

Reiche School News

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Welcome!

Please welcome Wendy Cody to the Reiche Community! Wendy joins us as a long-term substitute ELL teacher beginning Monday, March 25th. Wendy comes to us from Falmouth Schools and Yarmouth Schools where she has been an RTI interventionist. Previously she was employed as an English teacher in Granada, Spain, and as a head teacher in Mansfield, CT. She holds a Masters degree in teaching and learning from Teachers College at Columbia University and is close to completing her second masters in ESL, from USM. Welcome Ms. Cody!

Visit King Middle School!

Come for a night of great music and performances! King's 14th annual Faculty Talent Show and Auction is Thursday, April 25th at 5pm. It's a great way to get to know King Middle School and its staff.

Testing, Testing...

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are powering through MEA testing. It takes a lot of stamina to do their best on the test. Please continue to help make sure your child is getting regular sleep and eating breakfast. Good luck 3rd-5th grade!

Online Safety

We take safety seriously and always want our students to feel safe and know what to do if they feel uncomfortable. Please help us in teaching students about how to be safe online. Here are a few tips from the US Department of Education and Common Sense Media:

1. Supervise and monitor online use: this includes youtube and online video games.
2. Did you know? Youtube has a "safety mode" and Google has a "safe search". You can turn on these settings to filter out any inappropriate language or content.
3. Promote appropriate interactions: teach kids how to make responsible decisions and think about the consequences of being mean or rude online.
4. Report it! Teach kids to tell an adult when something comes up on the screen that seems wrong or makes them uncomfortable. Don't respond to it, or click on it. Report it to an adult.

Visit commonsensemedia.org for lots more information on tv shows, games, and websites that are appropriate for kids as well as advice for handling any concerns you may have. Ms. Baltren and Ms. Turner are also available to help.

Important Dates

Tuesday, Mar 26
Talent Show Dress
Rehearsal
3:30-5pm

Tuesday, Mar 26
PTO Auction @ Salvage
BBQ
7-9:00pm

Wednesday, Mar 27
2:30 Dismissal

Thursday, Mar 28
School-wide Assembly:
Attendance and 3 R's
Awards
2:30pm

Tuesday, Apr 2
Talent Show Dress
Rehearsal
3:30-5pm

Wednesday, April 3
2:30 Dismissal

Friday, Apr 5
5th Grade Trip to Boston

Tuesday, Apr 9
Talent Show
2pm & 6pm

Thank you for reading our bi-weekly newsletter!

Please contact Anne Baltren with questions or suggestions (baltra@portlandschools.org).