



BROOKDALE BOBCAT PRINTS

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Principal Message

A few reminders as we near the end of the school year - Teachers are teaching, and students are learning until the last day of school. As you know, on time daily attendance is vital to a successful school year. As we say every morning, "Brookdale Bobcats are on time, every day, ready to learn!" As the weather gets warmer (finally,) it is important to review the dress code policy in the Family Resource Handbook. It is especially important that students wear appropriate shoes to school. Due to safety concerns, open-toed, flip-flops, or shoes/sandals without backs are NOT to be worn at school. If you have questions about the dress code, please contact the office and we will be happy to send home a copy of Brookdale's dress code. Finally, please remember to follow our drop-off and pick-up expectations. These are in place to keep EVERYONE safe! If you are dropping off in the morning and/or picking your child up at the end of the day, please go through the valet system in the parking lot.

The Brookdale Walk-a-Thon is scheduled for Thursday, May 31! Coach TJ is planning a walk-a-thon to benefit the YMCA! Students will have the opportunity to collect pledges for the number of laps walked in a 30-minute block of time. Information and pledge sheets will be coming home soon!



THIS WEEK WE APPRECIATE OUR TEACHERS - The demands and responsibilities on teachers seem to get more intense every year, but our teachers rise to the occasion each and every day to meet the needs of our Bobcats. They design engaging and rigorous lessons to support a wide range of learners. They continuously gather evidence of student learning and work together to identify and address the individual academic and social needs of our students. Their hard work and effort extend well beyond the school day. I consider myself so blessed to be a part of such an amazing group of educators! Please join me in recognizing these outstanding teachers:

Jessica Leuthold
Bert Hazen
Brien Woods
Toni Sherry
Michelle Wagner
Janay Mose
Lavonna Miesse
Jennifer Verkuyl

Briana Cheema
Kurt Brandner
Deena Yarina
Elizabeth Helt
Melinda Jenkins
Leif Wanager
Melissa Dixon
Jill Ann Hills

Laura Johnson
Crystal Riley
Malissa Dolly
Shelby O'Connor
Wendy Moore
Kristie Hursh
TJ (Coach) Gile

Valerie Martin
Katie Loman
Rachel Totten
Shanan Mason
Tony Lemocelli
Torie Blanas
Kelsey Hamm



SCHOOL NURSE APPRECIATION IS THIS WEEK! - We are so lucky to have Mrs. Van monitoring our health room. She is in charge of making sure students are up-to-date with vaccinations, monitoring student health plans, and providing students with tender loving care when they come to the health room with bumps, scrapes, or minor illnesses. Mrs. Van has an important job and we thank her for all she does every day for Brookdale's students and staff!



MUFFINS WITH MOM - Please join us on Friday, May 11, from 8:15 to 8:40 a.m. We invite all moms, grandmas, aunts, or any special women in your child's life to come enjoy milk, coffee, and delicious muffins with your children before school. It is an opportunity to spend a fun half hour with your child, say hello to your child's teacher, and perhaps meet other moms/ladies at the school.

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

May 9 and 16 ~ 2:00 dismissal

May 23 ~ Conference Week ~ 12:00

May 30 ~ 3:30 dismissal

CONFERENCE WEEK - Please plan ahead - Monday, May 21 through Thursday, May 24 have been set aside for Student Led Conferences. **On these four days all students will be dismissed at 12:00.** This is an important celebration time for your child to share with you their progress this year and their goals for next year. Children are working hard to prepare their presentation for you. Your child's teacher will also be available for questions and goal setting. **Please make every effort to come to your child's scheduled conference. Notices will be coming out soon from your child's teacher.** We ask that you do not bring other children to the student led conference so that full attention can be given to the "star of the conference".



CAMP COUNSELORS - In addition to having a blast, fifth graders enjoyed fun, exciting, engaging and rigorous educational opportunities at Camp Colman. We want to thank the following dedicated parents who served as camp counselors: Andrew Ames, Katherine Santiago, Olivia Venable, Sissy Johnson, Josh Yost, Heath Wright, Rodrigo Bautista Garcia, Dmitri Levinski, Shelby Arcuri, Stacy Qunell, Joe Leonard, Heidi Lopez, Stephanie Spencer, Vickie Pettibone, Dennis Roque. This was an especially big commitment that called for endurance, patience, a love for children, a sense of humor, and quite possibly included sleep deprivation. We appreciate your support of our fifth graders.

