

# EAGLE NEWS

APRIL 2017



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Join us for a night of free family fun!  
We will be playing a family friendly movie  
in the gym **Friday April 14th 6-8pm.**  
Snacks will be provided! Feel free to  
come in your PJs and bring your favorite  
stuffed friend!

## **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FALL 2017-18**

Registration packets are in the  
office and are available now.  
Kindergarten Open House  
at L.P. Brown—  
May 11 at 6pm



## **BROWN'S WORLD**

On April 26th, Brown's World testing will be  
on Asia, please con-  
tact [collette.rauch@live.com](mailto:collette.rauch@live.com) if you are able to  
volunteer to help test the students.

## **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS...**

### **APRIL 2017**

4/3-4/7—SPRING BREAK (NO SCHOOL)  
4/11—PTO COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER PICK UP (3-6PM)  
4/14—FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT (6-8PM)  
4/17-4/21—SNACK DRIVE  
4/18—4TH GRADE TESTING  
4/20—OJP 3RD-5TH GRADES (12:30PM)  
4/26—BROWN'S WORLD/ASIA  
4/26-4/28—CISPUS/5TH GRADE OUTDOOR SCHOOL  
4/27—4TH GRADE TESTING  
4/27—PTO BOX TOP COLLECTION  
4/25—CHARACTER ASSEMBLY/INTEGRITY

### **MAY 2017**

5/2—CLASS PICTURES  
5/2—3RD GRADE TESTING  
5/3—EARLY RELEASE/HALF DAY (12:30PM)  
5/4—4TH GRADE TESTING  
5/9—3RD & 5TH GRADE TESTING  
5/10—5TH GRADE TESTING  
5/11—4TH GRADE TESTING  
5/11—KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE (6-7PM)  
5/16—2ND & 3RD GRADE TESTING  
5/16—DLC ZOO FIELD TRIP  
5/17—2ND GRADE TESTING  
5/18—3RD & 4TH GRADE TESTING  
5/23—3RD & 5TH GRADE TESTING  
5/24—5TH GRADE TESTING  
5/25—4TH & 5TH GRADE TESTING  
5/25—GENERAL PTO MEETING (6-7:30 IN LIBRARY)  
5/29—NO SCHOOL/MEMORIAL DAY  
5/31—BROWN'S WORLD/AFRICA  
**5/31—3RD GRADE TESTING**

# Principal's Corner

Dear families,

Later this month and into next, students in grades three through five will take the state exams. This annual event provides one measure of a student's abilities and of a school's effectiveness. People approach these exams with a variety of reactions. Some feel they are valid; others think we should not judge students and teachers by a snapshot on a day in May. Love them or loathe them, the tests are currently part of our school landscape on the state and national levels.

The best we can do as a school is to keep the assessments in perspective. If we simply teach to the test, we miss the opportunity to provide each child with a well-rounded educational experience. Casually ignoring the tests would leave students unprepared for the rigorous thinking required by the exams - and life after school. We strive to strike a balance, believing that if we are providing our students a solid, invigorating education, the test scores will reflect our good work.

So as we look toward the testing season, we would ask that families partner with us when stressing the importance of taking the tests seriously while recognizing that they may not reflect the sum of a student's abilities.

With warm regards,

Joel Lang

## TESTING DATES:

4/18—4TH GRADE  
4/27—4TH GRADE  
5/2—3RD GRADE  
5/4—4TH GRADE  
5/9—3RD & 5TH GRADE  
5/10—5TH GRADE  
5/11—4TH GRADE  
5/16—2ND & 3RD GRADE  
5/17—2ND GRADE  
5/18—3RD & 4TH GRADE  
5/23—3RD & 5TH GRADE  
5/24—5TH GRADE  
5/25—4TH & 5TH GRADE  
5/31—3RD GRADE

## OSD NIGHT AT THE TACOMA RAINIERS



Tickets are available for the annual Olympia School District Night at the Tacoma Rainiers on Saturday, April 15.

The Rainiers will take on the Albuquerque Isotopes beginning at 5:05 p.m. at Cheney Stadium in Tacoma.

All students, families, teachers, staff and the Olympia School District community are invited to join us for this fun-filled district event. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us and show support for the Rainiers and our schools.

Last year we sold more than 200 tickets. Let's see if we can surpass that this year!

Be sure to arrive on time to watch Superintendent Dick Cvitanich throw out the ceremonial first pitch. Then stick around after the game for "Kids Run the Bases."

We hope to see you there!

## Olympia Junior Program

The following is the schedule for our students to attend the Olympia Junior Programs at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts. Students will depart the school 30 minutes prior to show time and will arrive back at LP Brown approximately 2 hours later. Please schedule appointments for after school time on these days.

3rd, 4th & 5th grades

The Incredible Undersea Trial  
Of Joeseph P Lawnboy

Thursday, April 20th @ 12:30

## **Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports (PBIS) News**

Spring is here and despite the days and days of rain as well as everyone's excitement about Spring Break approaching, our PBIS team continues to proactively problem-solve to keep positive behavior going strong. Remember, at LP Brown, our expectations are that all children are safe, kind, and responsible - in all settings across the school. Over the course of a day, students have many different adults working with them. Please remind children that part of being kind and responsible is showing respect to ALL adults at school (not just their teacher), which includes paras/aides, cafeteria staff, custodians, office staff, etc.). It also means that children are kind and inclusive of ALL of their peers, whether they are friends or know them or not. A good question to ask when you talk with your children about their day at school (*instead of "How was your day?"*) is: "Tell me something you did today that was safe, kind, and/or responsible."

## **next month.....Initiative**

### **Mark your Calendars for Fifth Grade Outdoor School**

Our fifth grade students will be attending Outdoor School at the Cispus Environmental Center in Randle, WA, **April 26th, 27th & 28th**. This will be a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday trip. The Center has been developed specifically for student's environmental studies and has excellent facilities for both study and research.

**Cost is \$150 per student. If you need to make payments, please call Shelley in the office to set up a payment plan. Also, if your student needs to take a prescription or over-the-counter medicine, the medicine and doctors permission form needs to be at school by Friday, April 14th.**

#### **Notice of Nondiscrimination 2016-17 School Year**

The Olympia School District will provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without discrimination based on race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. District programs will be free from sexual harassment. Auxiliary aids and services will be provided upon request to individuals with disabilities.

The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies, reports of alleged sexual harassment, concerns about compliance, and/or grievance procedures: Jeff Carpenter, Title IX Officer, (360) 596-8544; Kari Lewinsohn, Section 504 and ADA Coordinator, (360) 596-7538; and Scott Niemann, Affirmative Action Officer and Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator, (360) 596-6193. All three individuals may also be contacted at 1113 Legion Way S.E., Olympia, WA, 98501.