

The Torch



Newsletter

We welcome all new and returning families to Brighton Academy. We have a very exciting year ahead and look forward to every student's success! Our Brighton Newsletter is one way we keep our families up to date with campus events.

Brighton Christmas Plays

"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever"

(2nd play to be announced)

Auditions are Underway! This year Brighton's theater department will be performing our first play of the year on **Friday Dec. 2nd, Saturday Dec. 3rd & Sunday Matinee Dec. 4th** at One Eleven Evelyn Theatre. Students 3rd grade and up are welcome to audition for our plays. We will release a rehearsal schedule ASAP.

PICTURE DAY

We will have student pictures taken as follows:

- **Oct. 3rd** (Kindergarten, 1st grade, 2nd grade)
- **Oct. 4th** (Pre-K, 3rd, 4th & 5th grades)
- **Oct. 5th** (6th, 7th, 8th & 9th grades)
- **Oct. 6th** (10th, 11th & 12th grades)
- **Oct. 27th** (all school picture make-up)

Please watch for information and a picture packet to come home with your student.



RCC COLLEGE CLASSES

Our college class rosters are filling. Please call the front office to sign up for our fall quarter classes. September 27th is the 1st day of our RCC College class.

Psychology II (PSY202): This class will be available on Brighton's campus, taught by RCC's Mr. Longden, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 pm to 2:50 pm, for all students who can meet the writing (WR121) pre-requisite. (4 credits) cost: \$350

THE BRIGHTON CAFÉ

In addition to our recess snacks we are serving home made breakfast sandwiches and fresh fruit smoothies every week.



Every day we are serving lunch along with a delicious salad bar. We also serve an afternoon snack in our café from 3:00-3:30 daily. We ask all our families to keep their café accounts current every month. Lunch \$3.50 (incl. drink). Lunch with Salad bar \$4.50 (incl. drink).



7th Annual "CHOCOLATE HOLIDAY" ONLINE AUCTION FOR EDUCATION

This year, for Brighton Academy's 7th Annual "Chocolate Holiday" Auction for Education, we will be holding a very special Online Auction beginning November 21st and ending on November 28th. We are very excited about this online auction as it will allow hundreds more members of Brighton Academy's extended families and friends around the country to participate in this amazing event.

How to Participate in our Auction

#1: If you didn't make it to our auction meeting please come by the front office and pick up your procurement packet. Feel free to contact one of our points of contact for assistance with any questions you may have.

#2: Turn in address lists - This is our top priority at the moment. We are asking all families to submit 10 addresses, this will count towards each families fundraising requirement. This list should include everyone who care about your kids. People willing to support our school by shopping on our line auction as well as buying raffle tickets. E-mail your list of family, friends and neighbors, both near and far, to fundraising2@brightonacademy.org. Address deadline is October 17th, our 1st mailing will be October 20th.

#3: Start Procuring! This year we are shooting to procure at least \$50,000 worth of online auction items. We are asking each Brighton Family to bring in \$500 worth of donations (deadline to turn in donations is Nov. 14th).

ONLINE AUCTION CATALOG

Coming soon...link through the auction wreath at Brighton's website: www.brightonacademy.org to see our auction items.

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BrightonAcademy Grants Pass



Twitter account name: brightongp

or on our website: www.brightonacademy.org

SEPTEMBER TEACHER OF THE MONTH

Congratulations Miss Laura!



"I am pleased to say this is my 5th year at Brighton Academy! I love teaching here because I can have such a positive impact on an amazing group of children with the strong academic and social curriculum provided. I feel truly blessed to have my own children (CJ and Jaxon) at

Brighton, who think of it as their second home, thanks to the awesome teachers here. I am very excited about the new school year, and look forward to getting to know the new students and families better." —Miss Laura

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

Extended Day Program (EDP)

Kinder room 12 noon to 3:00 pm: Grades Pre-K & K are welcome to attend our program. The charge is \$3 per hour per child + any Café purchases. We will provide food time, movie time, PE time, Arts & Crafts, rest time, open play time and story time. **3:00 to 5:00 pm: Grades Pre-K through 7th grade** are welcome to attend our program. The charge is \$3 per hour per child + any Café purchases. We will provide food time, movie time, PE time, game time, computer time and Arts & Crafts.

