



Friday Flier



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Important Dates

April 23: Talent Show Tonight- 6:30-8:30 -cafeteria

April 27: Tech Night 6:30 - 7:30 pm

April 29: PreK Info Meeting- Library- 6:30pm

April 30: PreK Info Meeting- Library -9:00 am

April 30: Night of Magic Auction 6:30-10:00 at Disjecta

May 3-7: Staff Appreciation Week

May 4: 1st Grade Parent Reading Workshop-6-7:30 pm (by invitation)

May 5: Plant Sale Delivery

May 6: Library Night- 7:00-8:00 pm

May 7: Cup of Joe with Joe- Library-8:50-10:00

May 12: ESL Breakfast- Library-9-10 am

May 17-21: Spring Book Fair

May 19: Late Opening

A Few Thoughts from Mr. Galati

Mitch Albom once said, "The way you get meaning into your life is to devote yourself to loving others, devote yourself to your community around you, and devote yourself to creating something that gives you purpose and meaning."

This past Saturday morning, Chief Joseph was given a special gift. Twenty eight students and three adults from Southridge High School in the Beaverton School District came out to weed, plant, and prune the garden and rose beds in front of Chief Joseph. The convoy of cars and trucks from Beaverton delivered potting soil, plants, shrubs, trees, tools, and flowers. Within two hours, the work was completed. To see a group of people giving so freely of their time and enjoying themselves was refreshing and encouraging. This kind gesture made a difference for our school, and their labor intensive work is deeply appreciated. The community at Chief Joseph says thank you to our new friends and partners from Southridge High School

A Day at STARBASE by Carlee, 5th grade student

Last Thursday, Ms. Senga's class and I went to Starbase. As our bus pulled into Starbase, Ms. Wong, the instructor greeted us with a friendly smile. We stepped inside and Ms. Knutsen, another instructor, explained the projects to us as we sat at our seats. The first thing that we did was split into three groups. The first group looked at a grid map and found coordinates to famous D.C. buildings. The second group built a rocket on the computer with 3-D digital software. The third group experimented on how big they could make



towers out of five straws, five paper clips, five toothpicks, tape and paper. We rotated three times and then we had lunch. In the afternoon, we spent time making rocket seats that were safe and padded enough so that an egg wouldn't break as

it went down a steep incline. Ms. Knutsen demonstrated it for us and she ran her "rocket seat egg" into a wall. Her rocket didn't break. Thankfully, we all had a good time and no eggs were broken. What a fun day we had!

A Night of Magic IN HAVANA

What: SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION BENEFITING ARTS & SCIENCE PROGRAMMING AT CHIEF JOSEPH ELEMENTARY

When: FRIDAY, APRIL 30TH, 2010 – 6:30 PM – 1 0PM

Where: DISJECTA - 8371 N. INTERSTATE AVENUE, PORTLAND OR

Dress: COME AS YOU ARE, OR GET INTO THE THEME AND DRESS WITH A CUBAN FLAIR!

Tickets are on sale NOW before and after school, or email Jenefer or Amy at NIGHTOFMAGICAUCTION@CHIEFJOEPTA.COM-ADMISSION – \$25 individual or \$40 a pair. Join us for an exciting night of camaraderie with Cuban themed food, beverages and competitive bidding!

- *Seattle get-away with overnight stay at Hotel Monaco
- *Wine country tour and bed and breakfast
- *Portland Timbers tickets, Beavers Baseball tickets, Zoo & OMSI Tickets and more!
- *Skateboard package including board and helmet
- *Dinner for 6 at Mr. Galati's
- *4-week Boot camp for women
- *Original artwork and sculpture from local artists
- *Sail on the Columbia River for six
- * Private tour of Laika Studios – where Coraline was filmed





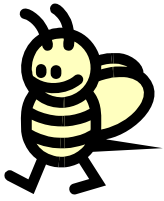
GIRLS NIGHT OUT..... WAS A GREAT TIME FOR OUR STUDENTS AND OUR ADULTS



2nd Grade Takes a Trip

By Calvin, 2nd grade student

Last week Mr Claborn's class went to see a puppet show at the Portland Children's Theater. We saw a puppet show called *Malika, The Queen of Cats*. It was funny. There was a cat on stilts who kept almost falling over. His stilts would get crossed and then he got off balance and fell backwards. What made it really funny were the sound effects. It went "POOMP!" when he fell. At the end of the play, the people who work the puppets showed us how they make the puppets move. They were sitting and moving quickly on chairs with wheels. We learned a Lifeskill called "No Put-downs". They said in the show that "Words can sting likes bees and wasps". OUCH!



