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Dear Ponderosa Families,

Usually our June newsletter is full of end of the year information which gets everyone excited for summer! I want you to know that we are still in full swing here at Ponderosa and will be teaching right up until the last day of school, so please make every attempt to postpone summer adventures until after the 22nd of June!

We will once again be offering our Ponderosa Summer Learning Camp on Tuesdays from 9:30 – 11:00, starting on July 11th and running until August 22nd. The library will be open for check-out, the computer lab will be open to utilize Khan Academy, and we will have a group of teachers and adult volunteers here to help in any way we can. Last year we had over 100 students register and take advantage of this great learning opportunity. Sign-ups are going on now and will be accepted until June 16th.

Please remember to let us know if you will be moving over the summer and not returning. Also, if you notice a new neighbor who moves into your neighborhood, we would appreciate you letting them know that our office opens up for registration in mid August. We are anticipating more growth for next year, so it is very helpful to us if we have accurate student numbers as soon as possible.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to drop by the office or send me an email.

Mr. Austin

From the Music Room:

We have had an awesome year in Music Class! You're children have grown so much in their ability to sing, play instruments, and move creatively. 3rd/4th/5th graders are finishing up Recorder Karate, where they earn "belts" for each song that they learn successfully. Kinder/1st/2nd graders are finishing up mallet techniques on xylophones, metallophones, and glockenspiels. 2nd graders have also been learning several different folk dances that teach partner work, cooperation, and organized movement. Ask your 2nd grader which dance they have enjoyed the most - Heel Toe Polka, Sasha, Galopede, or Simple Square!

All students will end the year by exploring music on a class set of keyboards. They are welcome to bring their own headphones for the last two weeks of school if they want. Otherwise, I have a class set that I sanitize thoroughly after every class period.

It has been a pleasure working with your students this year! Have a great summer, and I will see them all back at school next Fall!

Kari Sue, Music Teacher -
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Monday, 6/5-Friday, 6/9 - Used Book Exchange in the library.

Tuesday, 6/6 - PTA Glass Night - 6:30pm-8:30pm in the gym.

Thursday, 6/8 - Final PTA Meeting, 6:00pm-7:00pm in the library.

Wednesday, 6/14 - Bend Food Project Collection.

Friday, 6/16 - 5th Grade Promotion, 2:00pm-3:30pm in the gym.

Wednesday, 6/21 - Field Day and All School Family BBQ, 10:00am-2:00pm.

NO SIW SCHEDULE - SCHOOL GETS OUT AT 3:30!

Thursday, 6/22 - Last day of school. **SCHOOL GETS OUT AT 2:00!**

Please be sure to visit our Ponderosa Website Calendar for an up-to-date list of all Ponderosa activities and field trips.

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PLEASE KEEP
COLLECTING
BOX TOPS
OVER THE

PONDEROSA LUNCH SCHEDULE

1ST: 11:25-11:45
RECESS UNTIL 12:10
KINDER: 11:35-12:00
RECESS UNTIL 12:20
2ND AND 3RD: 11:50-12:10
RECESS UNTIL 12:35
4TH AND 5TH: 12:05-12:25
RECESS BEFORE: 11:40-12:05

LOST AND FOUND!!!!

There are many, many items in the lost and found. Please be sure to go through it and claim items that belong to you. All items left after school gets out will be donated to charity. Thank you!

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ALL SCHOOL BBQ LUNCH
AND FIELD DAY ON JUNE 21ST!**

Our amazing nutrition department will be serving up a bbq lunch at the Pine Nursery Park pavilion in conjunction with Field Day. Tickets can be purchased in the office beginning June 12th; \$3.75 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Guests may NOT use a student's lunch account to pay for their meal - tickets need to be purchased separately. Ponderosa students MUST use their school account (not a ticket), so please make sure there is money in their account by June 21st. You may send a check or cash to school or pay online at the BLP website.

Thank you!

Lunch Schedule for June 21st:

11:10-2nd grade	11:25-1st grade
11:40-kinder	12:00-3rd grade
12:15-4th grade	12:30-5th grade

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

We need volunteers for our all school field day on Wednesday, June 21st at Pine Nursery Park. Grades 3-5 time slot is 10:00-12:00. Grades K-2 is 12:00-2:00. Below is a SignUpGenius link. Please take a look at the stations and sign up for an hour block.
Link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4ba5a92dabf58-ponderosa>

Thanks so much for helping to make this a fun year end celebration for Ponderosa students!

END OF THE YEAR LIBRARY INFORMATION

BOOK CHECK OUT/RETURN

May 26th - 31st will be the last week to check out library books.
June 5th-9th all books should be returned.

USED BOOK EXCHANGE

Start cleaning out those bookshelves! Students are invited to bring in books from home that they have finished reading. They can then trade them for books brought in by other students. This is a great way to pick up some books for the summer! Students may bring in books to the library at any time. They will have a chance to trade books during their regular library time or during lunch recess from June 5th-9th.

TECH TIP

Students will be turning in iPads during the week of June 12th-16th. In order to be prepared for check-in, students can begin to complete the following:

- *Find iPad charging cord and brick.
- *Back up all files to Google Drive.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Deschutes Public Library will be visiting Ponderosa on June 13th with information about their Summer Reading Program. Be sure to encourage your child(ren) to continue reading through the summer through this or another program!

A GIANT THANK YOU TO OUR PONDEROSA PTA AND FAMILIES FOR SO MANY EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION DURING TEACHER APPRECIATE WEEK. MANY POUNDS WERE GAINED FROM THE AMAZING FOOD PROVIDED AND MANY HEARTS WERE WARMED THROUGH EXPRESSIONS OF THANKS IN THE FORM OF CARDS, FLOWERS, GIFTS, AND MORE. PONDEROSA IS A GREAT PLACE TO WORK - THANK YOU FOR MAKING IT EVEN MORE SO DURING THIS DESIGNATED WEEK!

SCHOOL MEDICATIONS

PLEASE be sure to stop by the school office and pick up all medications you have here at school. Unclaimed medications will be disposed of after school gets out. **ALL MEDICATIONS MUST BE PICKED UP BY AN ADULT** - we can not send them home with students!

DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND PONDEROSA NEXT YEAR? If the answer to this question is no, please notify Jaime at the front desk as soon as possible. **DO YOU HAVE A NEW ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS?** If so, please let Jaime know. One of our first tasks in August is to get letters mailed out to families with important back to school details. We need current contact info to insure we can do this. You can reach Jaime at 355-4300. **THANK YOU!**

BEND FOOD PROJECT COLLECTION!

Our last Bend Food Project collection for the year will be Wednesday, June 14th. Please fill those green bags up with non-perishable food donations and return to your child's classroom on this day. The Ponderosa and Bend community thank you for making this project such a success. The needs of many are being met through your generosity. Our goal for the year is 8,000 lbs of food. We need 1775 lbs to make it. Thank you for helping!

SUMMER LEARNING CAMP!

We are excited to announce we will once again be offering Ponderosa Summer Learning Camp to all students who were registered to attend Ponderosa for the 2016-17 school year. Registration forms were sent home electronically or you may pick one up in the school office. Camp will take place every Tuesday from 9:30-11:00 from July 11th through August 22nd. Please have all registration forms turned in to the office no later than Friday, June 16th.

