



DRAGON TALES

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Race to the Finish!

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We are down to the last 18 days of school for this wonderful year. Just like the year we are ending, this final stretch will be very busy, filled with many activities and learning opportunities.

It always seems that when we get to this point in the year that it has just flown by and we certainly could not be so close to finishing another year of school. Yet, here we are and the days are full.

Many of our classes have more field trips to complete.

All of our students will be participating in the Spring Musical "Pirates" on Thursday, 11 May.

We will be making our annual

visit to the beach on Friday, 12 May. Beach Day is a great tradition and we welcome families to join us for a great time of enjoying, interacting and eating at Bishop's Beach.

The last three days of school are really busy with Graduation/Step Up Day Tuesday, 23 May and then the End of the Year BBQ and Play Day on Wednesday, 24 May.

Please make sure to read the rest of this newsletter and have your calendar nearby to mark down important events and programs and Thank You for having your child at McNeil.

Special points of interest:

- Spring Program
- Staff Appreciation
- Beach Day
- 6th Grade Graduation & Step-Up Ceremony
- Play Day

Dates to Note:

Spring Musical	11 May
Beach Day	12 May
Hawaii Day	19 May
6th Grade Graduation & Step Up Day	23 May
Last Day of School	24 May

Spring Musical—Pirates May 11th

Plan on joining us on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 6:30 pm for our Pirate Musical. The students have been busy practicing and it will be a great show!

Remember, each child is responsible for their own pirate costume. Arrrrrr!

Dates to Remember

May 3	Early Release
May 4	Site Council Meeting
May 5	Student Council Elections
May 8-12	Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
May 8	All Library Books Due
May 11	Spring Musical 6:30 pm Site Council Elections
May 12	All School Field Trip—Beach Day
May 19	Hawaii Day
May 23	6th Grade Spotlight at 11:50 am 6th Grade Graduation & Step Up Day 12:45 pm
May 24	Last day of school for students—Play Day

Early Release

Our last early release day for this year will occur on Wed., May 3rd, 2017. McNeil Students will be released at 12:50 pm and buses will leave at 1:00 pm. Your child will arrive home 1.5 hrs. earlier than usual.

All Library Books Due Soon

All library books are due Monday, May 8, 2017. Please get them turned in as soon as possible. Thanks.

Bus Driver Appreciation

Wednesday, May 10th we will celebrate our Bus Drivers. Be sure to thank our bus drivers for the great job they do getting our children safely to and from school every day.

Learning Lab News

There will be NO LEARNING LAB on Thursday, May 11, 2017 due to the Spring Musical being held that evening. The last day of this year for Learning Lab will be May 18, 2017.

All School Field Trip—Beach Day

We will have an All School Field Trip on Friday, May 12, 2017. Permissions slips will be sent home with students next Friday. Parents are welcome to join us for this fun day at the beach. Please contact your child's teacher or the school office if you can help.

Hawaii Day

Student Council is sponsoring Hawaii Day on Friday, May 19th. Join the fun!

Play Day

Rain or shine, it's a celebration! Plan to join in the fun on the last day of school, Wednesday, May 24, 2017 as we celebrate the end of the school year with a lunchtime picnic and afternoon play day. We'll have hot dogs with all the trimmings served from 11:20 am until 12:20 pm. Parents are always welcome!

At 12:20 pm, The Dragons' Play Day begins with fun for all! Past favorite events include sidewalk art, marble games and fingernail painting. Parents are invited to participate in, or lead play day events. Come see the sign-up sheet in the office. Help with one of our event ideas or add your own! The more events that we have, both indoors and out, the bigger blast our play day will be. We are gathering event ideas so be sure to add yours to the list! Here is a list of the picnic contributions students in each class should bring:

Corise:	Chips
Anne:	Hot Dogs
Melon:	Cookies
Kendall:	Veggies and Fruit
Bill:	Hot Dog Buns
Joanna:	Ketchup, Mustard, Sweet & Dill Relish, Pickles, & Black Olives (There will be a sign up sheet.)

HEA Poster Contest Winner

Congratulations to Seamus Hatton for winning "Most Creative" in the HEA 2017 Electrical Safety Poster Contest. Way to go! Thanks to everyone who entered a poster in this contest.

Bookmobile coming to McNeil

The Homer Bookmobile will be visiting our school on Monday, May 1st. They are asking for donations of gently used books that can be given out to students on that day. Donations can be dropped off in the big white bus in the hallway. Thank you.



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Next

Site Council Meeting

04 May 17

3:30 p.m.

McNeil Canyon Elementary Library

Agenda:

- Review Pupil Activity Funds
- McNeil Site News
- District Budget Impact

We're on the Web!!
www.mneilcanyon.org

Summer Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all of our students who will celebrate their birthdays over the summer: In **June** – Kiril B., Breyan C., Jody G., Wyatt G., Alexandra J., Myra K., Kiril K., Julian K., Jenna L., Hudson L., Isabella L., Jakob M., Antonina S., Javan W., and Amelia Y. In **July** – Ulita A., Anthony B., Cevir B., Briar B., Cadence C., Nico E., Skye E., Trinity T., and Baron T. In **August** – Haley B., Paxton H., Kavindra J., Jayden L., Caleb M., Ella R., Maxim S., Lucas S., Daisy W., and Eli Weisser.

Spotlight Students

The following students have been selected as Spotlight Students for the month of May: Anthony Basargin, Josie Bustamante, Cadence Campbell, Kayden Crosby, Bethany Engebretsen, Eryn Field, Bristol Johnson, Mylan Johnson, Katerina Kuzmin, Jenna Lapp, Joshua Latham, Alexander LeBlanc, Jakob Murphy, Tatiana Reutov, Coleman Stephens, and Hannah Stonorov. Parents are invited to join their child and the principal for lunch on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at **11:50 am.**

Spotlight Student forms are being sent home with these children today. Please return them as soon as possible so they can be placed on our Spotlight Student bulletin board. Thank you!!

Homer Lifeguard Class

There will be a Lifeguard Class in Homer May 27, 28 & 29, 2017. You must be 15 years or older to certify. At the end of the course students will have American Red Cross Lifeguard/CPR/First Aid certification valid for 2 years. For more information or to register call Bridget at 235-7416.