



NEWS from the DEN

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April 28, 2016

I would like to send a kindly reminder to all of you who pick up and drop off students at Miller.

Our situation is not ideal with the maze of a front parking lot and the buses being in the back as well as all the staff parking. However, we need to be sure we are keeping our students safe. **Please follow the plan below when you are dropping off or picking up your child:**

At the front of the building

- When dropping off in the morning or picking up in the afternoon, use the drive through only for a quick drop off or pick up. If you need to talk with your child, make a phone call or come into the school, please park in a parking spot and either walk with your child into the school or have them walk into the school using the crosswalk with Miss Della orchestrating the passing of people and cars.

At the back of the building

- If you are dropping off in the morning, please do not use the bus drive way after 8:30 AM. This drive is for buses only. Please park your car and walk your child to the gym doors where Mrs. Campbell will be waiting to let your student in the school. When you are picking up after school please park your car and walk up to the back sidewalk to pick up your child. No child should be walking to the back parking lot by his/her self. If you have a large vehicle, please use the lower lot to park your car while you pick up your child.
- Adults cannot enter the back of the building 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM. If you need to enter the building, please come to the front parking lot.

Thank you so much for taking the extra time to keep all of our staff and students safe at Miller!

On a similar note...**May is Walk and Bike to School Month!** We will be giving out prizes **EVERY WEDNESDAY IN MAY** to those who get to school under their own power (bike, walk, skate, unicycle) or carpool to school. We will also recognize students who ride the bus as well one day. Let's hope for beautiful weather!!

Respectfully,

Jen Healy

541-355-2502

jen.healy@bend.k12.or.us

Paw Plans

May 3

3rd Grade Recorder Concert
6PM

May 4

Walk & Bike to School

May 5

Site Council Meeting 4PM

May 12

Fine Arts Night 5:30-7PM
5th Grade Talent Show
5:30PM



How to Reach Us:

W.E. Miller Office 541-355-2500
Fax 541-355-2510
FAN 541-355-2517
Transportation 541-355-5700
Inclement Weather 541-323-SNOW
Nutrition Services 541-355-2541

Calling in Absent Students: If your child is going to be absent, please call our school office at 541-355-2500 or email us **prior to 10:00AM** to let us know.

To report a student absent: miller-absent@bend.k12.or.us

Please include in email: student name, teacher and reason for absence: ill, family vacation, family emergency. Thank you!

Cafeteria Volunteers: If you could work a day or two, 12pm-1pm, please click on the link below. [Lunchroom Help](#) Any questions please contact Christina at christina.snyder@me.com.

Registration for 2016-2017 Begins

April 20: Registration has begun and will continue throughout the rest of the school year. If you have an incoming student, please stop by the office and pick up a registration packet. Information that is **required** in order to register your kindergarten child includes a birth certificate, immunization record and proof of address. Please share this information with any parents who may not receive a school newsletter. Children must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2016 in order to attend kindergarten in the fall.



Social & Emotional Learning Corner

In SEL we have been working on relationship skills.

Next week we will be focusing on responsible decision-making.

Learning Objectives:

- Students will learn how we can help our brains be more positive by neuroplasticity and mindfulness.
- Students will learn how setting goals or intentions can help them create success in what they are striving for.
- Students will learn how courage can help them accomplish something they might be nervous to do.

Please visit my website for more information.

<https://sites.google.com/a/gapps.bend.k12.or.us/teachgrowth/>

~Jenny White

Lost & Found: Parents, please check our lost & found bin located in the middle hallway. We have several coats, lunch boxes, water bottles, hats, etc. Thank you!

Miller Yearbooks: Yearbooks are on sale until May 2. Order packets were sent home with every student. Checks should be made out to **Miller Elementary**. You can also enclose the exact amount of cash **in the order envelope** and turn it into the student's teacher or the front office. Orders must be submitted before May 2, 2016. Year- books will be delivered the last week of school.