Malik, The Queen of the Cats

By Maisie, Alexis, and Nicole, 2nd Grade students

Ms. McCalley's class went to see *Malik, The Queen of the Cats*. One of the characters was Siti. Siti had two pet chickens. Queen Malik gave Siti onion and garlic skins. Queen Malik said "put the onion and garlic skins under your bed". Siti put the onion and garlic skins under her bed then she fell asleep. All of a sudden the onion and garlic skins danced all around. The next day Siti woke up and



the onion and garlic skins turned into gold and silver money. She bought one chicken for the bakery. And she bought her grandchildren presents: a puzzle and a

notebook. The play was awesome because there was so much going on. By the way, have you ever seen a talking cat?



Southridge High School Provides a Landscape Splash



Slimy, Mucous Worms

By Morgan, 1st grade student

Worms do everything humans do except walk and talk. They also eat differently. They eat dirt, they always are born blind, and they have mucous. Worms are cool because they are slimy, they live outside and they slither along.

Student Writing

- M** multiplication
- A** addition
- T** totally
- H** healthy

Brendan 4th grade student

To Chief Joseph,

by Malekpo, 1st grade student

Dear Chief Joseph, I wish you were alive so that you could talk to me. I want to know about the war you were in, about how the women could not dance, and about how you lived. You could teach us so much. You gave us peace.



Hester was busy in the garden last Saturday using a shovel to get rid of those pesky weeds.

Nez Perce History with NET Books by Daniel, 4th grade student

This week the 4th grade students in Ms. Stro's class are using Net Books. As you know, a Net Book is a little computer that is smaller than a laptop. In class we are using them for information. For example, we are able to get on the internet and do research. See, we are currently reading a book in class called Thunder Rolling in the Mountains which is about Chief Joseph. The neat thing is that the narrator is his daughter (her name is Sound of Running Feet).

The reason why we are using the Net Books is that we are doing a very large history assignment on the Nez Perce Tribe and the history of Chief Joseph. We are supposed to do a large poster for the assignment and Ms. Stro expects us to give a speech to the other students in our Reading group.

So, if you are in the lower grades, get ready because you will do assignments like this as you get older. My advice to you is to be prepared and make sure you are being good in class, complete your work, and you will see how useful the Net Books are.



The Counselor's Corner By Ms. Liz Dawson, Counselor

CARING is the Life Skill this week at Chief Joseph. I was sitting at my desk Monday morning when in flew Ms. Senga, the fifth grade teacher. "Can you come with us on the field trip today to the courthouse downtown? We need one more chaperone." "Well, gee, uh...." I stumbled. I've always loved to go on field trips. "Sure," I said. "We're leaving in ten minutes," and off she went. It wasn't until we had walked half way to the MAX when I wondered if Ms. Senga could do without me. The shoes I had picked out that morning were anything but walking shoes. I imagined the shape I would be in after walking to the MAX, around downtown and then the eight blocks or so from the MAX back to school.

"Do you really think you need me, Ms. Senga?" "We need you, Ms. Dawson," she said. And am I lucky she did. The fifth grade trip was a blast! We spent time in the Federal Courthouse before we walked

over to the Multnomah County Courthouse. At the County Courthouse, each chaperone, along with their four assigned students, were allowed to visit any courtroom in the building. My group picked out five courtrooms they wanted to visit. Unfortunately, each one we went to was empty. Since our time was growing short, we simply picked a courtroom that had people in it. The stage was set. The prosecutor and the defense lawyer were at their tables. The bailiff was at his desk. The judge at his perch had the best seat in the house. In came the defendant, a slight young man in his twenties with flame red hair and icy blue eyes, sandwiched between two officers. There was something that troubled me about this young man's look.

"Something had gone wrong for him," I thought to myself. Someone had not cared for him. Who had not cared for him? Was it his family, or the schools he went to, or simply society at large, that he now faced a judge

who would sentence him to prison? One of my young charges pulled on my sleeve and we all stood up to go. I looked down at their bright, smiling faces and knew they were cared for; they had parents who loved and cherished them, and teachers and school staff who loved and cared for them. Was it luck or destiny that I knew these kids would not end up where the red haired young man now stood? Or was it the simple fact that these children had people who cared about them? The huge courtroom door closed silently as we slipped outside. In the future, I will keep a pair of tennis shoes in my desk, just in case I get invited on another field trip!



PreK Informational Meetings

We are holding two informational meetings to fill new PreK parents in on the latest information about the new entry and registration process. If you or someone you know has a child entering PreK in September 2010, please plan to attend one of these meetings. Spread the word!!

