

Boones Ferry Primary School



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Calendar

December

- Dec. 11 Last week of Enrichment
- Dec. 12 Strings Winter Concert at Athey Creek 7-8 P.M.
- Dec. 14 Second Grade field trip 8:00 - 2:00 P.M.
- Dec. 15 Choir Concert Flora Gym 8:00 AM
- Dec.18-29 NO SCHOOL—Winter Break!

January

- Jan. 1 **NO SCHOOL** - New Years Day
- Jan. 2 **NO SCHOOL** - Staff Development Day
- Jan. 9 PSS Art Lit Training BFPS Library 6:30-8 P.M.
- Jan. 15 **NO SCHOOL** - Martin Luther King Day
- Jan 17 Professional Growth Wednesday, Early release at 12:10 P.M.
- Jan 17 PSS Meeting in the Staff room 8:00 A.M.

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




Reading at Home, Week Three

Part Three: We're too busy! We don't have time to read!

Families are busy - especially this time of year. In the midst of all the seasonal activities, we hope you can take a moment to sit down and enjoy a book together!

Research says that success in reading is directly related to the amount of time a person spends reading (Calkins, 2015). 20 minutes every night is a good goal, but start small if necessary. Even if you only have a few minutes per night, set 5-10 aside for reading. It's actually more beneficial to read 5-10 minutes every night than to try cramming a whole week's reading homework into only one night. Take advantage of every moment - keep books in the car, put an e-reader app with some favorite books on your phone... give your student every opportunity to read.

Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Student "A"	Student "B"	Student "C"
reads 20 minutes each day	reads 5 minutes each day	reads 1 minute each day
3600 minutes in a school year	900 minutes in a school year	180 minutes in a school year
1,800,000 words	282,000 words	8,000 words
		
90 th percentile	50 th percentile	10 th percentile

By the end of 6th grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

(Nagy & Herman, 1987)

Make sure to stock up on books from our school or public library to read during the holiday break.

What: Strings Concert

When: Tuesday, December 12th, 2017.

Where: Athey Creek Middle School Gym

Call Times: Intermediate Orchestra: 6:00 PM

Beginners: 6:30 P

Performance Time: 7:00 PM

Dress: Boys - white dress shirt, black slacks, black socks, & black dress shoes

Girls - white blouse, black pants or long black dress/skirt, black stockings, black dress shoes



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Lost and Found!

Please remember to come and check our lost and found. Find those lost jackets, hats and gloves! Items will be donated to charity on Friday, December 15th.



Each year from November until Winter Break, we celebrate the season of gratitude with the Honor Our Teachers campaign.

The Honor Our Teachers campaign provides a special way for you to share your appreciation for our dedicated educators. By making a donation to the West Linn-Wilsonville Education Foundation, you can thank our teachers and staff. They will receive a special certificate of recognition to hang in their classroom or office. They will also receive a notification that your gift was made in their honor. It's an exciting way to celebrate our teachers and staff.

With a donation of \$250 or more, the Foundation will also include a \$10 gift card to each teacher or staff member you honor (up to 4). The gift cards are funded by a generous grant, so your total tax-deductible donation can be used by the Foundation to help fund additional teaching positions to our schools.

We thank you for all that you do to show your support for our schools, teachers, and staff. By supporting the Foundation, you also help foster the excellence of the district.

Thank you!

TOYS FOR TOTS



U.S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE
 For more information visit www.toysfortots.org

This holiday season Boones Ferry Primary School is a drop off site for **Toys for Tots!** What a great opportunity to teach our children generosity and the joy of giving. If your family would like to share in the gift of giving, please drop off new unwrapped toys in the large bin in the school entrance by December 15th.

Don't forget to check out
 the district's
Community Bulletin Board at:
[Community Bulletin Board](#)

Save the Date

Mark your calendars for the 4th Annual WLWV Education Foundation
"Night with the Portland Trail Blazers"

The game between the Portland Trail Blazers and the Detroit Pistons will be on
 March 17th at the Moda center.

Ticket sales will open the first week in January. Ticket availability will be limited so make sure to order early!