

Brighton School News

Thursday, November 3, 2016

SCHOOL CALENDAR

November

- 1,2,3 **Grades K – 8 Conferences Half Day School for K – 8 classes only**
Extended Care available
- 5 **Open House 11:00-1:00**
- 7 **Reptile Man PTO sponsored**
- 9 **Oregon Shakespeare Festival**
PTO sponsored
- 10 **Veteran's Day Assembly 2:00**
- 11 **No School – Veteran's Day**
- 17 **4th Grade Play 1:30 & 7:00**
- 19 **PTO Holiday Bazaar 10:00-4:00**
- 23 **Half Day of School – Dismiss at Noon**
No Extended Care
ECE/K Feast
- 24,25 **Thanksgiving – No School**
- 29 **PTO Meeting 6:30 pm**
Pottery Night 5:00-7:00 pm

December

- 1 **Essentials Day**
- 7 **ECE – Nancy Stewart 10:30-11:15**
PTO sponsored
- 8 **Holly Jolly Okie! 6:30-8:00**
- 9 **Band Concert 1:30**

LEADERSHIP DELIVERS SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN.

Students from the Leadership class were collecting school supplies to send them to Louisiana schools. As you may remember, Louisiana suffered devastating floods and their schools, children, teachers and administrators were in need of school material supplies. Our Leadership class was working with the organization "Team Comeback Kids" in Louisiana. In just ten days, Brighton Leadership class was able to collect 8 boxes full of school supplies for the "Team Comeback Kids" program. However, "Team Comeback Kids" told us that they have been overwhelmed by the support and the help that they have received across America. They were very thankful for our help, but have received more than enough school materials and didn't need any more. Their program advised us to donate the supplies to a local charity. Because of this, our Leadership class decided to deliver the school supplies to "Washington Kids In Transition." This is a volunteer organization committed to providing basic needs to homeless children residing in Washington state. On Tuesday, October 25th, the students dropped off the supplies at Revelation Yogurt that has partnered with this local organization.

DRIVE-THROUGH REMINDERS

Please remember to...

- Put your car in park, put the e-brake on, and turn off your car in drive through.
- Stay in your car, your child will be delivered to you in a timely fashion when it is appropriate.
- Go to the end of the street to turn around. Do not make U-turns in front of the school.



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THE GREAT SHAKEOUT

Our school participated in The Great ShakeOut, a national earthquake drill event where organizations across the nation Drop, Cover, and Hold On all at the same moment. Students did a great job of following emergency procedures and demonstrating calm and quiet during the process. If you would like to learn more about how to get prepared for an earthquake at home please visit <http://www.shakeout.org/washington/>.



"INTERVIEW A VETERAN" PROJECT

One of the most important ways we can honor someone is to hear his or her story. This year, in preparation for Veterans Day, Brighton Students in grades K-8 are being asked to interview a veteran. It can be a family member, friend, or neighbor; anyone who has served in the military should be honored on this special day! Please return the interviews (and pictures if possible) to your classroom teacher. The classes will share the veterans' stories together and we will also honor them at our Veterans Day assembly, which will be held on **Thursday, Nov. 10th from 2-2:45**. All of our veterans are invited to attend the assembly and the reception afterward. **If you have a veteran who is planning on attending, please RSVP to Chrissy.Roberts@nlcinc.com.**



LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found is overflowing! Please check to see if you are missing any items. Note: Please label your student's items. Thank you.



SEATTLE CHILDREN'S THEATER VISITS MRS.SCHIPPERS' 1ST GRADE CLASSROOM.

Over the summer, Mrs. Schippers attend a BTIC(Bringing Theater Into The Classroom) professional development workshop. As part of the professional development experience, an actor came into the classroom to incorporate drama into our literacy lessons. Don Fleming, our guest actor, taught the students how to act out scenes, took them to the land of the wise person, and brought storybooks to life. Through this experience, the students learned the importance of story elements (setting, character traits, problem and solution) and how to identify them. This was a fun-filled experience for the students. We will continue to incorporate drama into our daily classroom.



