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March

- 2 Read Across America Day
- 2 Dine Out for Salmon Bay at the Hi-Life
- **3** Auction Decorating Party (6-8 pm)
- 4-6 Fifth Grade Shakespeare Performances
- 10 Envelope stuffing in cafeteria (8:45am)
- 10 Finance Committee Meeting
- **12** Inclusion in Schools Discussion (6 pm)
- 12 FOSB Meeting (7 pm)
- 14 Garden work party (10am 2pm)
- 24 Auction Decorating Party (6 pm)
- **26 28** Jungle Book Performances
- 30 PIE Presents: Jody Mcvittie??

*For more details on these events, check out the <u>Events and Gatherings</u> section of this newsletter.

As Seen In The Hallways

A Note From Your Volunteer Coordinators

Kudos to You

Special thanks to Heather Fuller who worked 10+ hours helping Barbara on an organization project in the art room. And, a great big thank you to the crew of cooks who provided a delicious dinner for our teachers on Tuesday night and to all those who lent a hand to make tours a success.

Volunteer Needs

We have lots of volunteer needs associated with our auction. Please see the auction section below for details.

Read Across America Day



Salmon Bay will be celebrating Read Across America Day next week. Plans are underway for a classroom door decorating contest and reading displays throughout the school.

We'd like to invite you to bring in a photo of your

family reading together to be added to our "Salmon Bay Reads" wall. Stop by the front lobby next week and add your picture to the collection.

Then, send your student to school dressed as a literary character on Friday, March 6th.

Fundraising News

Have you seen the Twelfth Night photos in the hallway? Posters are up advetising 12th Night, our 5th grade Shakespeare Production. Take a moment to admire the photos as you stroll through school and plan to attend a performance next week. Cast A performs Wednesday night at 7 pm, Cast B performs Thursday night at 7 pm.



After School Programs and Clubs Spring 2015 Offerings

Registration materials for after school programs will be available next week but we wanted to give you a preview of the offerings (see below). Email <u>Monica</u> with questions.

Mondays

AM: Mr. G's Unicycle - Mon/Tues (Gr: 2-5) \$50 cost for both days

<u>Tuesdays</u>

AM: Mr. G's Unicycle - Mon/Tue (Gr: 2-5) \$50 cost for both days

PM: Fiber Arts Creation (Gr: K-5) \$168

PM: Math Circle (Gr: 2-3) \$TBD

Wednesdays

AM: Next Generation Yoga - (Gr:2/5) \$130 PM: Science/Physics FUNdamentals (GR:3-5) \$100

<u>Thursdays</u>

PM: Creative Coding 4 Kids (Gr: 3-5) \$214 PM: Knitting (Gr: 1-8, all levels) \$40

Fridays

AM: Mr. G's Kids on the Run (all kids & parents) \$15

AM: Jumpin J's (Grade: 2-8) \$103 this class is underway, if you want your child to join,email <u>Monica</u> to register.



Dine Out For Salmon Bay

Treat yourself at The Hi-Life next Monday, March 2nd! Salmon Bay receives 25 percent of all food sales for the whole day (8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.) so tell your friends and neighbors to drop in for good food in support of our school. Please refer a any questions about this event to <u>Michele Bacon</u>.

Auction News



Raffle Winner

A big thanks to all of you who had your donations in by February 20th. Audrey Lee was our early donation raffle winner. Congrats Audrey! There's still time to donate. Even though there's not a prize in it for you, please keep those donations coming.

Help With Decorations

We need people to help cut out paper decorations (fish, cowboy hats, and horseshoes ... oh, my!). This is a job you can do on your own time. If you were, hypothetically, a person who feels a little guilty for the hours you spend watching *The Bachelor* ... this is something you could do while you watch to feel just a little less bad about your habit.

Mailing Work Party

Join us on March 10th after drop-off to stuff envelopes and get the auction invitations in the mail.