To Order online:
YBPAY.LIFETOUHC.COM
Yearbook ID Code: 10286816



Sparrow Club Update: Kids are doing great things to help our Sparrow Titus. Chip Allers set up an ice tea stand and made \$150 in one day! Brody Winger found \$20 on the playground, turned it into the office and when it was not claimed after a week, it was given to him. Instead of keeping it for himself, he donated it to Titus. We are allowing students to donate their Miller Money as well. Students have donated over \$700! We have some generous business matching the Miller dollars in real currency. Thank you for your generosity and compassion!

Missing: Green Visitor Badges The office is missing about 100 bright green visitor badges. If you have any in your car, purse or at home, will you please return them to the front office? Thank you!



Happy May Day

Music Notes:

Save the date for these spring student performances...

Tues., May 3rd: **3rd Grade Recorder Concert** 6:00 p.m. Students should meet in their wing at 5:45 p.m.

Thurs. May 12th: **5th Grades Got Talent** 5:30 p.m. This is also Art Night!

Thurs. May 19th: **2nd grade play** "The Garden Show" 5:30 p.m.

Tues. May 24th : **1st grade play** "Life Cycles" 5:30 p.m. Young/ Richardson 6:15 p.m. Ayers/ Johnson

Thurs. May 26th : **4th Grade Play** "Go West!" 6:00 p.m.

From the Educational Technology Parent Group:

Hello Parents,

We are happy to announce that we will be holding a presentation for all parents on Wednesday, May 25th from 5-6pm in the Media Center.

This will be a panel presentation on a variety of technology related topics and how technology has been implemented this year at Miller. At the end there will be time for Q & A.

~ Erich Brocker, Assistant Principal



Nurse Notes: This is a reminder for parents to please pick up all

medications that may have been left for your student in the front office. Our health room is overflowing.

Ideally, all medications should be given at home. If a student is to receive medication for a period of time, arrangements should be made to have it administered either before or after school hours whenever possible.

It is important that only medications necessary for your child to stay in school are to be left at school.

If medications are not picked up by the end of the year, they will be discarded. Thank you, Meg Moyer, School Nurse

Picking Up Students Early: Parents, if you need to pick your child up early for an appointment, **please give the office at least 10 minutes notice.** Often students are in different classrooms, at recess or in the middle of a project. The office needs time to locate the student. Also, the teacher might need time to give homework and the student needs time to gather his/her items. Thank you.



Oregon Rising: What is your dream for schools in Oregon? Students, parents and community members are invited to share their ideas for the future of education in Oregon during a community gathering on **May 12 at 6 p.m. at Summit High School.**

This event is part of a statewide effort called Oregon Rising, which is a collaboration between the Confederation of Oregon School Administrators, Oregon School Boards Association and the Oregon Education Association. The goal of the campaign is to collect thoughts from 10,000 Oregonians and to communicate those ideas to the state Legislature in 2017. Bend-La Pine Schools staff members and administrators will be on hand during the event May 12 to listen to your ideas. We are excited to hear your vision of what you want for our students now and into the future.

Next Year Plans: As we work to confirm enrollment for 2016-2017 **please notify the office as soon as possible if your child will not be at Miller Elementary School next year.** Thank you!



MILLER PTO NEWS

April 28, 2016

Last PTO meeting of this school year!

Please join us on Monday, May 16th, at 6:00 pm at Cascade Lakes Brewery for the last PTO meeting of this school year. We will be wrapping up the year and saying goodbye to our outgoing officers and welcoming our new ones: Kim Hill, Vice-President; Maria Rue-Secretary; and Kira Marchant-Fundraising.

Staff Appreciation Week

Miller will be celebrating Staff Appreciation Week next week!! May 2nd through the 6th. Anyone who is interested in helping with this fun-filled week should attend the meeting or email Amanda at amandar-ing4@gmail.com.

We need your help!

As in past years, we kick off the week by decorating the front entrance with LOTS of letters, cards, and pictures from the students expressing their appreciation for all the wonderful things our staff does each and every day. Anything goes--pictures, poems, quick thank you notes. Notes may be to individual teachers, lunchroom staff, janitors, front office staff, anyone your student feels like appreciating! We will be collecting them **NOW** through tomorrow, Friday, April 29th in a box in the front office. Letters, pictures, etc., will be displayed at the end of the day on the 29th. You or your student may drop them off any time in the marked box--let's overflow it!