THIRD GRADE CONQUERS MOUNT SAINT HELENS

From Oct. 19-21, the third grade field scientists and their parent research partners observed and explored the ecosystems around Mount Saint Helens. It was a memorable trip which included cave exploring, lava tube crawling; puddle avoiding, mountain climbing, rain gear wearing, and spirit stone searching. We all survived and tested the quality of our rain gear! The children all had such a wonderful time and will remember it for years to come. Thank you to our entire parent participants who made this trip run smoothly. What an adventurous tale we all have to tell!



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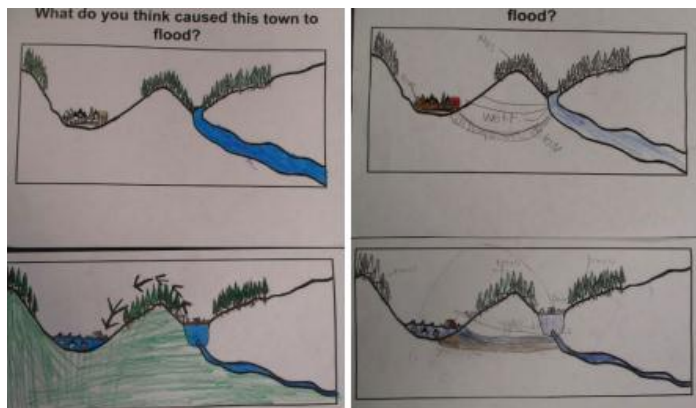
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MOCTON GHOST TOWN

A few years ago I went hiking with my family at Rattlesnake Ledge and discovered that there was a town under Rattlesnake Lake name the Town of Moncton! What caused the town of Mocton to flood? That's what second graders are investigating. Students have many ideas around the dam that was built on the Cedar River. They have theories that water filled up begin the dam and flooded over the hill; the dam overflowed in front of the dam and created a new path around the mountain; the water went through the ground to the town of Mocton.



Students are now gathering evidence to make sense of this phenomenon by developing models, researching the history and collecting data from their investigations



COMMUNITY TRANSIT VISITS 2ND GRADE

Brighton's second grade students had a visit from the one and only *Oxy Gene*. Steve Peters from Community Transit came to visit the classroom and in a very entertaining and funny fashion taught students about an important resource in our community – the public bus system. He then took everyone for a ride on a Community Transit bus. The students and teachers enjoyed learning about the Community Transit system and how to ride the bus.



FLIPPERDINGERS

Have you ever heard of a flipperdinger? Ask a second grader to tell you what one is. We were excited to have the toymaker, Rick Hartman, teach our students how to make these creative, fun toys. While making the toys students learned about some of the properties of solid matter such as: flexible, rigid, smooth, and rough. After creating their flipperdingers students then used another state of matter – a gas (air) to make their fun toys work.



FIRST GRADE HAD AN AMAZING DAY PREPARING FOR THE GREAT PIG RACE.