KUNG-FU

Sensei Dan is offering kung fu classes after school on the following days:

5th Grade & Up:

Monday 3:10 - 4:15 (Kung-Fu - 5th grade & up)

Tuesday 5:30 - 7:00 (Judo - Judo team members)

Wednesday 3:10 - 4:15 (Judo - 5th grade & up)

Kinder thru 4th grade:

Thursday 3:10 - 4:10 (Beginning Class; K thru 4th)

(\$50.00 a month, paid in advance, sign up in the front office)

*All members must complete the RCMA fundraising goal to attend.



ABC MUSIC & ME with Mrs. Martin.

Tuesdays 12:30 - 1:00 in the Pre-K room. Cost of \$45 dollars a month includes weekly classes along with a monthly CD, monthly at home "magazine", and a bi-monthly instrument. To sign up for October, contact Mrs. Martin NOW!

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 3rd—PICTURE DAY (Kinder, 1st, 2nd)

October 4th—PICTURE DAY (Pre-K, 3rd, 4th, 5th)

October 5th—PICTURE DAY (6th, 7th, 8th, 9th)

October 6th—PICTURE DAY (10th, 11th & 12th)

October 10th—Columbus Day – NO SCHOOL

October 27th—PICTURE MAKE-UP DAY

BRIGHTON'S INTERACT CLUB

Our Interact Club is off to a great start! Interact meets every Tuesday from 8:30-9:20 with Mr. Kopp & Mr. Maler. Our Club has amazing plans for community events and fundraising.

2011 ROGUE DUCK DERBY!



Come to the Brighton front office and adopt your ducks for the upcoming Duck Derby! Brighton's Interact Club directly benefits from each purchase, \$1 for each duck. Our goal is to exceed 75 ducks, then our Interact club will receive \$2 of every purchase! The event will take place September 24th, at Noon, Riverside Park– Grants Pass. The grand prize this year is \$10,000 (towards purchase or lease of a new vehicle from one of GP's new car dealers). There are also amazing prizes such as Club Northwest "Healthy Living" pkg. w/ 1 year membership, Furniture from Gates Furniture, and so much more. Come to the front office for a full list of prizes! Lets support our Interact Club and buy lots of ducks!!(make checks payable to Rogue Duck Derby)

BRIGHTON VOLUNTEER POLICY

Brighton Academy believes family involvement is an essential part of a child's education and both volunteer hours and fundraising are required from all Brighton families.

This year our fundraising will be more important than ever! Fundraising is crucial, and all Brighton families are required to participate in both our Jog-a-thon and our Auction, meeting all individual goals set.

- A minimum of 5 volunteer hours per month per family is required. (We will amortize any large number of hours spent on a single event.)
- All parents/guardians must attend 2 parent meetings per year.
- Family participation is required in our two major Brighton fundraisers; the online Auction in November and the Jog-a-thon in spring. This year Families will have to meet the goals set in each of these fundraisers or pay the fees.

All volunteering must be pre-arranged and documented through the office. Families who do not meet the 5 hour per month requirement will be charged a \$45.00 per month fee. Families who do not fulfill the fund raising requirement may be charged an additional \$600 fee annually.

SICK STUDENT POLICY

We ask all families to follow these basic guidelines and avoid sending sick students to school:

- Do not send your student to school if they have had a fever in the prior 24 hours.
- If your child experiences Diarrhea in the morning please keep them home.
- Children who experience vomiting should remain home until they are healthy (preferable 24 hours after the last vomiting episode).

