

# PRIDE PRESS

North Bend Elementary School  
Jim Frazier, Principal

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Denae McGregor, Editor

Dear Parents and Families,

**The end is in sight!** – It is hard to believe that the last day of school for this year is June 26<sup>th</sup>. We invite you to attend our **School Field Day** on June 21<sup>st</sup>. The Field Day is from 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Note the enclosed Event Calendar for other school activities from June through September.

**Student enrollment, teacher and staff assignments for next year** – Currently enrollment for next fall will be approximately the same as this school year (500 students). We will have some staffing changes for the 2007-2008 school year. **Tom Fladland** will move from 5<sup>th</sup> grade back to 4<sup>th</sup> grade. **Kay Grady** who is teaching 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is retiring from a rewarding educational career and her successor is **Natalie Campbell**. There are two additions to our specialty classroom staff. **Traci Tawney** has been hired to teach the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade specialty classroom students. In addition to Traci in the specialty classroom **Jill Holen** has been transferred to NBE from Chief Kanim as an instructional assistant. The last position to be filled is a one-year replacement for **Amber Burton Gerth** in the 1<sup>st</sup> grade. This will be official in the next week. All other staff will be teaching at his or her same grade level for next year.

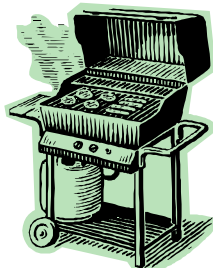
**NBE bell times for 2007-2008** – Bell times will not change for next year.

**Artist in Residence (AIR)** – A huge thank you to our PTA for sponsoring our AIR program. This has been a trial 6-week program designed to enrich our current curriculum with the integration of art. Crystal Prins, Lynn Creed, and Sam Sinanan have provided our students with phenomenal art projects that relate to and are integrated with their current studies. The following is a list of projects the students have been working on for the past 6 weeks: Wire garden stake, clay plaque stepping stone, animal mask, bug mobile, crayon resist water color, Inca mask, 3-D butterfly garden, Haida salmon transparency, Puget Sound clay creature, geometric felt quilt, self portrait wire sculpture, Ukiyo-e print, charcoal self portrait, clay tile relief sculpture, and metal tooling bookmark. This has been an incredible addition and extension to the learning in each classroom. Your children have been enriched with art. During this 6-week program six grade levels have met three times each, 19 different lessons, 72 classes, and 1,400 student projects. Thank you PTA!

**Thank you and have a wonderful summer** – Our entire staff wants to thank you for the privilege of working with your sons and daughters here at NBE. Students have made considerable progress in their learning and in their growth as young people. We wish you a safe and enjoyable summer together with your children, extended family, and friends. Personally, I want to thank you for the continued support you show in our school and in the future of our students. Without you our goals would never be reached. Keep up the excellent work!

Sincerely,

Jim Frazier  
Principal



## Items to Note ...



- ◆ We welcome to our school: Hannah Oberg and Wendy Hills.
- ◆ Please check the lost and found, as all clothing will be donated to charity.

### From the Nurses Office



### HEALTH SERVICES – END OF THE YEAR INFORMATION

With the end of the school year fast approaching, your school nurse would like to remind those parents with medications at school for your child to make sure that these medications are picked up and taken home. Any medication left by the end of the day on June 27th, will be destroyed.

If your child requires medications to be given at school next fall, please remember that **new parent permission slips** and **physician's orders** must be received before any medications can be given. You can download the forms from the District website or pick them up at your school.

If your child has an Individual Health Care Plan on file at school, the school nurse will be contacting you about any changes in your child's health conditions or medications prior to the end of June or the beginning of the new school year. Please make sure to update any information that is necessary.

### News From the Librarian:

The District's seventh annual Battle of the Books, held on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Cascade View, ended with our own team as the winner. This was the third year we participated and our second win. The competition was a real nail-biter. All the teams were within an answer or two of being the champions. Our team, The Series Sisters, consisting of Emma Panciroli, Ali Raphael, Madeline Ashby, Bailey Scott and Robyn Langevin, battled last year, but were not victorious. This year they practiced quite a bit during recesses and even meeting on their own time to quiz each other. Their hard work paid off.

These girls beat seven other teams at NBE to go to the District finals. When the teams were whittled down to just four teams in the semi finals, the girls were challenged against three all boy teams. The fourth grade boys vow to participate again next year.

The district librarians chose 14 books and wrote 25 questions per book. The hardest questions were kept under lock and key for the finals. The other questions were used for practice and within the building competition. The books this year were:

- Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver
- The Story of a Seagull and the Cat who Taught her to Fly by Luis Sepulveda
- A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle
- The Green Dog : A Mostly True Story by Suzanne Fisher Staples
- Boston Jane: An Adventure by Jennifer Holm
- Eager by Helen Fox
- Escaping the Giant Wave by Peg Kehret
- Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
- The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo
- Peter and the Star Catchers by Dave Berry
- Running out of Time by Margaret Peterson Haddix
- Shredderman: Secret Identity by Wendeline Van Draanen





**ALENDAR:**

**Thursday, June 7:**

Kindergarteners to Woodland Park Zoo, 9:15-3:00 pm  
Grade 5 visits SMS and CKMS, 1:00 pm  
School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm



**Friday, June 8:**

Grade 2 to Woodland Park Zoo, 9:30-3:00 pm  
Full Day of School, Dismissal, 3:25 pm

**Tuesday, June 12:**

PTA General Meeting, 6:00 pm, Library

**Thursday, June 14:**

Grade 1 to Pt. Defiance Zoo



**Friday, June 15:**

Popcorn Friday  
Early Release Day, Dismissal at 10:45 am, Grade KAM  
Early Release Day, Dismissal at 1:25 pm, Grade KPM  
Early Release Day, Dismissal at 1:25 pm, Grades 1-5, FDK

**Tuesday, June 19:**

Volunteer Celebration, 3:30 pm, Library

**Thursday, June 21:**

Field Day, 1-3 pm  
School Board Meeting, 7:30 pm



**Friday, June 22:**

Grade 2 to EJ Roberts Park, 9:30-12:30  
Early Release Day, Dismissal at 10:45 am, Grade KAM  
Early Release Day, Dismissal at 1:25 pm, Grade KPM  
Early Release Day, Dismissal at 1:25 pm, Grades 1-5, FDK  
Grade 4 Lock-In, 5:30—7:00 pm

**Monday, June 25:**

Grade 4 to R J Roberts Park, 12:15-1:45  
Last Day for all Kindergarteners

**Tuesday, June 26:**

Last Day for Grades 1-5, Dismissal at 11:55 am

**Tuesday, September 4:**

Meet Your Teacher, 3:00-4:00 pm

**Wednesday, September 5:**

First Day of Grades 1-5



**Monday, September 10:**

First Day for All Kindergarteners

