

Boones Ferry Primary School



Dragonflier

Issue 4

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Calendar

October

Oct. 11-12 **NO SCHOOL** -
Conference Days
Oct. 13 **NO SCHOOL** -
In-Service Day
Oct. 16 Enrichment classes begin
Oct. 19 4th Grade Field Trip
Oct. 20 PSS Trick or Treat Night
Oct. 24 3rd Grade Field Trip
Oct. 24 Kindergarten Field Trip
Oct. 24 PSS Meeting 8:00 AM
Staff Room
Oct. 25 Professional Growth
Wednesday, Early release
at 12:10 P.M.
Oct. 26 Picture Re-Takes
Fauna Gym
Oct. 26 2nd Grade Field Trip
Oct. 27 5th Grade Field Trip

Remember you can check the
school calendar on our website:
www.bfps.wlwg.k12.or.us

Reading at Home, Week One

Around conference time, teachers get lots of questions from parents about what they can do at home to help their child become a better reader. We addressed some of these at Family Literacy Night, and we've decided to share a few suggestions each week through the Dragonflier.

Part One, The Goldilocks Question (What is a "just-right" book?)

"The books he brings home are too easy! He should be challenging himself."

Research says students need access to lots of books that they can read with *high levels of accuracy* (Calkins, 2015). When students are reading independently, they should be able to easily and accurately read at least 96% of the words. Their reading should be fluent (expressive and smooth), and they should be able to talk about what they have read. This means the books that students take home should sound "easy."

One way we teach students to find just-right books is the "Five Finger Rule." While reading a page or two of text, the student uses one hand to track how many errors or tricky words they encounter - one finger for each error. A just-right book should fall somewhere between 2-4 errors on one page.

The books she brings home are too hard.

Make it a read-*with-me* book:

- Offer to read the book aloud
- Take turns reading
- Borrow the audiobook version from the public library and listen while reading along
- Talk to your child's teacher if this is an ongoing concern.

Remember, the goal is to create joyful experiences that foster avid reading!

Strings class begins Monday, October 16th.

It's not too late to register your child.

Learn more about the beginning strings and intermediate orchestra for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students.

<https://www.wlwg.k12.or.us/domain/2544>



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Student Responsibilities and Rights

The West Linn-Wilsonville School District recently updated portions of its Student Responsibilities and Rights handbook. Access this [link](#).

Yearbook Cover Contest

PSS is looking for that winning piece of artwork to place on the front cover of our 2017-2018 yearbook. Any student in Boones Ferry Primary is eligible to submit an entry. Below are the rules:

- The artwork must be original; we are looking for a colorful background- please do not include a drawing of the school.
- Artwork must be submitted on an 8.5"x11" piece of paper and should have 1/2" margins so the final image is within a 7.5"x10" area. If your design is bigger than that, it will be cut off.
- It should include the school mascot, a dragonfly.
- Include your name, grade level and teacher on the back of the artwork.

The winner will be selected in November but will not be announced until the yearbook is distributed in June 2018. All entries should be dropped off in the school office. Entries are due by Monday, October 23rd.

PSS Trick or Treat Night

Our annual Trick or Treat Night is scheduled for Friday, October 20th. The cost of admission is \$3.00 per child. This includes trick-or-treating, one slice of pizza, one water, bounce house, monster mash, photo booth, tattoo parlor and cookie crawl. Click [here](#) to learn more.

PSS is asking all families to donate a bag of Halloween Candy for Trick or Treat Night. Donations will be accepted between Monday, October 9-Friday, October 20th. Place your donations in the or-



We are required by the State of Oregon to make immunization data available to parents. Click [here](#) to view Boones Ferry's data.

Picture Retake Day

Picture Retake Day is scheduled for Thursday, October 26th. If you would like a retake of your child's school picture send your original package with your child. If your child was absent on Picture Day stop by the office to pick up an order form or you may order on line at mylifetouch.com, picture day ID: F0737113Q1.