Auction's Most Wanted Donations

- Vacation Getaways/Cabins
- Parties
- Tickets to Performances and Sporting Events
- Unique Experiences
- Family Outings

PM: Bricks4Kidz (Gr: 2-5) \$144

Please see below for additional spring classes offered by the drama committee.

Afterschool Drama

Middle School Play

This spring, the Salmon Bay Drama Committee is producing "Holes" by Louis Sachar, directed by Seattle-area theatre artist, Tara Kaine. "Holes" is a story about friendship, courage, standing up for what you believe in, and never giving up. Through this play we will meet and become some of the wildest and wackiest characters that have graced the Salmon Bay stage. All Salmon Bay Middle School students interested in being a part of the cast are encouraged to audition. To audition you must sign up for a slot through our sign up genius before March 15th. Auditions will be held from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. March 16 and 18. Callbacks will be March 20. Rehearsals will be held M, W, and F until the final two weeks of production, when actors may be called daily. Performances are May 28-30. There is a \$100 student activity fee associated with this production.

For additional information about auditions (including monologues and sides and forms), please check out the <u>Drama Website</u>. For more information about this opportunity, please contact Drama Committee co-chairs, <u>Lori Mudge</u> or <u>Nan Houston</u>.

Spring Drama Classes

Theatre Tech Class for 4-8 Grade Students:

Salmon Bay students interested in deepening their understanding of and experience with theatre tech, including lighting, sound, and stage management are encouraged to sign up for this class taught by Michael Massey. Michael is a Stage Manager and Teaching Artist for technical theatre in the Seattle area. He has taught stage management and backstage courses with The Northwest School, Cornish, Seattle Children's Theatre, and UT Austin. Class will be held Wednesdays beginning April 1 and will culminate with running tech for the Middle School play, "Holes." There is a \$100 student activity fee associated with this opportunity. Class size is limited to 10 students and will fill on a first registered, first served basis.

Monologue and Scene Study Class:

Monologues can be the trickiest thing to master as an actor. Each monologue is a concise scene. Within 60 seconds, an actor must convey who they are talking to, what happened the moment before, and what their objective is. In

Auction's Most Wanted Volunteers

- Bid recorders (3)
- Hauling helpers (2)
- Check-out computer helpers (5)
- Silent auction helpers (3)
- Cooks to feel volunteers lunch (5)

If you can help with one of these needs, please email <u>Stephanie</u> or <u>Kristina</u>.

Dessert Dash

Looking for a low-effort, high-impact way to help out at this year's auction? Here's an opportunity for you! We're looking for volunteers to help stock the table for the ever-popular Dessert Dash. Simply bring dessert for 8-10 folks with you to North Seattle Community College on Auction Night and hungry bidders will take over from there. What could be easier? To sign up, please contact Kelly Bryant at kbryant96@yahoo.com. See you and your sweet tooth on April 4th.

Wine Grab

We need wine for the wine grab. If you have a bottle to contribute (\$15+ value) please drop it off on the Cerise's front porch: 6508 17th Ave NW (one block from school).

FOSB

February minutes are posted <u>HERE</u>.

This is Mary's last year as FOSB Secretary. If you would be willing to serve as Secretary (or are, at least, curious enough to want to know more about the position), please email <u>Mary</u>.

Notes from the Lunchroom

This Monday, March 2nd, there will be coloring pages for you to enjoy in the lunchroom during breakfast to celebrate Dr. Seuss's Birthday.

This is the last week to enter the iBreakfast School Breakfast Competition! Stop by the lunchroom for breakfast to enter the competition. Winners will be selected Friday March 6th to win an iPad mini or iTunes cards.

