



Upcoming Events

Fri. 6/14-11:00
Last Day of School

Summer School!
Dates and Times
June 24—Aug. 15
(except 7/4)
9:00—3:00
Mon.—Thurs.

This program is open to students entering grades 1-8. It is being offered in conjunction with the Jefferson County YMCA. With a generous grant from Jefferson Healthcare, summer school has been expanded to 8 weeks and will include weekly art lessons by Mrs. H., field trips to Dosewallips State Park and Weds. morning trips to swim at Pleasant Harbor Marina starting July 10th. An enrollment packet can be found on the website:

www.bsd46.org

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From the Principal/Superintendent

As the 2018-2019 school year comes to a close, there are so many wonderful memories and accomplishments to reflect on. The newest exciting news is that we were recently notified that the Brinnon School District received an important state award for impressive student progress and closing achievement gaps. Fewer than 10% of schools in the state received this reward. The hard work of our talented staff and great students really paid off.

The students have been enjoying their 5 free swim lessons in

May and June. Thank you to the Sequim YMCA and Pleasant Harbor Marina Resort for their support in this area.

The students have also been enjoying watching the installation of the new playground equipment that came to us at almost no cost. A grant funded the equipment, wood chips, installation, improved asphalt area, and soccer goals.

When we wave goodbye to our students for the summer, there are always smiles, laughter, and a few tears.

The 2018-2019 school year has been a really special year and we are already preparing and looking forward to 2019-2020.

Go Bobcats!



Mrs. Patricia Beathard

Hello from the K/1 Classroom! by Mrs. Johnston, teacher

A quick thank you to all of those who donated time or supplies to our classroom this year. A big thanks to the P.T.O. and the Jefferson County School Retirees Association. Their generous donations allowed our classroom and the Movie Making Club to purchase a new video camera! Between the 2 groups, we made 5 movies this year! In the fall, I would love to have a mini-film festival, and show off our work. Also, thanks to Ruth and



Gracie (the gorgeous golden retriever), for coming every week to read with us. The kids really loved it.

Last, but not least, a huge thank you to my Washington Reading Corps helper Heather! She is dedicated to helping the students do their best.



Employment Opportunities at the Brinnon School

Food Service Program Manager/ Cook

- This is a multi-position responsibility. Start as soon as filled for continuity.
- Approx. 6 hrs/day-180 school days.
- Starting pay \$18.22/hr for mgmt. duties-\$14.00/hr for cook duties (based on experience).

Washington Reading Corps Member (WRC)

- Stipend \$1,450/mo. (before deductions)
- \$6,095 education award
- Basic health insurance. Assistance with childcare costs.

Classroom Support

- 3-4 hours/day

Reporting from the 2/3 Classroom

Mrs. McEdwards, teacher

From 2nd grade reporter: Abby

In school we learn lots of new things. In math we have learned about line plots, picture graphs, partial sums and so much more. In spelling, our spelling words are from stories in our Reading Street books. In reading we read books from our book bag that are at our own reading level. Sometimes we read our Bookmobile books. At read aloud, Mrs. McEdwards reads books to us about all sorts of things and we all draw and color our pictures. And that is what we do in school!

From 2nd grade Reporter: Ben B.

We learned about Annie Sullivan and Helen Keller in social studies. We learned that blind people have the same potential as others who can see, they just learn differently. They can have everything.

Quote from Eli:

"People with disabilities should get more respect from people without disabilities."

School Time

From 3rd grade Reporter: Jayda

This is what we have learned in school this year. In math we learned about shapes, fractions and multiplication. In reading and writing we read about animals and wrote an animal report. Our report was a 5 paragraph essay. I learned that there are pink dolphins and they are everywhere in the ocean. In PE we play outside. During choice time we play with blocks and paper. When we need help with our work we raise our hands. We learn great things at Brinnon School. Brinnon is a great place.

Hello from the Middle School by Miss Budnek

The middle school has had a great year. We are bringing things to a close in the classroom with fun activities, such as field day, going to the beach, and swimming lessons. We say goodbye to those in

the eighth grade who are moving on to high school, and we welcome incoming sixth graders. As students move up a level, our new eighth graders will be great models for the school. Please read

some adventurous books over the summer, and don't forget about summer school! Registration packets are on the website.

Have an amazing summer!



4-H News by Alicia Simmons

June already? How quickly we have arrived at the end of the school year. Thank you to those who filled out the 4-H survey. Your input helps shape the after school program.

We have tried so many things this year. We played soccer, kick ball, volleyball, badminton, pickle ball, basketball and designed obstacle courses. We have created dragon puppets, clay creations, thank you cards, blender creations, spoon puppets, and designed our own club t-shirts!

We have experimented with robots, scents, touch, flavors, milk, food coloring, and had a visit from the Discovery 4-H Club.

We have played with friends, learned how to cooperate and had yummy snacks.

Thank you to our volunteers! Coach Scott Pederson faithfully helped

Reptile Man visits Brinnon School!

By Mrs. Frantz, 4/5 grade teacher

On May 1st, the students of Brinnon enjoyed a special treat when Scott Peterson, a.k.a. the Reptile Man, arrived to the Brinnon School with his collection of live snakes, turtles, and alligators. Members of the audience became an especially fun part of his show as they got hands-on with these highly trained reptiles.

Scott's enthusiasm and respect for these creatures is infectious. My students have not forgotten the feel of the corn snake's muscles or the alligator's leathery

skin. This experience has sparked a new wave of excitement about reptiles in general.

Scott is a well known zoologist and educator from Monroe, Washington. He has been operating as Reptile Man for the past 25 years by visiting schools, social functions, and running The Reptile Zoo, where dozens of reptiles make their homes under the care and training of Scott and his staff.

We hope to invite the Reptile Man again for a full presentation in the future.

For more information, visit reptileman.com.

A big thank you to the Brinnon PTO and staff that help make enriching events like this one happen!



Also included in the show was an opportunity to take a selfie with a sweet and extremely calm alligator!

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with sports every Monday with a smile on his face and a plan in his pocket. Mystery Martha, formerly known as Martha Ashenfelter from the Jefferson County Library, brought a mystery adventure every third

Tuesday of the month.

Megan Fields and Liz Gilbert from the Washington Reading Corps supported our students with Homework Club. And with visits from Tanya Barnett, the WSU Ext. Coordinator for Jefferson County, there was

always a lesson to be learned.

Here at 4-H we have discovered clearer thinking, greater loyalty, larger service and better living for our club, our community, our country and our world. Come join us!

The PTO and Student’s of Brinnon School Appreciate YOU!! by Liz Gilbert

This year has been a record fundraising year greatly due to the dedication and support of the Brinnon community, students, families, and friends. This record setting year ended with our silent and live auction held in March. Our amazing community came out in strength, not only with their participation the night of the auction, but also with donations, sponsorship, and help with set up and tear down. We give a huge heartfelt thank you to all who pitched in! We couldn't have done it without you!

Because of your support, the PTO was able to bring in many engaging activities for our students. The year started with classes building and engineering with LEGO's. The year ended with the Reptile Man (see page 3!), and in the middle of the year we had a traveling theater group perform Pinocchio.

The upcoming year is brimming with opportunities for our students, including STEM activities and arts and crafts experiences to engage and encourage our students to reach their highest potential. Keep a lookout on our Facebook page for upcoming events this summer and into the new school year. If you are interested in being more active with the PTO or have ideas, we always welcome new members!



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