



# Brouillet Elementary Bobcat Newsletter

March/April 2017



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS . . .

3/8	STEM Showcase
3/13	PTA General Mem. Meeting 6:30pm
3/15	Quest Special Guest Lunch 11:15am
3/22	Early Release
3/23	No School
4/9-13	No School-Spring Break
4/19	Class pictures
4/19	4th Gr. Symphony field trip
4/20	PTA Movie Night & Book Fair
4/23-27	PTA Book Fair (3-3:30pm)
4/25	Mrs. Nylund and Mrs. Johnson's classes on field trip
4/27	PTA Talent Show Tryouts
5/4	PTA Bingo Night
5/8	PTA Board Meeting 3:15pm
5/18	PTA Talent Show 5:30pm

3/20/18 – [Young Scholars](#) Parent Information Night, Zeiger Elementary 7:00 pm -8:00 pm

Highly Capable Young Scholars (K-2)

Testing Kindergarten and First graders for Fall placement

[Application](#) for Spring Young Scholars deadline 4/3/18

Testing will be conducted at our district [testing center](#), and parent/guardian will need to transport student

## Message From the Principal

*Hello, Brouillet Families!*

*We will soon begin our annual state assessments for students in grades 3-6 at Brouillet. Students in Washington State take the Smarter Balanced assessment (SBA). This assessment is taken completely online which allows teachers and parents to get the results much sooner than we have in the past. In fact, part of the assessment is "computer adaptive". This means that the test is individualized for each student – if a student is struggling it will generate slightly less difficult questions and if a student is easily answering correctly, it will raise the level of difficulty. This provides us with very detailed information about each student. Taken as a whole, student assessment scores let us know how we're doing as a school and what changes we need to make to improve our instruction even more.*

*The SBA is very important, and our students take it seriously. We also know that the SBA is one tool that measures a student's academic performance at a single point in time, and kids are so much more than their test scores. Kindness, determination, compassion, creativity and perseverance are a few other things that make a successful person, and those things aren't measured by a test.*

*We have super smart Bobcats, and I'm excited for them to have the opportunity to show what they know! During the assessment window, and really every school day, you can help your child by making sure that they get plenty of sleep, eat healthy meals, and arrive at school on time.*

*If you want to learn more about state assessments, you can check out the family resources provided by the state Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction at*

<http://www.k12.wa.us/resources/#2>

*Ms. Strobel*

[http://bro.puyallup.k12.wa.us/pages/Brouillet\\_Elementary](http://bro.puyallup.k12.wa.us/pages/Brouillet_Elementary)

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Please know that we have full time nurses here at Brouillet and you may call them during school hours if you have concerns or questions about sending your child to school.

## WHEN IS SICK TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?



### SEND ME TO SCHOOL IF...

I have a runny nose, minor sore throat or just a little cough, but no other symptoms.

I haven't taken any fever reducing medicine for 24 hours, and I haven't had a fever during that time.

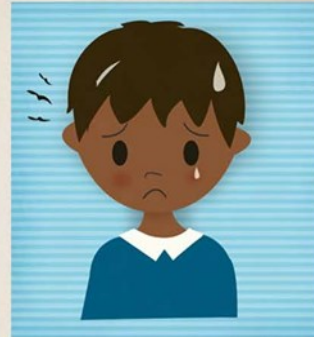
I haven't thrown up or had any diarrhea for 24 hours.



### KEEP ME AT HOME IF...

I have a temperature higher than 100.4 degrees F (38 Celsius) or higher.

I'm throwing up or have diarrhea.



### CALL THE DOCTOR IF...

I have a temperature higher than 100.4 degrees F for more than two days.

I've been throwing up or have diarrhea for more than two days.

I've had the sniffles for more than a week, and they aren't getting better.

I still have asthma symptoms after using my asthma medicine (and call 911 if I'm having trouble breathing after using an inhaler).

IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT DUE TO ILLNESS, PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO LET US KNOW AND TURN IN A WRITTEN NOTE THE FIRST DAY YOUR CHILD RETURNS TO SCHOOL.

Excerpts taken from BCPS January 2014 Family Menu



**Practice**  
like you've never won.

**Perform**  
like you've never lost.

## Stahl pick-up Information:

Just a friendly reminder for all Stahl pickups, please pull to the curb to pick up. We do not want students entering the parking lot unattended.

### IMPORTANT VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Did you know that all volunteers should only use the restrooms located in the office? This is important to protect you and our students.

#### SBA TESTING

Brouillet's testing dates are March 20-June 5. Grades 3-6 participate in the testing and your child's teacher will let you know what dates his/her class will be testing. No volunteers will be allowed in a classroom during a testing day. In order for your child to be best prepared and do their best on the test it is important to:

**REST:** Get several good night's sleep before the test.

**LISTEN:** Pay attention to the directions that are given for each test and then follow them exactly. If the directions are not clear to you, ask the teacher to please repeat the directions.

**TRY:** Do your best. Read each item carefully. Think about how to respond. Always check your work

**SUPPORT:** Outside appointments during this time prevent your child from being present to participate with the other students. Make-up tests can be difficult to reschedule and require your child to miss out on class time. Please make an extra effort to have your child present during all scheduled testing days. Make sure that your child understands that the test results simply give information.

## News and Reminders from The A.P. Desk

Hello Brouillet Families,

I hope that the year is going great for everyone. As we start the second half of the school year, now is a great time for some important reminders.

Please do not bring pets onto school grounds. More and more of our students and staff have various pet allergies, so unless you have a Service Dog, we kindly request that you don't bring pets onto school grounds.

It is our practice to not have parents walk their students to class in the mornings. They must line-up and go in with their class. If they are late, they can walk on their own or we will walk them to class.

6th graders must be dropped off at Brouillet before school, even if they are tardy.

Thank You in advance for your cooperation in these matters!

***Sam Sharpe***

Assistant Principal



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Questions or complaints of alleged discrimination may be directed to:

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