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Philomath Elementary School—Blodgett Elementary School



January

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Parent Club Meeting at 7:00pm in the PES Library Talent Show Permission Slips Due	16	17 3rd Grade Field Trip to Soft Star Shoes Bell: 8:25—10:00 DenHerder: 12:05—1:20	18	19
20	21 No School — Martin Luther King Jr. Day	22 OBOB Permission Slips Due	23	24 3rd Grade Field Trip to Soft Star Shoes Roshak: 8:25—10:00 Hernandez: 12:05—1:20	25 No School — Conference/ Grading Day	26
27	28	29 Dental Sealants 8:30am	30 Talent Show Auditions: 3:05—3:45	31 Talent Show Auditions: 3:05—3:45	Feb. 1 PES Assembly 8:30—9:30am	Feb 2
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FLASH ALERT

The weather is quickly changing and we all want to be prepared. To stay updated with any 2hour delays or school closures due to weather, you can subscribe to "Flash Alert" to get the quickest information regarding our Philomath School District.

www.flashalert.net

- 1) Visit the District webpage: www.philomathsd.net
- 2) Hover over the "Parents" Tab
- 3) Select "School Closure Information"

The webpage has:

- * The link to sign up to receive alerts
- * Flash Alert instructions
- * School Closure Policy
- * Alternate bus routes



PES 2nd Annual Talent Show

Philomath Elementary looks forward to our annual talent show on February 8th from 8:30—9:30am. Any PES student, grades 2nd—5th are eligible to enter. Performances may include singing, dancing, instrumental performance, dramatic or comedy skit, magic, etc. If your student would like to perform, a permission slip must be turned in by Tuesday, Jan 15th. Students can pick up a permission slip from their teacher. The permission slip has additional information and list of rules.

Auditions:

Jan 30th and 31st from 3:05—4:00pm each day

Dress Rehearsal:

Feb 5th from 3:05—4:05pm

Talent Show:

Feb 8th from 8:30—9:30am



Transportation must be arranged prior to the audition and dress rehearsal dates. Please send a note with your child on those days indicating how they will get home.

Oregon Battle of the Books

OBOB is ready to begin for the year at Philomath Elementary School! This opportunity is open to students in 3rd-5th grade. Teams of students involved in this opportunity read books from a selected list and compete with one another on information from the books. Our process will look different this year.

Students will be able to pick their own teams this year and find a volunteer adult coach to work with their team. This volunteer will support students through reading and quizzing on the specific books. If needed, the school can provide space before school, after school, and/or at lunch for teams to meet. Permission slips are due by January 22, 2019.

If your child is interested in participating, or if you would like to volunteer as an adult coach, packets are provided in the PES office. Packets include: general information, a book list, student permission form, and a coach contract.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!
541-929-3253.

Upcoming Events at PES:

2/4—Monday—Dental Sealants
2/5—Tuesday—Talent Show Dress Rehearsal
2/8—Friday—Talent Show 8:30—9:30am
2/11—Monday—Mock OBOB Battle
2/12—Tuesday—Mock OBOB Battle
2/12—Tuesday—Parent Club Meeting
2/14—Thursday—Valentine's Day
2/15—Friday—Make-Up Day
2/15—Monday—Make-Up Day
2/19—Tuesday—Preliminary OBOB Battles
2/20—Wednesday—Preliminary OBOB Battles
2/21—Thursday—5th Grade Gallery Night
2/26—Tuesday—OBOB Final Battle 6:00pm @ PES



Girls on the Run



Register your 3rd-5th grade daughter for Philomath Girls on the Run today! The program starts April 2nd and runs through June 6th. The concluding 5K will take place June 8th. We'll meet Tues. and Thurs. from 2:50 pm to 4:20 pm at Philomath Elementary School. We'll teach life skills through fun, engaging lessons that celebrate the joy of movement. The 20-lesson curriculum is taught by certified Girls on the Run® coaches and includes three parts: understanding ourselves, valuing relationships and teamwork and understanding how we connect with and shape the world at large. Over the course of the program, girls will develop and improve **competence**, feel **confidence** in who they are, develop strength of **character**, respond to others and oneself with **care** and **compassion**, create positive **connections** with peers and adults, and make a meaningful **contribution** to community and society.

At the end of the spring season the girls and their running buddies will complete a 5k running event. Completing a 5k gives the girls a tangible sense of achievement as well as a framework for setting and achieving life goals. The results are the same—making the seemingly impossible, possible.

Simple, engaging and extraordinary. The result? Healthy, confident girls who can. Register today, go to <http://www.gotrwillamette.org/> You can also contact Kristin Knutson for more information at 541-760-5813. Registration is open now through Jan. 31, 2019.

The Great Kindness Challenge: January 28 - February 1

The Great Kindness Challenge provides opportunities that actively engage schools in recognizing, remembering, and/or reacting in a culture of compassion, acceptance, unity, and respect. Celebrated across the country, this challenge devotes one week to performing as many acts of kindness as possible. By accepting the challenge, students and staff show the world that kindness matters.

Some of the challenges include the following:

- * Smile at 25 people.
- * Make a new friend.
- * Pick up trash outside your school.
- * Offer to help your custodian.
- * Sit with a new group of kids at lunch.
- * Thanks a bus driver or carpool driver.



Canned Food Drive

During the week of December 10—13, PES students participated in a canned food drive.

2nd Grade: 354

3rd Grade: 334

4th Grade: 425

5th Grade: 473

Grand Total: 1,586 items of food!

Thank you, PES students and families for supporting our community!

Falcon T-Shirt and Sweatshirt Order Update:

We apologize for the delayed order completion for those of you ordering shirts, sweatshirts, and/or book bags. We are hoping to receive the items by Thursday, the 17th! We will let you know as soon as items come in and orders are complete. Thanks so much for your patience!



Family Movie Night!!

Friday, March 1st at 6:00pm

Come Celebrate Dr. Seuss's Birthday with us!!

Bring the pillows, blankets and family!

Join us for popcorn and a movie

on the big screen in the Philomath Elementary Gym!



Philomath Community Library

Events in January for elementary age kids:

Maker Club:

January 14th
3:30—5:00pm

Stop by our "Petting Zoo" of makery-things! Explore 3D Printing, Snap Circuits, Little Bits, Scratch, have a turn at a Virtual Reality Game...and more!

Craft-A-Palooza:

January 28th
3:30—4:30pm

Come drop by, color, paint, and/or make fun crafts with your friends the 3rd Monday of every month! A new project will be available each session. Ages 5-12. Supplies provided by the library!



Attendance Matters

Student attendance continues to be a positive goal of focus for Philomath Elementary and Blodgett schools. At the elementary level, it is very important for students to be on time and in class each and every day.

Since we know attendance at school matters a great deal, here are some tips to help support your efforts with your children.

- Set a regular bed time and morning routine
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before
- Avoid medical appointments and extended trips when school is in session.
- Don't let your child stay home unless he/she is truly sick. Keep in mind complaints of a stomach ache or headache can be a sign of anxiety and not a reason to stay home.

More information on regular attendance and its impact on student success can be found at www.attendanceworks.org



Character Trait of the Month

*** Trustworthy ***

Acting in a way you know to be right and kind in all situations. Able to be relied on to be honest or truthful.

Our monthly Character Trait Assembly at PES is on February 1st at 8:30am. Please feel free to join us!

SPIRIT DAYS for January

Tues, January 15—National Hat Day—wear your favorite (or silliest) hat to school!

Thurs, January 31st—National Backwards Clothes Day—wear your clothes backwards!

