

ZEIGER EXPLORERS

Principal
Mr. Angelo Mills

Asst. Principal
Mrs. Sari Burnett

April 7, 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



DON'T FORGET

Mondays are Late
Start at 9:30AM

Kindergarten Registration
Daily from 9:30—2:30PM

Spring Break
April 10 -April 14

McTeacher Night
April 19

No School
Staff Development
April 21

Take Your Child To
Work Day
April 27

Spirit Day
Crazy Hair/Crazy Hat
April 28

PTA Book Fair
May 1– 5

Memorial Day
No School
May 29



Did you know that the meteorologists have said that we have gotten more than our share of rain for this year 2017? Here's hoping for a beautiful spring, followed by abundant sunshine.

Speaking of spring, next week we celebrate spring break from Monday 10th to Friday 14th April. Have a great break, take time for some fun and laughter and return recharged to finish the year strong.

On May 1st, we begin our Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) testing schedule. Students have been working hard this year and at various points in time, the classroom teacher has been giving assessment to determine students' progress.

The SBA is an assessment designed to determine students' performance and teachers' pedagogy. Since these young people are very familiar with the technology, we encourage all students to participate as a way to gain the experience of computer testing.

Parents, I am reaching out to you for us to partner in this testing effort for our students' success.

As always, I say thank you for the incredible opportunity that you have given me in serving you and your students and our wider Zeiger community. I will continue to put my best effort each day to demonstrate to each student that as Principal I lead by example in showing I care about each student in our Zeiger family.

Happy Spring Break. Have fun with the family and we look forward in welcoming your return.

Angelo Mills
Principal

PTA SPRING BOOK FAIR

The Spring buy one get one free Book Fair is almost here! Come and find great books to read all summer long Monday, May 1st through Friday, May 5th from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM everyday in the Library. If you have any questions or would like to help out at the Book Fair contact Rachel Burditt at Burdittr@gmail.com.

SPRING BREAK April 10 – April 14

Students and staff in the Puyallup School District will not attend school the week of April 10 – April 14 due to Spring Break. School will resume on the regular Monday schedule on Monday, April 17th.

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY

National Take Your Child to Work Day is scheduled for Thursday, April 27, 2017. This day is designated to help students between the ages of 8 and 15 make the connection between what they do in school and what career they may choose in the future. The day should be designed to introduce students to the world of a parent's career and the wide array of skills and services needed to support it.

Students will need to have a Planned Absence Form approved *in advance* stating they are participating at the parent's workplace in order to have their absence excused.

No School—Friday, April 21st

Due to Staff Professional Development there will be no school for students.

MEMORIAL DAY:

Monday, May 29th, there will be no school for Memorial Day. Tuesday, May 30th is a built-in snow make-up day and since we did have a snow day in February, there will be school. Students will return to school on Tuesday, May 30th.

GREAT ESCAPE POSTER CONTEST

Every spring fifth grade students receive fire safety training from Pierce County Firefighters. Students then practice escape routes at home and create a poster showing their family's "Great Escape" plan. Lauren W. is our winner this year! She will receive 2 free tickets to the Spring Fair, a t-shirt, and ride on an antique fire engine in the Daffodil Parade April 8th.

Talent Show

Thank you to all the students who participated in the Talent Show!! You all did an amazing job!! Also, thank you to all of the Table Talent Students! You have such a wonderful talent!! Keep up the wonderful work!!

The 5th grade and 5/6 Quest grade level Music program will be at 10am on April 19th in the Zeiger gym.

There will be NO evening performance. This will be for parents only.

Counselor Corner

Because testing season is right around the corner, it is a good time to practice some strategies. Here are some ideas:

Take a moment to prepare yourself, limit distractions and give yourself some encouragement (positive self talk.)

Read directions carefully.

Eliminate answers you know are incorrect.

Check for questions that are similar; you might find the answer to one in the question of another.

Make sure to check your work when you're done.

TRACK IS STARTING!!!

Track and field is just around the corner! We will be starting practices beginning Wednesday, April 26th and they will be held Mondays and Wednesdays during second recess!

Wednesday, April 26

Monday, May 1

Wednesday, May 3

Monday, May 8

Wednesday, May 10

Monday, May 15

Wednesday, May 17

Monday, May 22

Wednesday, May 24

Wednesday, May 31

2 Additional Practices at the Roger's Track after school and dates to be determined.

Permission slips will be going home Monday, April 17th and need to be turned in by Monday, April 24th. We will have our first meeting in Mrs. Addison's portable (P-10) on Wednesday, April 24th. Our first practice will be on Wednesday, April 26 during second recess. The District Track meet will be held June 6th @ Sparks Stadium. (More information to come later)

Students that need a track shirt can order one on the permission slip.

If you can volunteer to help time students, please contact Mrs. Addison or Mrs. Hubert.

2017-2018 STUDENT PLACEMENT CONSIDERATION FORMS

Student placement is a very important job at this time of the year. We take the responsibility very seriously. The process of assigning students to classes takes into account many factors. Teachers and staff have a formal process for communicating their recommendations and will be forming classes with Mr. Mills. You, as a parent, may want to provide input that you would like to have considered as your child is assigned to a classroom for next year. Student Placement Consideration Forms are available in the office and are to be returned to Mr. Mills' office by **April 28, 2017**.

Our next **student council** meeting is May 3rd from 3:00-3:40. Please bring something to write with and write on. If you can't make it, please let your alternate know.

Our next **Spirit Dress** up day is April 28th. It is Crazy Hair/Crazy Hat day.

"McTeacher Night" is Wednesday, April 19, from 5pm - 7pm at McDonald's 4603 S. Meridian, Puyallup. (Same location as last year) Come have a fun dinner with your family and visit with Zeiger teachers and families while supporting the school! Remember to bring cash if you'd like to buy McDonald's cookies which our teachers will be selling! Zeiger PTA also receives a portion of all purchases made at the counter or drive-through windows. We hope to see you there!

Thanks again to everyone who donated to our **Pennies For Patients Fundraiser**. Though we didn't quite make our school goal, we were able to raise \$702.79 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in their fight against blood cancer. Way to go Zeiger Explorers!

Zeiger Culture Day is Friday, June 9th

On Friday, June 9th, Zeiger will celebrate the cultural heritage of our students and families. Our celebration focuses on learning about the various cultures represented in our Zeiger community. Students will have the opportunity to experience and learn about these cultures through classroom presentations. Community involvement is essential for this event to be successful. Please call or email Mrs. Burnett if you would be interested in volunteering your time to share about your cultural heritage. We would love for you to be a part of this special day! Phone 253-841-8663

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