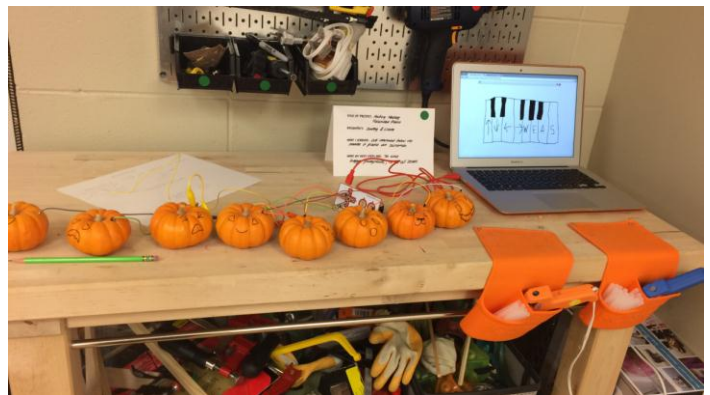
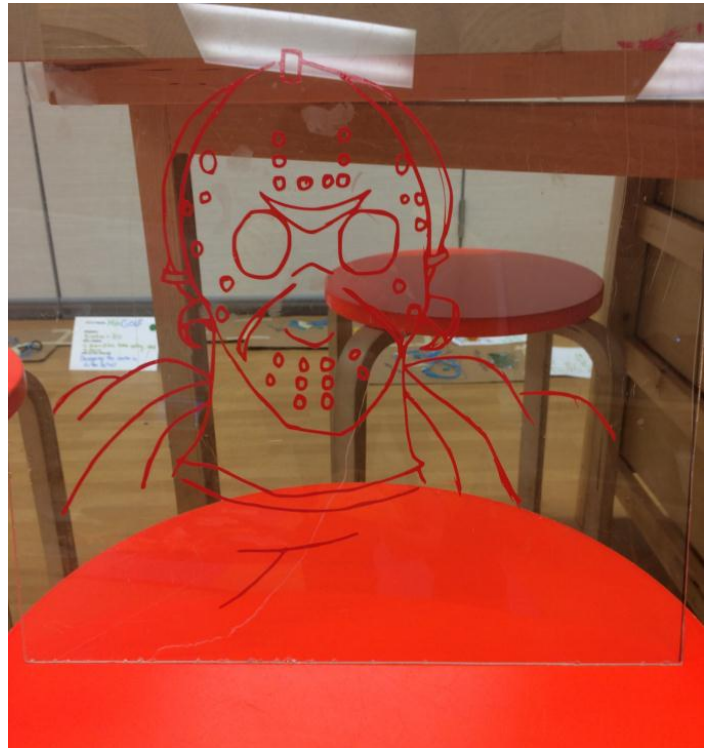
We read pig stories, designed pig hats, and wrote our own story about our pig named *Cutie Eagle*.

One of the first grade students, Olivia Matheson, created a cheer we chanted over and over to get all jazzed up before the big event.

Our pig, Cutie Eagle, had on a pink shirt with a green cape. Even though we came in tied for second, the class celebrated with smiles all around.

Thank you to all who donated to Great American and who helped our class earn 30 chickens that will go to those in need.

more! Many elementary classrooms came to visit and were inspired to try some of the projects on their own!



STEAM

6th and 7th grade students spent time creating projects in STEAM to display at a haunted STEAM exhibit. Students worked hard for the past few weeks to create Halloween themed projects to display their knowledge in various mediums. Projects included a clay spider with a motorized spinning hat, a candy catapult; pumpkin and gummy bear digital pianos, a 3D printed ghost with dry ice flowing out of its mouth, vinyl stickers made from original artwork, and many



DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS OFRENDA EXHIBIT

On October 29th and 30th Brighton elementary student work was displayed at the Seattle Center's Annual Día de los Muertos Ofrenda Exhibit. It was a festive time to celebrate and remember loved ones who have passed.

Each year the Seattle Center organizes this wonderful event which includes several free crafts and performances for everyone to enjoy. There is also always authentic food for sale and many unique merchandise vendors. Brighton School received many compliments and praise from the organizing committee for our involvement in such an honored tradition.

Grades K-5 incorporated the themes of their curricula this year to create an element of the large ofrenda display.

Kindergarten students learned Spanish shapes by making *papel picado* (cut paper).

First grade Spanish students learned parts of the body and some clothing items by creating finger paint *esqueletos* (skeletons).

Second grade Spanish students learned names of community places, such as the garden. Then made paper *flores* (flowers).

Third grade Spanish students learned names of food items. They made paper *calabazas* (pumpkins) that were also used to practice proper sentence structure.

Fourth grade Spanish students learned travel vocabulary. They made *linternas* (lanterns) which depict images from imaginary places that their spirits would travel to.

Fifth grade Spanish students learned vocabulary for describing the self. They decorated paper *calaveras* (skulls) that symbolize things they each want to remember, hope for, and communicate to others.