Thursday, April 29th at 6:30 pm in the Chief Joseph Library

Friday, April 30th at 9:00 am in the Chief Joseph Library



U.S. Map

We want to send a big THANK YOU to Lowe's for the grant they've given us to paint the U.S. Map on our playground. During the next four weeks you will see our progress.

Thank you Lowe's!

Spring Clean Rummage Sale

May 22nd – 9:30 – 3:30

The PTA of Chief Joseph Elementary school will hold its first "Spring Clean" Rummage sale on Saturday May 22nd, from 9:30 A.M till 3:30 P.M. at the school, rain or shine! Good weather will see us set up on the blacktop playground at the back of the school, and wet weather will see us set up in the cafeteria. Please watch your students' folders for a flyer with all the details as well as a request for the donation of any items you may wish to "spring clean". We will be accepting all items that are in a clean and usable condition. Anything left at the end of the day will be donated directly to a local charity donation center. This should be a great opportunity to raise some much needed funds for the many ongoing and potential programs that the PTA seeks to support. All money generated by the Rummage Sale goes directly to the school! So start cleaning out that back closet and that other side of the garage and let's turn that old stuff into something great for our students!

The Chief Joseph Classified Staff would like to thank the teachers for giving us a spectacular brunch on Wednesday morning. We feel so appreciated! Thank you for your wonderful food and gracious words.



Student Art



Special Points of Thanks

Thank you to **Mr. Jaquiss** for your very clear and specific training of Web Pages at Monday's Staff Meeting!!

Thank you to **Ms. Sands** for supervising the Talent Show Friday night.

Thank you to **Ms. Stro** for covering the building on Thursday morning.

Thank you to **Mr. Hudson** and the **entire staff** for making this Run for the Arts one of the best experiences.

Thank you to the many **Chief Joseph parents** who have volunteered to make our Night of Magic happen. We love you guys!!!



The Trip to the Multnomah County Courthouse

By Oliver, 4th Grade Student

On April 8, 2010, Ms. Stro's 4th and 5th grade class went on a field trip to the Multnomah County Courthouse in downtown Portland. We had a guide who took us around the courthouse, and the other surrounding buildings. The guide also showed us the courthouse procedures, all the different types of courtrooms, and many of the court jobs. Upon entering the courthouse we had to walk through a metal detector. All our backpacks, purses,



pocket change, watches and cell phones had to be put through a separate metal detector that had to be checked by a guard to make sure we didn't have a weapon or anything illegal.

The field trip was very interesting and I learned a lot about how a courthouse and courtrooms operate, what kinds of jobs there are at the courthouse, all the crimes, and the penalties for those crimes. So, make sure you know and follow the rules. Ask any student in Ms. Stro's class... they know the rules.



THE UNIVERSITY OF PORTLAND CONTINUES TO WORK WITH CHIEF JOSEPH



Thank you to Greg Ostrander (far left) who mowed our lawns this past week, Tony Carter Forman (enter picture) who repaired several valves in the boys' bathrooms, and Jesse Deerwester (pictured right) changed out two faucets so that our little students could wash their hands easier We Appreciate you guys and the high quality of work you provide for our schools.

4th and 5th grade students have been going to Starbase

By Blu and Jasmine, 5th Grade students



flies. The cockpit is where the pilot sits. The ailerons make the plane roll and they are on the wings. The elevators make the plane pitch—moving up and down in the air, and the rudder makes the plane go side to side. We have done one experiment so far. Our job

was to make a safe cockpit for our passenger—the egg. What this means is that we used whatever was available to make the egg crash resistant. We only were given 6 million dollars, so if we wanted to buy cardboard this would cost us one million dollars. Then, after we assembled the cockpit, we flew them down on diagonal wires into a board. One of our teams (Fita, Daylene, Marcus and Daniel) successfully made a safe landing. No one thought that their cockpit would work because it looked “squished together”. Yet, it did work.

We like Starbase because they teach you interesting facts about scientific things, but they make it fun and entertaining.



