. The Fourth and Fifth Graders painted tall tiered cakes. The Middle School Art Elective class painted complete meals on canvas. The students then sculpted tiny meals out of candy, for art of course, not to eat. Look for our masterpieces to appear around campus soon.



K-1<sup>st</sup>



2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>



4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

### ART NEWS

In art we have been studying the work of Wayne Thiebaud, a living, contemporary artist. He is famous for creating delicious works of food often in a series, cityscapes, and portraits. He features strongly lit and shadowed work with his shadows full of color. Even with all this color in his shadows, his paintings use a lot of white which is often applied thickly as if he is frosting his cakes instead of merely painting them. The students all painted food masterpieces. The Kindergarten and First Graders painted candy series



**2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE STEM UNIT**

Brighton's 2nd graders have been learning about erosion. For this STEM unit students explored and compared solutions to slow down or prevent wind or water from changing the shape of the land. They developed multiple models to represent beaches and bodies of water then analyzed data from tests of objects designed to solve the problems of erosion. Which was better for reducing erosion on our models – breakwaters, netting, or reefs? Ask a 2nd grader for their conclusions.



**MS. FILICE'S PREK CLASS**

In Ms. Filice's and Mrs. Daltons class, we are learning about plants. We predicted whether beans will sprout in paper towels and water, each child planted flower seeds and did observational





### 1ST GRADE CELEBRATES DR. SEUSS

Friday, March 25, first grade had their annual Flop and Read. Students come to school in pj's and bring their blankies, stuffies and books from home. In honor of Dr. Seuss we make green eggs and ham, Truffela trees, and Thing hats. After our ham and egg snack, students partake in some quiet reading time. This is our grand finale to the Dr. Seuss unit, in which we explore his writing style, and compare some of Dr. Seuss' books. Oh! The places you'll go...  
*Dr. Seuss*



### DEAR PARENTS,

Thank you very much for all the snack bags donations that we received for Washington Kids In Transition. Students from Leadership (with the help of our second graders) were able to pack more than 8 big bins full of snack bags (more than 700 snack bags).

Also, thank you to Ms. Thaler, Ms. Grace, Mrs. Wick, Ms. Jude, Middle school students and students from extended care for helping us to decorate the snack bags with wonderful messages!

Thank you very much for your generosity.  
Rosa and the Leadership class



## SUPPORT BRIGHTON PTO

Did you know you can earn money for Brighton PTO just by shopping with Amazon? You shop. Amazon gives. From September to December, we earned over \$75, thanks to the people who have already started using this program.

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[smile.amazon.com/about](http://smile.amazon.com/about)

## RELAY FOR LIFE!

Brighton School is once again organizing a Relay For Life Team. Our team will be participating the in the South Snohomish Relay for Life held on June 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> at McCollum Park. We all know someone that has, or has had cancer. Relay for Life celebrates those that have survived, those currently fighting and honors the memories of those we have lost.

Relay for Life is a is an organized, overnight community fundraising walk where team members take turns walking the track and camp out overnight.



There's food, fun games and activities that enhance the family-friendly experience. Because it's a team event, participants are not required to be there the entire time. But it's so much fun, you'll find it hard to leave! To learn more, join us, or to make a donation, visit [www.relayforlife.org](http://www.relayforlife.org) and search for Brighton School. There is no requirement for individual fundraising and all funds raised support the American Cancer Society. We, as a team, raise funds from activities such as selling CandyGrams and concessions at the Student Staff Basketball Game.

We are also planning to hold our own mini-relay again this Spring.



Donations can be made online or sent to school; checks can be made out to Relay for Life. Thank you in advance for your support! Any questions, contact our team captain, sixth grader, Blake Eaton at [blakeeaton55@hotmail.com](mailto:blakeeaton55@hotmail.com) or Jennifer Eaton at [jenniferlyneaton@hotmail.com](mailto:jenniferlyneaton@hotmail.com).

Tancreti; and MS team "The Seven Angels", team members: Lindsey Kerns, Piper Jiyamapa, Ruthie, Darby O'Neill, Ava Jensen, Payton Wotipka and Amanda Birkby coached by Sue Elvrum.