Bike or Walk to School Wednesdays

Mrs. Healy will be need 4 parent volunteers every Wednesday in May from 8:25-9am to help hand out prizes and give directions. You do not need to commit to every Wednesday. Please email Secily at communications@millerpto.org if you are able to help.

Student Store

We are in need of help at the Student Store. Please click the following link for a time to sign up and help out.

Student Store Parent Volunteer Sign-Up 15-16

Miller on the Move has started!

The spring session will run 4 weeks from April 25th- May 20th and will be every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at lunch recess. This program is supported and funded by the PTO and encourages our kids to be active. They can run, walk, skip, or even hop on crutches as some injured participants have done in the past to get their laps. The miles are cumulative from fall and spring and there will be prizes to be awarded for a 5k, 10K, half marathon, marathon and ultra-marathon at the end of the year.

With the increase in how many kids are achieving high miles, there will be a difference in the prizes handed out at the end of the year from last year at the end of year assembly. The feet prizes will remain the same, little feet will be handed out for each mile that they "run" (5 laps). The big feet will be handed out for 5K, 10K, half-marathon, marathon, and ultra-marathon. A total of 5 big feet can be earned per student. The kids get a lot of enjoyment from this program and like all volunteer programs, **we need and appreciate parent support**. Please sign up to help continue the success of this program. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are in need of 4-5 volunteers each day for the Yellow/Orange field (Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders) from 11:50 - 1:10. **The Green/Blue field (3rd, 4th, 5th graders) requires 3-4 volunteers from 12:15 - 1:15. We only have a couple people signed up for Green/Blue, so we need a few more volunteers!**

New this Spring is sign up for a lead person on each side to insure the set-up and take down of cones, vests and clipboards along with returning them to the PTO office. Please sign up to volunteer for this fun event by clicking on the link: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_Gp2yub8-3Rnb7KguEpNzVedXtpIdJhUDIZABQKHHzY/edit?usp=docslist_api

More help is always appreciated even if the document sign up sheet is full, feel free to come on out. We look forward to seeing you out there!

Fine Arts Night

Fine Arts Night is scheduled for Thursday, May 12th and we need volunteers to help make this night a success! Volunteers are needed for set-up the day before. Please sign up on the google doc if you can help out! You can sign up for as long an increment as you have...even an hour helps! We have LOTS of art to hang.

Each child should have come home with a sign-up sheet for Miller Makes, our voluntary student art showcase. This is where students get to create their very own piece of art (at home) to put on display at Fine Arts Night (May 12). Please encourage your child to participate!! Forms are due back to the teachers ASAP (by Monday) and art needs to be brought to the school no later than Tuesday, May 10th. Let the kids get creative! Please email Kimberly Hill at kimbjhill@gmail.com if you have any questions. [Fine Arts Night Volunteer Sign-up](#)

Dishwasher Volunteers Needed

Since the kitchen is open every day of school, we are in need of volunteers every single school day. No experience necessary, on-the-job training. If you are interested in helping in the kitchen, please go to the Miller Elementary website, click on 'Our School', select 'School Information' scroll down the right-hand side and click the "Lunch Helper" tab.

Box Top Collection

We are still collecting Box Tops by the front office every Monday. Please send the box tops in a baggie or on the box top tracker with your child's name on it. We are getting many box tops with no names or only the teacher's name. We want to make sure your child gets their box tops counted! For every 10 Box Tops, your child will receive one Miller Dollar.

Camp Invention

Please see the flyer below for Camp Invention! This fantastic camp is a great way to kick off your child's summer.



Spots available on a first-come, first-served basis, register today!

CAMP INVENTION REGISTRATION INFO:

Miller Elementary

300 NW Crosby Dr.
Bend, OR 97701

June 20 - 24, 2016 from 9:00am - 3:30pm

Directed by Doug Campbell
douger83@hotmail.com
(541) 639-8101

Price \$265

For children entering 1st - 6th grade

Register at:

<https://register.bendparksandrec.org>.

Activity Number: 206416

Take a look at Camp Invention in action at youtube.com/campinvention

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Amy Nary, OTR/L, Pediatric Occupational Therapist/Owner



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