First, what do you think Starbase is? Well, Starbase is learning about aerodynamics. Portland isn't the only city that has Starbase. Other cities have it too. Last week, Ms. Stro's class went to Starbase where we learned about the basic parts of an airplane and how it

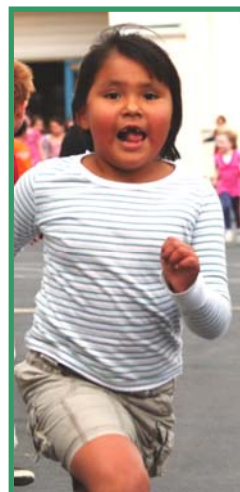
Hello! My name is Emily Hart, and I am a Freshman Elementary Education major at the University of Portland. As an education major, the classes I am taking at the University require 36 hours per semester to be spent in an elementary classroom at a school in North Portland. This semester I was assigned to work with Mr. Jaquiss in his fourth grade class. As a future teacher, it is such a great experience to spend any time in the classroom and this semester I was thrilled to be working with the fourth graders. I helped out two times a week in the class, observing, and helping students individually with homework, class work, projects, and more. They were truly a joy to work with and I learned a great deal about students and how the school works while interning here. The students in my class, as well as other students throughout the school, and the faculty at Chief Joseph were all extremely welcoming. Everyone seemed to be pleased that I was here to help and I realized what a strong community and school looked like. Chief Joseph is the perfect example of a school built upon the community that surrounds it. Everyone who takes part in this elementary school is very fortunate. I will greatly miss working at the school and with my teacher and students!

RUN FOR THE ARTS 2010

By Hazel, 3rd grade student

Run for the Arts is where kids of all ages at Chief Joseph can run laps outside and raise money for the Arts. Whoever raises the most money wins a first or second place medal. Everybody runs for a half an hour so hopefully everyone ate well and got enough rest the night before.

Run for the Arts is a very tiring thing. Your body will get hot so you will get tired. But running is worth it because it is about the arts! And as every Chief Joseph student knows – Running for the Arts is great fun!! Remember we run for the arts.



Class Pictures

Did you pay \$8.50 for the class picture taken on the playground on April 1st and not receive it yet? Please notify the office immediately so we can get one for you.



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A School Focused on Safety, Achievement, and the Joy of Learning

Friday Flier Writers featured this week:

- Carlee Durkee
- Calvin Dunleavy
- Maisie McCarley
- Alexia Quiroz
- Nicole Maldonado
- Morgan Fitzpatrick
- Brendan Harris
- Malekpo Ketevi
- Daniel Lasuncet
- Oliver Erickson
- Blu Midyett
- Jasmine Huffman
- Hazel Lucey
- Elliot Hartley



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We at Chief Joseph dedicate ourselves to promoting the knowledge of each learner in an atmosphere of safety, achievement, and the joy of learning. We work toward our goals collaboratively as a staff and with parents and our community. We believe that every child can learn and that it is our responsibility to make it happen. Children have the right to learn in a school where everyone feels that they belong and can contribute to the community, and where the whole child can exercise their mind, body and voice.

Don't forget the Chief Joseph TECHNOLOGY NIGHT on Tuesday, April 27th from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM!!

Chief Joseph at a Glance

Pre K: We have been talking about different ways to travel the world, the country and in the city. We are getting so ready for kindergarten, learning all of our letters and their sounds, and 99 percent of us can write our names. Some still need to pay more attention to the hat line, belt line and shoe line when writing their name. Parents: that would be a good skill to work on with your child at home. We all know our colors, shapes, sorting and patterning, and even some addition problems. We are learning about our five senses and what they do, along with the parts of our body. Our social skills are growing rapidly and everyone gets along so well. We have such fun and the children love school. YEAH!!!

First Grade: There are lots of wiggly, squiggly animals in the first grade classrooms these days. We have mealworms, which are the larva stage of beetles, and caterpillars turning into chrysalises which will turn

into Painted Lady Butterflies. We are enjoying observing the changes that happen during metamorphosis, recording data, making predictions, and waiting for the adults to emerge. We love science!

Third Grade: Now that the third graders have finished their wonderful performance of the Portland Play, we are getting ready to write speeches about Portland. These speeches, as well as work samples in writing, math problem solving, and science will be used as performance assessments for the students. This is part of the testing procedure that begins in the third grade and the kids love looking for their best work to submit for their work sample. The third graders also continue to use the Netbooks for math and writing. They have been working hard in reading and science as well.

Music: Students in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 3

are preparing for the Spring Music Concert on May 24, at 7:00. Music lyric sheets are available in the music room.

School Office Reminders: Please try to have your students to school on time. If you are late, please check in at the office (8:50 or later). If you don't, your child may be counted absent for the day.

If your student will not be in school, please call the school office any time and let us know (voice mail is fine if you wish to call before office hours—the office opens at 7:45 am).

Remember to pick your students up on time after school. Prompt pick-up after our after-school classes is greatly appreciated—the office closes at 4:15 pm.

Please check with the office if you are missing keys, money, etc. We keep all of the small items in the office and have many, many keys!