Breakfast Menu this week:

Monday 2nd: Egg & Cheese Burrito Tuesday 3rd: Breakfast Pizza Wednesday 4th: Waffles with Berries Thursday 5th: Sausage Muffin Friday 6th: Homemade Banana Bread

School Events and Gatherings

Nyer Urness House Dinner

ASB's next monthly dinner at <u>Nyer Urness House</u> is next Monday, March 9th. There are still several food items needed. Food needs for the next meal include: ground beef; chicken; beans; lettuce; drinks and more. Please use <u>sign-up genius</u> to commit to volunteering your time or providing food donations. Drop off food in

this class, older students will explore objective, tactics, and how to make strong choices through comedic and tragic monologues. Once these skills are mastered, they will introduce another person into the equation. Through scene work, students will focus on listening and authentically reacting to what their partner is contributing to the scene. This class will give seasoned performers a chance to deepen their skills and newer performers a chance to become more comfortable developing a character and being in the moment. We have a limited number of slots available for this class. Registration is open to 6-8 Salmon Bay students at this time. On March 17 we will open the class to 4-5 grade students, space permitting. Spaces will be filled on a first registered, first serve basis.

This class will be held for eight weeks on Thursdays from 3:15 to 5:15 beginning April 2 and ending May 28. There will be a showcase presentation at the last class. Local theatre artist and director, Laura Knote, will teach this class. The student activity fee is \$100.

Playwriting for 4-5 Grade Students:

Everybody has a story to tell. Sometimes these stories don't have the opportunity to be heard. Through acting exercises, we will explore different themes, characters, environments, and types of conflicts that are present in students' lives. Students will have the opportunity to write individual scenes with well-defined characters, an intriguing plot, and a conclusion that ties it all together. Using ideas from the group's work, we will work together to write a full length play that may be produced at Salmon Bay next winter by K-4 students. Laura Knote, will teach this course. Classes will be held after school, from 3:15 to 5:15 Mondays and Wednesdays for five weeks beginning April 27. Space for this class is limited to 14 students. Class will fill on a first-registered, first-served basis. There is a \$100 student activity fee associated with this class.

Interested in one of these opportunities?

For more information about these opportunities and to access the forms needed to register, please visit the <u>Salmon Bay Drama website</u>. You can also contact Drama Committee cochairs, <u>Lori Mudge</u> or <u>Nan Houston</u>.

Athletics

<u>Basketball</u>



Come support the panthers on the court this Saturday.

Varsity Boys vs. Madrona - 1:00 @Nathan Hale Varsity Girls vs. Madrona - 1:00 @Nathan Hale JV Boys vs. Hamilton - 11:30 @ Jane Addams JV Girls - BYE the school lobby on Monday between 8-10am. Contact <u>Glyde</u> with questions.

Our Community: A Closer Look at Diverse Learners

Salmon Bay has a creative and diverse student body whose needs are met daily through a variety of differentiated instruction techniques and programs. Come join us and learn more about how this works for all our kids on Tuesday, March 12th from 6-7pm (before the FOSB business meeting). There will be a short informational presentation and discussion by a staff/parent panel and time for Q&A. This event is sponsored by the Parent Information Exchange (PIE) and part of a series of adult events aimed at helping us learn more about our school.

Earth Day Preparations

Spring is here! Plants are blooming! Help us tidy up the school garden beds at a garden work party on Saturday, March 14th from 10am to 2pm. We want to get the beds prepped and ready for students to do some Earth Day planting. Contact Laura with questions.

If you aren't able to attend the work party but still want to help spruce things up, please consider contributing bulbs for our Earth Day planting effort. Bulbs can be delivered to the Volunteer Coordinator office any time between now and April 10th. We need:

- · Daffodils (any variety)
- Tulips (white or red)
- Crocuses (any variety)

Community Announcements

Pokemon on the Playground

Meet on the playground after school (weather permitting) on Tuesdays starting in March. Bring your deck and come play the game with other kids. Look for the red tablecloth. All ages and skill levels welcome. This is an unsupervised, kid-initiated meet-up - not a drop off club or after school program. For more info, contact <u>Kara.</u>

Polar Science Weekend

This weekend is <u>Polar Science Weekend</u> at Pacific Science Center. Uncover secrets of narwhals and polar bears and investigate a real ice core from Greenland.

