

The Torch



Newsletter



It's almost here!
Brighton's 11th annual
Jog-a-Thon

A big **Thank You** to every one who has brought in their addresses! Over 300 addresses were submitted and letters are now being mailed. With only 4 weeks until the Jog-a-Thon here are our top priorities:

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- 1. Call all family and friends who's address you submitted -** We have found that a personal touch from the students really helps! If you have not sent in addresses please bring them in!
- 2. Get Jogathon Pledges—**Jog-a-Thon packets have been sent home with pledge sheets and instructions. We have set a goal of \$100 per students. Please help your students collect pledges!
- 3. Sell Raffle Tickets—**Jog-a-Thon packets were sent home with raffle tickets, come to the office if you need more tickets. This is an amazing raffle, for just \$5 a ticket we are offering a chance to win \$500 in Costco or Walmart gift card. The tickets actually sell themselves, just ask your neighbors, family and friends.

GOAL: Reaching your student's \$100 goal will count towards 3 months of your volunteer duty. Because we rely on these fundraisers to help fund our school activities, it is very important that all students & parents participate in this fundraiser. Please contact the front office or Christie Hayes 541-941-2619.

Pirate Costume Contest

On Jog-a-Thon day we are asking everyone to come dressed in their favorite Pirate costume. We will judge students as they run, and we will have fun prizes for the winners!



12th Annual Jog-a-Thon Prizes

Pre-K, K, 1st: Grand Prize is a Treasure Chest great prizes

2nd- 12th: Grand Prize is a \$300 cash booty

Limousine Ride: All students who raise \$220



Raffle Tickets: All students can sell these "shopping spree" raffle tickets for \$5 each to family, friends and neighbors. The raffle winner will receive \$500 in gift cards for either Costco or Walmart. Sales of raffle tickets can really boost your child's pledge totals!

Jog-a-Thon Festivities—May 14th

Jog-a-Thon Class Fair

Each class will have a table to sell goodies on Jog-a-Thon day. With this year's Pirate theme our fair should be argh-tacular! Proceeds will go towards our end of the year dance party. We are in **need** of parents to help their child's class plan and coordinate this project. Please contact your teachers to offer your support.

A special "thank you" to Human Bean for their generous donations!

"Best of Times 2015"

Saturday, May 30th we will have food, dancing and fun in the Brighton gym. Admission is free to this semi-formal event. For students Pre-K thru 5th party time is 6pm to 7:30pm and for students 6th thru 12th grade it is 7:45pm to 10:45pm.



Fundraising Policy

Our Jog-a-Thon is next month and we need to stress the necessity of participation this year. Brighton has a published fundraising policy requiring all families to participate in both of our fundraisers and meet the set goals. This year we are asking all families to contribute a minimum of \$100 to our Jog-a-Thon. Raffle tickets and student pledges made by you or any friends/family members count towards this goal. If families do not reach this goal through donations they will be billed. This fundraising policy is essential for Brighton's budget to balance. We need your support!

Garden of Eatin'



Miss Cheryl and our Brighton students have been very busy, and our garden is once again coming to life! All the students love coming into the garden. They are so enthusiastic that some even ask to help during their recess breaks.

They love to pick vegetables, fruits and our edible flowers and eat them while meandering in the garden. This year we would like to expand the garden to offer even more of a selection for everyone to enjoy.

Here is our wish list, to donate please contact the front office.

- A Roll of Plastic Visqueen for plastic mulch and/or used carpet to use as a geotextile mulch for weed barrier.
- Wood chips and/or straw bales
- Railroad ties for boundaries on open beds.
- Semi Dwarf fruit trees: Pear, Apple, peach, apricot, plum. (please No Cherry...we already have 2)
- Walnut tree and any other nut tree that grows in our area
- Blueberry plants

April 2015

April Teachers of the Month

Congrats Mr. & Mrs. P!



Brighton is so fortunate to have both the Podolskis on our teaching team. Mr. P leads our science department and shares his love of science with all our students. Mrs. P is our kindergarten teacher and she runs our extended day program. They are both warm, smart, and

enthusiastic teachers, and we love them dearly. Thank you both for all your dedication!

RCC Placement Test Prep

Students will be taking the RCC placement test on Thursday, May 21st. We will be offering Friday preparatory classes from 2pm to 3pm in the computer room. These classes are free of charge and highly recommended for all testers.

Brighton Yearbook

Abigail M. was the winner of our yearbook art contest! Her work will be on our 2014/2013 yearbook's cover. Our Brighton yearbooks will go on sale next month in the Brighton front office for \$27.50 each. Please e-mail any great pictures you have from this school year to:

yearbook@brightonacademy.org.

Brighton Presents



"Once Upon a Mattress"

Don't miss our Spring play, directed by Bruce Allen and Elise Epstein, will be at Barnstormers. We ask all families to come support our Theatre Department by helping with or attending a performance! (Ticket prices are \$10.00 adult, and \$8 student/senior.)

Performance Dates

Friday May 15th at 6:30 pm,
Saturday May 16th at 1:00 pm & at 6:30 pm

RCMA Summer Classes

Our Kung-Fu and Judo classes are a great way to stay on top of your game through the summer! \$50.00 a month, paid in advance, sign up in the front office.

- Monday** 3:15 - 4:30 (Kung-fu 11 & over)
- Tuesday** 3:15 - 4:30 (Judo 10 & under)
- Tuesday** 5:00 - 6:30 (Judo 11 & over)
- Wednesday** 3:15 - 4:30 (Kung-Fu 10 & under)
- Thursday** 3:15 - 4:30 (Judo 11 & over)
- Friday** 6:00 - 8:00 (Adult Judo class)

Brighton Summer Camp

This summer we will be offering a day camp on our campus with Chanel Brown and assistants. It will run from June 22nd to August 14th, Monday thru Thursday from 8am - 5pm.

There will be theatre, arts & crafts, gardening, cooking, daily reading, lots of water playing and tons of fun! Drop in rate is \$4 per hour.



- **Full time: \$800 (+ \$40 material fee)**
- **Part time: \$480 (+ \$40 material fee)**

Prices include water, afternoon snack daily and camp t-shirts. RCMA will offer a summer kung-fu class for an additional \$100, this is an 8 week session with Sensei Dan. Please sign up in the front office or contact Chanel Brown at 541-295-9466.

Math Tutoring

We will continue to offer math tutoring every Friday from 12 noon to 2 pm in the math school room. Students 6th grade and up are welcome, and this tutoring is free of charge.



Important Dates

- April 18th** - Judo tournament at NV High
- May 4th thru 7th** - Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 7th** - Smokey the Bear visits K & 1st grade
- May 14th** - JOG-A-THON
- May 15th & 16th** - "Once Upon a Mattress"
- May 21st** - RCC Placement testing
- May 25th** - Memorial Day observed
- May 30th** - Best of Times 2015 Dance
- June 3rd** - Kindergarten Graduation (9:00am)
- June 3rd** - Jog-a-Thon Prizes & Raffle (11:00am)
- June 3rd** - Last day of school
- June 3rd** - Limo Ride winners (12-3)
- June 5th** - 8th grade Graduation (5:30 pm)
- June 6th** - 12th grade Graduation (6:00 pm)
- June 12th** - Last day of RCC's classes
- June 14th** - Report cards mailed
- June 15th thru June 19th** - Girls' Volleyball Camp
- June 22nd** - Summer Camp starts