

Reiche School News

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Walking School Bus

The Walking School Bus needs your help! We are looking for volunteers to walk with our students to school and need at least 1 volunteer on Mondays and 2 volunteers on Tuesdays. Volunteers meet at Reiche at 8am. For more information please email wiggis@portlandschools.org.

Enough Sleep?

Kindergarten – 5th graders require 10-11 hours of sleep every night! Is your child getting enough sleep? All electronic devices should be turned off at least 30 minutes before bed and should not be in the bedroom.

Child Safety

It is important that all children know their own first and last name, their parents' names, street address, and phone numbers of parents. This is important in any emergency situation, from school illness to being able to call and ask for help in the community. Please practice this information with your children at home.

Community Dialogue

Please join educators, Casco Bay Sophomores, parents and other community members and leaders for a dialogue on how to address incidents of bias in our schools and community. This all-day session will take place at Casco Bay High School on Monday, January 22nd. Lunch and childcare will be provided. If you are interested in attending, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/y862husc>

Portland Trails

Did you know, there are 70 miles of trails through Portland, Maine? Visit trails.org for a full map and more details about each trail. A great way to spend your long weekend.

FREE in Portland

Here are some free (and almost free) things to do with your family:

1. **Reiche Community Pool.** Saturdays 12-1:00pm, open swim is \$1 per child and \$4 per adult.
2. **Community Dinners.** Enjoy a meal at Reiche School, Mondays at 5:15pm, or at the Salvation Army, Tuesdays at 5:00pm.
3. **Coats for Kids.** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-11am, at the Salvation Army. 297 Cumberland Ave. Coats available for adults and children. One coat per family.
4. **Portland Museum of Art.** Every Friday night the Portland Museum of Art is free to enter between 4-8:00pm.
5. **Portland Public Library.**
 - Singing Under the Sun. Sunday, January 13, 10:30-11:15am. A pop-up sing-along for families. Come! Sit! Read! Tuesday, January 16 and 23. 3:30 – 5:00pm. With dogs to lend a listening ear.
 - Creative Movement with Portland City Ballet. Saturday, January 20. 11:30am – 12:00pm.

Thank you for reading our bi-weekly newsletter! Please contact Susan Wiggin or Anne Baltren with questions or suggestions (wiggis@portlandschools.org or baltra@portlandschools.org).

Important Dates

Monday, Jan 15:
No School – MLK Day

Wednesday, Jan 17:
2:30pm dismissal

Wednesday, Jan 24:
2:30pm dismissal

Thursday, Jan 25
@ 5:30pm:
Family Connection Night

Wednesday, Jan 31:
2:30pm dismissal

Saturday, Feb 10:
Winter Fest