



Byrom Buzz

The Byrom Newsletter

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If your child should be absent or late, please call our ATTENDANCE LINE (503) 431-4320

Dear Byrom Families,

Another great year at Byrom is coming to a close. As we look towards summer vacation, and begin to picture the next school year, here are a few items I think you'll find of interest:

1. Byrom Teacher Changes

Due to a combination of enrollment and budget reductions, the following staff members will not be at Byrom next year:

- **Mrs. Keely Porter / Talented & Gifted Teacher (TAG):** Mrs. Porter has served as Byrom's TAG teacher for the past 12 years. In her time at Byrom she has positively impacted the lives of hundreds of students in the TAG program, as well as hundreds more by providing engaging activities and ideas for all students. Mrs. Porter has truly poured her 'heart and sole' into the lives of our students and learning community, and we will miss her energy, intelligence, sense of humor, warmth, and kindness.
- **Mrs. Laurel Fischer / Fifth Grade Teacher:** Next year, Mrs. Fischer will teach at Bridgeport Elementary School. Mrs. Fischer has taught at Byrom for the past three years, serving as a Learning Specialist for two years, and this past year as a fifth grade classroom teacher. Mrs. Fischer has earned the admiration and respect of her students, families, and all staff members. We know that 'our loss' will be a welcome gain for the Bridgeport learning community.
- **Ms. Katie Swan / Fifth Grade Teacher:** Ms. Swan will be moving to Durham Elementary School beginning in fall of 2011. Ms. Swan has taught at Byrom for three years, serving as a third, fourth, and fifth grade teacher, and has earned the respect of all by doing a terrific job at three different grade levels in three consecutive years. This is a remarkable achievement, and an indication of how lucky Durham School will be when she arrives there next September.

Although we are sad to see these three fantastic teachers leave our school, we are heartened by the fact that they will most certainly continue their positive impact on our world as they move onto the next stages of their professional careers. We are grateful for all they've given us during their time at Byrom, and know that in many ways, Keely, Laurel, and Katie will **always** be a part of the Byrom Learning Community.

2. Playground Improvements Make A Positive Impact On Our School!

When I arrived at Byrom three years ago, we had — by all measures, the worst playground area of any elementary school in our district. Today, thanks to the efforts of so many in our Byrom community, we have a much improved playground for our students. We plan to install more playground equipment this summer, as well as putting in more drainage and 'brand-new' bark chips. In addition, two Byrom parents helped us realize a dream by replacing our outdoor basketball backboards and hoops. Much thanks to Mr. Troy Noland and Mr. Jagroop Malhi for purchasing the four new 'hoops' in our covered playground area. We also purchased a set of soccer goals, and these are used by over 30 students at every recess throughout the day. And finally, next year we'll implement a curriculum called 'Peaceful Playgrounds', that will make recess time increasingly active and fun for all students. By fall of next year, we will most certainly **NOT** have the worst playground in the district, and we all should be proud of our collective efforts to achieve this goal for the children at Byrom.

I wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer, and look forward to seeing you all next fall!

Mr. Fraisse

Kaady Car Wash Fundraiser Results



Thank you to the over 100 students/families, teachers and staff who participated in the Kaady Car Wash Fundraiser. Our school sold an amazing 1078 car wash cards, which generated almost \$1,200 in profit to Byrom, of which 25% will go back directly to the teachers you designated on your order form. We can't thank you enough!!!

Congratulations to the family of **Rylie Wood** in Mrs. Thomas's class, who won the K-2nd grade raffle drawing, and the family of **Mathew Charters** in Ms. Swan's class, who won the 3rd- 5th grade raffle drawing. Both families will receive a \$25 gift card to Family Fun Center & Bullwinkles. Special thanks to **Linda Dyer**, who actually won one of the drawings, but donated it back so that a student family could win. She rocks!

Just so you know, the **LAST DAY TO ORDER SCRIP** will be **TUESDAY, JUNE 14TH**. All orders will be available to send home with your child, or in the office, based on the box you check on the Scrip Order Form, on Thursday, June 16th. Be sure to stock up on Scrip for all of your summer needs! It's a win-win for you and Byrom.

Also, if any of you would be interested in taking over the Scrip Program next year, please contact me at 503-692-5763 or email me at wise.swise@comcast.net. I am happy to help you with the transition, and will always be available for questions.

Thank you again for all of your support of the Byrom Scrip Program!



One World, Many Stories

Tualatin Public Library
2011 Summer Reading Club
All Ages thru Grade 5

STEP 1: June 1st - August 1st Sign Up!
Get a free book and other great prizes.

STEP 2: READ!

STEP 3: Return your Reading Record between 8/1 and 8/15 for a coupon to Oaks Park and a chance to win the Grand Prize!



5k Run/Walk
June 25th, 2011 - 6:30 PM
Cook Park, Tigard, OR

At the Tigard Festival of Balloons

Flat, fast course. Great for runners & walkers.
Registration includes FREE Nike Shirt,
*FREE parking in designated area ONLY,
*FREE admission to Balloon Festival,
post-race treats and more.

STAY FOR NIGHT GLOW & MUSIC!

Benefitting:
Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools

GROUP DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE
REGISTER ONLINE:
www.ReasonToRun.com



**Do You Or Someone In Your Family Work
For An Airline Or Hotel Chain?**

If so, we may be eligible to request a charitable contribution from that company for next year's auction, but we have to do it soon since they have long lead times! If you're interested in helping us pursue this, please let us know. We would be most grateful!