Lake Washington Rowing Club Camps

The LWRC juniors program accepts students in grades 7 through 12. This program offers a unique rowing experience with emphasis on skill development, technique, and strength training. In addition to focusing on small boat practice, training incorporates yoga, Ergometers, and calisthenics. This program is open to all skill levels, including brand new rowers. Spring program begins March 2nd, and summer camps start June 22. Find out more details on the LWRC website or by emailing Jeannie.

UW Summer Program

The UW Summer Youth Program offers a variety of camps and classes for middle school students.

Ultimate Frisbee

Spring Ultimate Frisbee for 3rd-8th grade students began today!! Information was emailed to all 3rd-8th grade families and students were given paper copies of registration forms earlier this week.

Elementary practices will be on Fridays at the Salmon Bay Upper field afterschool until 4:30 p.m. Games are on Saturdays and last for an hour. -There will be a co-ed team at each grade level (3rd, 4th and 5th)

Middle School practices are on Tuesday and Thursdays from end of school until 5:00 p.m. Tuesday practices are at Loyal Heights and Thursday practices are at Salmon Bay. Games are on Saturdays.There will be a co-ed team at each grade level (6th, 7th and 8th).

For more information about Salmon Bay Athletics, contact Megan Ratcliffe, Athletic Director.

Bulletin Submissions

We welcome submissions to our weekly Bulletin. Email submissions to <u>Jodi</u> or <u>Kristina</u> by noon on Thursdays. Classes range from STEM-focused offerings to arts and humanities. A partial list of classes includes: Electronics Technology: The Life of a Cell Phone; Book-Making Intensive; Computing with Scratch, Electronic Music Gizmos; Giant Puppet-Making; Fiber-Arts Sculpture, and more. For complete details visit their <u>website</u>.

Spring Break Glass Making Camps

Join local glass artist/teacher/mom Marcia Wiley in her north Ballard studio learning about the magic of glass. Make fused glass window ornaments with dichroic glass, copper and glow in the dark glass, and go on a special glass field trip. All day (9:30-3) Before and aftercare available. \$97 includes glass materials, field trip, kiln time and snacks. \$179 for two siblings. Call Marcia at 206 619 8613 or register <u>here</u>.

Space to Create Classes

There are 2 spots left in the Explore Italy through Food and Art Spring Break Camp! 9:30-3:00, Ages:8-14

The Magic of Photography with Kevin Junker Adult Class on March 3, 11, and 18th from 6:30 - 9:30

Mosaic Mirrors March 9th and 16th from 3:30 - 5

Machine Sewing: lunch bag March 11 and 18th from 4:00 - 5:30

For more information visit the website.

TZA Track and Field Club

The Throwing Zone Athletics Track and Field Club is a training and competition club for explosive youth athletes: mini-javelin, shot put, short sprint, and long jump are the focus. Boys and Girls ages 14 and under are welcome to participate. Training is optional and twice a week in the Spring and Summer with competition in the late Spring and Summer. Practices are held at Ballard HS and Nathan Hale HS. For more information please visit our website.

Rite of Passage Wilderness Journeys

Journeys is not your typical summer camp. Our summer youth programs, for ages 8 - 18, help young people navigate the journey from childhood to adulthood in a supported, mentored way. Led by a team of experienced wilderness mentors, participants will safely experience the physical challenges of demanding mountain backpacking as well as the interpersonal themes of self-reliance, responsibility to self and others, group dynamics and conflict resolution. Along with the demands of physical exertion, come nighttime campfires, story-telling, stargazing and the beauty of the Pacific Northwest wilderness and beaches. Additional information is available on our<u>website</u>.

Seeking Host Families for Summer

The World Affairs Council is seeking globally-minded families and individuals in the greater Seattle area to provide a 1-2 week home stay for Youth Leaders from Mexico, Iraq, Latin America, the Middle East &

North Africa, and South Korea & Japan this summer. These Youth Leaders - selected through a competitive, merit-based application process - will participate in a program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and organized by the World Affairs Council aimed at empowering the next generation of leaders from around the world! For more information about the programs and hosting, check out our <u>website</u> or contact Rachel at rparislambert@world-affairs.org

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