

The Ram Report

May 16, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

5/21: No School - Teacher Planning Day
5/22: Multicultural Fair; 5:00-7:00pm
5/26: No School; Memorial Day
5/29: Menchie's Fundraiser; 3:00-8:00pm
6/2: All library books due
6/2: PSO Meeting; 6:00-7:00pm
6/3: All school Zoo field trip
6/6: Field Day
6/11: 5th grade promotion; 9:00-9:30am
6/11: 5th grade Fun Day
6/12: Last day of school; 11:15am dismissal

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Message from Mr. Kingery

Dear Art Rutkin Families,

Our staff is extremely grateful for how our PSO and families expressed support and appreciation last week and throughout this school year. Last week was a special staff appreciation week where every staff member had their bucket filled in some form each day. Our staff is so grateful for this amazing school community!

Kindergarten Kick Off

We had a wonderful Kindergarten Kick Off last night with almost all of our 49 incoming kindergarten students present. It was fun to see so many exciting faces from current and new families. Thank you to our PSO, City of Tigard, Mrs. Galucci-Kari, Art Literacy, Club K, Miss Snyder, Mrs. Biggs, Mrs. Mandujano, Mrs. Jackie, Mrs. Deuth and several Rocky Squad members for supporting a fun and welcoming event. As of today, our student population will increase from 135 to over 320 for the 2025-2026 school year due to the boundary adjustments and new construction. This is an exciting time for our growing community.

Dismissal Notification

Our school population will have a significant increase starting this fall. This means one of the changes will be to our dismissal routine for walkers, bikers, and parent pick up. These changes will be practiced starting June 2nd. All of our families will receive this information before the end of May. Please pay close attention to the future communication regarding these changes. The answer is Yes, **dismissal will take longer and require more patience beginning this fall**. Our focus will still be making sure dismissal is as safe as possible and that we account for every child every day.

Neighborhood Safety Reminder

We want all our students to have safe walks and rides to and from school. This may also include times outside of the regular school day. New construction will be present in our immediate area for years to come. Please take time to speak to your child about staying safe around areas where construction is taking place. Staying on completed sidewalks, staying out of areas under construction and leaving construction materials alone are a few ways to ensure safety all year long. Thank you for your time to connect with your child on how to be safe while construction continues in our neighborhoods.

Please read this newsletter for important end of school year information and upcoming events.

With Gratitude,

Mr. Kingery

Multicultural Fair Help Needed

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Volunteers are needed for our multicultural fair happening on Thursday, May 22nd from 5-7pm. Please sign up to volunteer [HERE](#). We appreciate your help in making this night successful!

With gratitude,
Art Rutkin Multicultural Planning Committee





Is your student returning next year?

As we prepare for our 2025-2026 school year, we try to get an accurate student count to enable us to plan our classes.

Please complete this form by Friday, May 30th. We need to have a form completed for each child in grades K-4.

Optional 25-26 Student Information Form

Early in June, each grade level team will meet to carefully balance next year's classes. There are many considerations involved in making up classes, including:

1. Achievement level
2. Behavior and personality
3. Balance of students
4. Matching teacher/students learning styles
5. Relationships with other students
6. Parent information that is not available or observable in the school environment

If you have insights and information about your child that you would care to share before the placement process takes place, **please submit the Student Information Google form** by Friday, May 30th. **Please note, we are not able to honor specific teacher requests.** We appreciate your help and patience with this process.

2025-2026 Approved School Calendar

The school board has approved the school calendar for 2025-2026. It's located here and on our website under fast links. **2025-2026 Approved School Calendar**





**We are hitting our peak
times for volunteer
background checks.
Please plan ahead!**

If you haven't gone through the volunteer process, please **[click here to do so.](#)** Once submitted it can take up to 14 days to be processed. If you have any questions, please contact the office at **artrutkinoffice@ttsd.k12.or.us**



**Incoming Kindergarten
Registration Open**

**2025-2025 KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION**

A child must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2025 to enter Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school year. **[Please click here to register](#)**

Mrs. Megowan's PE News



We are excited to announce that Mrs. Megowan, will be sharing monthly newsletters with all families! These newsletters will keep you informed about what your children are learning in PE, fitness tips, and fun ways to stay active at home. It's a great way to stay connected and support your child's physical health and well-being. **[Click here for the latest edition.](#)**



The PSO Executive Board Needs You!

Join the PSO Executive Board. Open positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications and President Elect.

Without a President, the PSO will be forced to disband. Please continue to support the PSO as we grow our Art Rutkin community next year!

TTSD proposes new bond measure May 20 to replace and repair aging buildings

Election Day comes May 20 – please vote

Next week, on May 20, voters will decide the fate of TTSD’s bond proposal, Measure 34-342.

The \$421.3 million bond proposal is designed to repair and replace older buildings and keep students safe, warm and dry. At many of TTSD’s 17 school campuses, aging facilities are creating challenges to learning – from leaking roofs to faulty fire alarms to failing heating systems.

If passed, the bond is estimated to cost property owners an additional 99 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, for 20-21 years. The median homeowner in the district’s boundaries would pay about \$25 more per month in property taxes, according to District estimates.

Dr. Iton Udosenata, TTSD’s superintendent, noted that the state pays for school operations, but it is up to local voters to decide whether to invest in bonds for school buildings.

“We’re so grateful to our local community for its longtime support of our schools,” he said. “We want to encourage everyone to vote in the May 20 election.”

More information: ttsdbond.org



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Club K - Registering for Fall Now!

Club K provides On-site Care, Homework Help, STEM Activities, Afternoon Snacks & a Safe Environment.

Club K After School Program is now registering for fall. Scan the QR code on the flyer or **[click here to register.](#)**

PSO Newsletter - 5/2/25

Shop for Spirit Wear here

SR&R Handbook

Click here for Volunteer Info

Activity & Community Flyers

Lunch menus found here

Information for Club K

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

[Art Rutkin Elementary website](#)

[Art Rutkin Elementary newsletters](#)

[Club K website](#)

[TTSD job postings](#)

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