Thanks!
Ashley Mannino, Auction Chair
Ashley@amwservices.com
503-855-3534



All You Can Eat
Pancakes, Sausage
Coffee, Tea & Juice!

Byrom Beautification Project Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, June 11, 2011 @ Applebee's Tualatin
8:00 am – 10:00 am

Cost: \$7.00
Tickets available in Byrom
office or at the door

Thank You!!!



Two Small Words With A Big Meaning

The PSO would like to thank every person, all 359 of you, who volunteered this year! Your contributions, from one hour to over 300 hours is greatly appreciated. A special thank you to the following people for their amazing volunteer hours* and contributions this year:

Over 300 hours: Ashley Mannino

Over 200 hours: Leigh Anne Hadley and Nikki Smith

Over 100 hours: Stephanie Haaland, Chris Gordin, Suzanne Coggins, Maria Lathrop, Julie Welborn, Leslie Matlick, Kate Schafroth, Letitia Peterson, Heather MacLean, Sue Wise, Melissa Burton, Jodie Krivens, Sarah Finnegan, Alexis Snyder, Kathryn Hawkins, Theresa Marchetti, April Jost, Beth Roach and Kim DeMarchi.

Thanks also to our PSO Board Members:

President: Stephanie Charters

Vice President: Craig Peebles

Auditing Treasurer: RuthAnne Day

Bookkeeping Treasurer: Maria Lathrop

Secretaries: Tim Divine, Heather MacLean

Volunteer Coordinators: Melissa Burton, Chris Gordin

Members at Large: Leigh Anne Hadley, Cyndy Hillier, Brenna White, Stephanie Haaland



**These names are as of 6/2. There may be more in these categories by the end of the year!

IT FEELS ODD, BUT....



We need to think about beginning next year as we think about ending this one!

The PSO is looking for people interested in filling the following positions next year. If you have any interest, please contact Melissa Burton for more information (burtonrm4@gmail.com)

- Volunteer Coordinator(s)
- Scrip Chair or Co-Chair (this is one of our fundraisers)
- Carnival Chair or Co-Chair
- Foundation Liaison
- Lobby Decorations/Glass Display Case Scheduler

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 10 - 5th Grade Celebration 10:00 am – 2:30 pm

June 13 - 5th Grade Field Trip – Wright – Port Blakely
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

June 13 - 3rd Grade Field Trip - Ibach Park
12:30 pm - 2:20 pm

June 14 - Flag Day

June 14 - 4th Grade Field Trip – Ibach Park
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

June 14 - 5th Grade Science Fair – Cafeteria
1:15pm - 2:00 pm

June 15 - Last Day of School – AM&PM Kinders

June 16 - Last day of School – Full Day Kinders & Grades 1 - 5
Dismissal @ 11:45 am



BOOK DRIVE SUCCESS!



A great big **THANK YOU** to all of you **Byrom Book Buddies** (and parents!) who brought in your old books for Kelly Elementary School. Together we collected **2,872** books which will go towards helping their students continue reading during summer break. **WOW!!** Great work . . . we should all be very proud! A special thank you also to **Hannah Schafroth** for leading this effort!

The Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools Sixth Annual Garden Tour and Art Show



**Saturday, June 25, 2011
10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

Garden Tour Admission Price - \$20.00
(tickets now available at schools & district office)
Free admission to Plant Sale and Art Show

**Plant Sale and Art Show Location:
Tualatin Elementary
20405 SW 95th Ave/Tualatin, OR**

Missoula Children's Theatre Presents Cinderella

Auditions and Rehearsals Oct 3, 2011- Oct 8, 2011
Performance day Oct 8, 2011 2pm and 5pm at Tualatin High School
Auditions open for Kindergarten thru 5th grade

Also- we are looking for 2 host families for the 2 directors that will be in town for that week. If anyone would be willing to volunteer, please contact Leslie Matlick at leslie.matlick@gmail.com, or phone 503-563-5199.

JOG-A-THON CONTEST WINNER NAMED!

Congratulations to our 2011-2012 Jog-A-Thon Logo Contest winner, **Lindley Patton!** Lindley's winning logo design will be on next year's jog-a-thon tee-shirt! We'd also like to give a big thank you to all of our students who designed a logo and entered the contest! Great job to all!



Year End Information

Report Cards Will Be Mailed Home!

Final report cards for the year will be mailed home the week after school is out. If you have moved and have not given us your new address, please contact the school office immediately at 503-431-4300. If we do not have your correct address, you will not receive your child's final report card.

Hot Lunch Accounts

Any money left in your child's hot lunch account will carry over for next fall. Balances for 5th graders will automatically transfer to Hazelbrook. If you would like to have your money returned, please see Edie in the kitchen.

Does your child have medication at school?

All student medications must be picked up by a parent at the end of the school year. Medications cannot be sent home with a student, and medications cannot be sent in the mail or to another school building. We cannot store medications over the summer. **All remaining medications left at school will be disposed of on June 21.**

Tigard-Tualatin School District 23J Last Two Days of School

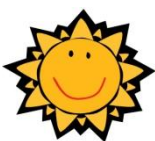
1. Wednesday, June 15, will be the last day for AM and PM kindergarten students. There will be **NO** AM or PM Kindergarten classes on Thursday, June 16.

Thursday, June 16, will be the last day for all other grade levels (including full day kindergarten).

2. On Thursday, June 16, breakfast will be served. Lunch will **NOT** be served.

3. The bus schedule for Thursday, June 16, will be as follows:

- 11:00 a.m. High School**
- 11:45 a.m. Elementary School**
- 12:30 p.m. Middle School**



HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!!!

First Day of School is September 6, 2011