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The Bugle



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Congratulations to our Achievement Winners!

Pre-School:

Jayda Powers, Momo
Shabazz, Lucas Van-
denburg

K—2nd Grade:

Kaden Faller, Aiden
Williams, Joanne
Tom, Autumn Eyl,
Chloe Schleich,
Jocelyn Pruitt

3rd—5th Grade:

Alex Roaf,
Tony Roman, Noah
Boling, Max Filmer,
Jacob Eyl

6th—8th Grade:

Austin Troup, Selena
Malek, Alex Hanson,
D.J. Richardson, Dal-
las Justus, Brandon
Johnson, Brennen
Filmer

Board of Directors:

Bill Barnet, Joe
Baisch, Valerie
Schindler, Shirley
Towne.

Superintendent:
Wally Lis
360-796-4646



Spring and “Swings” are in the Air!

The Brinnon School Playground has a new addition: a brand new swing set! Thanks to contributions from the PTO, the Rainier Paragliding Club, the Dosey Dux, Johnston Realty, Black Point Electric, Emerald Towns Alliance and other individual do-

nors, we now have a new swing set. I think it's safe to say all the kiddo's give it a big "thumbs up"!



Did you Know?.....

The first day of Spring is March 20th and it is also called the vernal equinox (equal night) where there is supposed to be 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of night. Because the Sun is positioned above the equator, day and night are about equal in length all over the world during the equinoxes.

Pictured are:

Aiden Williams,
Autumn Eyl, Clay-
ton Schleich, Jacob
Eyl and Anthonie
Bartlette



Spring Auction ~ Saturday, April 25th

The Brinnon School PTO is accepting donations of used goods for the Annual Spring Auction beginning March 18th. Please contact Nicole Norris at 360-531-4178 to schedule the best time to drop off donations at the school.

All money raised by the auction will be used to help enhance the education of our students through field trips, class projects and more. In addition, the middle school will be selling food as a fundraiser.

Please be sure to stop by the Auction which begins at 10:00 a.m. You never know what treasures you might find!





Upcoming Events

Friday, 3/27 Early Release 12:30 Teacher in-service

Monday, 3/30 through Friday, 4/3 Spring Break No School

Tuesday, 4/7 End of 3rd Quarter

Thursday, 4/9 Monthly Awards Assembly 12:30

Friday, 4/10 Early Release 12:30 Teacher in-service

Tuesday, 04/14 PTO Meeting 3:30 p.m.

Friday, 4/16 Early Release 12:30 Teacher in-service



Spring State Testing

Beginning in April, we will be administering state mandated tests that fall under the umbrella of the “Smarter Balanced Assessment System” (SBA). SBA is a comprehensive system designed to measure how well students are learning the Common Core State Standards in English language arts (ELA) and math. In addition, the 5th and 8th grade will be tested in science.

The testing schedule is as follows:

- April 14-15, 3rd grade ELA
- April 30, 5th & 8th grade science
- May 1, 4th & 5th grade ELA
- May 4, 4th grade ELA
- May 5, 5th grade ELA
- May 6, 3rd-5th grade math
- May 7, 4th grade math
- May 11, 5th grade math
- May 12, 6th-8th grade math
- May 13, 6th grade ELA
- May 14, 7th grade ELA
- May 15, 8th grade ELA
- May 18, 6th-8th grade math

- May 19, 6th grade math
- May 20, 7th grade math
- May 21, 8th grade math

Help your student do their best by following these tips. The night before: Help your child get to bed on time. Research shows that being well-rested helps students do better.

The morning of the test: Be sure to have your child arrive on time. And remind them to eat breakfast. Students do better on tests when their tummy is full!



The Impact of Tardiness on School Success

Getting to school on time is important: studies conducted by the U.S. Dept. of Education show that tardiness is a major factor when it comes to school success and student behavior. The most crucial learning hours of

a school day are the morning hours when students are most attentive. When students are late, they negatively impact their teachers and other students. Teachers often have to restructure their lessons or reteach missed

material. Tardiness also takes other students' attention away from the lesson, leading to missed instruction. When students are late, they start their day feeling rushed, flustered and self-conscious.



Comedy Column

Q: What do you call a group of Orcas singing together?

A: An Orca-stra



Q: What do librarians take with them when they go fishing?

A: Bookworms!



Q: Why didn't the sun go to college?

A: Because it already had a million degrees!



It's just another Outdoor Adventure for the 3rd -5th Grade Classroom Mrs. Beathard, Teacher

The 3rd through 5th grade class at the Brinnon School has had a great time reading some classic award winning books about life in the outdoors.

We started with a class novel, *Where the Red Fern Grows*. Students described this book as "interesting, adventurous, sad and a emotional story about a boy and two dogs." Even parents and grandparents remember reading this heartwarming story.

A large reading group read *The Island of the Blue Dolphins*, an award winning book based on a true story.

One boy described this book as a "spectacular book bursting with flavor!"



Mrs. Beathard just finished reading *Rascal* to the class. *Rascal*, the story of a boy and his pet raccoon, is also based on a true story. The students described this book as a "sad, funny and sophisticated tale with a good ending."

The class just stated reading *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George, another classic book about an adventure in the wilderness.

Did you know....

A child's reading level doesn't catch up to his listening level until the eighth grade? You should read aloud seventh grade books to fifth grade kids. They'll get excited about the plot and this will be a motivation to keep them reading!



Life in the Primary Classroom Mrs. Johnston, Teacher

The word "busy" best describes life in the primary classroom. We just celebrated the 100th day of school! We did various activities all morning long that focused on the number 100. One activity had kids drawing what they would look like at 100 years old! Another had students creating a

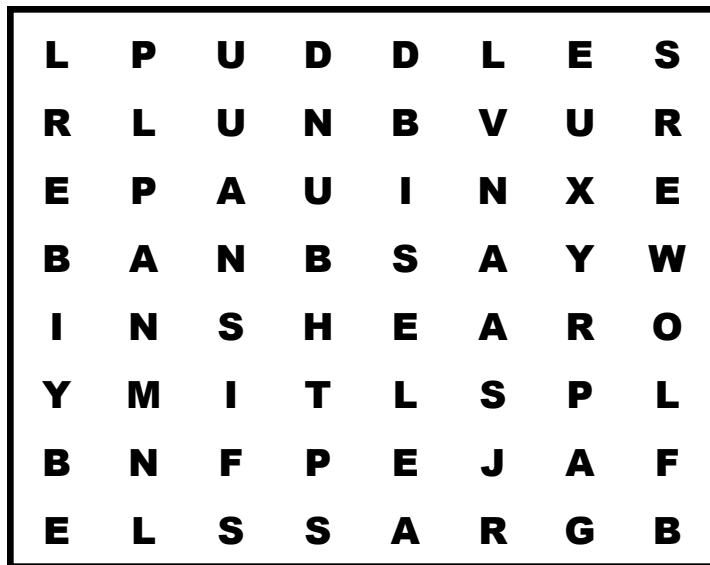
design with 100 pattern blocks. Still another had students writing equations that equal 100.

In addition, we also had a field trip to Twisters gymnastics in Port Hadlock! The instructors lead us through exercises



that helped us improve our physical fitness.

In our last assembly, our class performed a dramatization of the book "The Day the Crayons Quit". And on St. Patrick's Day we focused on learning more about the Irish culture including making our own traditional Irish soda bread!



BASEBALL BUNNY EASTER FLOWERS
 GRASS PLAY PUDDLES RAIN
 SUNSHINE

Student Name: _____

Students:

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 color this page and bring it in to
 Mrs. Prater for a little
 surprise!

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