Finally, camp would not be possible without the dedicated work of our fifth grade team and office staff. It's difficult to imagine all of the time it takes to organize, handle the logistics, prepare the folders, coordinate fundraisers, handle the finances...the list goes on and on. Thank you, Mr. Wanager, Mr. Lemoncelli, Mrs. Moore, Miss Mose and Mrs. Yant.

BOBCAT PRIDE AWARD WINNERS - We are proud of our students who were recognized at our Bobcat Pride Assembly on Thursday, May 3rd. Way to Go!

- Zy'aire Brazier, Aidan De Guzman, and Elijah Latin Henley were our Principal Award t-shirt winners.
- March student attendance winners were Amy Li and Devinemercy Liulevaega, they received a \$10.00 gift card from Mrs. Holman. Congratulations to Mrs. Loman's class for having 98.18% attendance for the month of April.
- Our Pizza with the Principal winners are: Nylah O'Neal, Naomi Lefeau, Mark Burlak, Autumn Edwards, Jelina Moon and Daisie Armbrust. They will enjoy a pizza lunch with Mrs. Holman on Tuesday, May 8.

Being Thoughtful

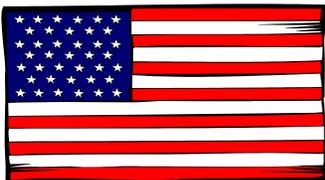
Julia Edland
Justin Primo
Nathan Ames
Tiana Van
Rosalani Ignacio
Ashanae Wilkins
Kylie Rose
Maxwell Mason
Alesia Bohanna
Gabrielle Grande
Aidan Fisher
Jasmine Roberts
Louden Leia
Michael Lefeau
Anay Romero Lemus

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Sariah Hansen
Melasitah Faaitu
Isaiah Malaga
Arabella Rodriguez
Olivia Hewitt
Yareli Martinez Zuniga
Sarah Anderson
Bryce Spencer
Shayna Primo
Phynix Lucero
Mark Burlak
Sonia Caravantes
Naomi Lefeau
Lilianah Satiacum
Anaiah Hoehn

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Xavier McDaniel
Mia Laguer
Zy'Erah Lee
Messiah Soeung Thong
Adam Masoner
Landen Richardson
Christopher Michael
Daveigha Walker
Corrine Talbot
Isabel Martin
Victor Velasquez
Christina Melendez-Andres
Isaiah Sison
Noelani Sasa



No School on Friday, May 25 or
Monday, May 28 in observance of
Memorial Day

TO THE PARENTS OF FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS - As part of our health curriculum and our endeavor to teach a better understanding of the reproductive system and impending body changes, we will be showing a film entitled "**Always Changing...About You**". Boys and girls view the film separately. The students will bring home booklets addressing the subject matter after the presentation. If you have questions regarding these films, please contact our nurse, Jen Van, at 253-298-3124. The students will be viewing these films on Friday, May 18.

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SBA TESTING CONTINUES - Bobcats are doing great so far. Here is the testing schedule for May and June.

3rd grade: May 31 and June 1

4th grade: May 29, 30, 31, June 1 - Excel May 15, 16, 18

5th grade: May 8, 9, 10, June 4, 5 - Excel May 15, 16, 18

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 5TH GRADE PROMOTION CEREMONY

We are looking for 4th and 5th grade parents to volunteer to help with the 5th grade promotion on Thursday, June 14 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. We would like 5th grade parents to be involved with planning this special day. It is a tradition at Brookdale that 4th grade parents help with set up/clean up so the 5th grade parents can spend time with their children. This will also allow the 4th grade parents to get some ideas for next year's promotion ceremony. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call the office at 253-298-3100. Thank you!!

OUR PTA CORNER

2018-2019 PTA OFFICERS - We will be electing our new officers at the next PTA meeting this **Friday, June 1st** at 4:00 pm in the Library. We need at least 10 PTA members present for a quorum. You can nominate yourself or a friend or better yet share a position with someone. PTA is a wonderful opportunity to support and advocate for your children and our school. You must be a PTA member for a minimum of 30 days prior to being voted into a position. If you are interested in a position or would like to nominate someone, please send an email to brookdaleptapresident@gmail.com or send a note to the office.

2018/2019 SCHOOL YEAR - We are beginning our plans for next school year. During the next month, we will order instructional materials and supplies, put together classes and the various schedules that must be carefully coordinated in order for our school to run smoothly. To help us with this planning, please let us know if you are planning to move. Fill out the information below and send it to our school office if you are **not** planning to have your child(ren) attend Brookdale next school year.

The following student(s) will **not** be attending Brookdale School next school year:

Student _____ Teacher _____

Student _____ Teacher _____

_____ in _____
 (Name of New School) (New District or State)