



From the Principal

Principal Kristin Bailey
kbailey@nsd.org

Arrowhead Community,

When our leadership team met in August to reopen in-person learning as thoughtfully as possible, we first established three priorities that would drive every decision. They were that students learn to connect and work with others, have trust in the community, and establish connections and relationships as part of a community. I can't tell you how many times I have been grateful we set those three simple things as our guiding goals for the year.



During Zoom school we learned to communicate even when muted. The sign for "I love you" is I, L and Y simultaneously.

You will see this a lot on campus. We sign "I Love You" across the playground, through bus and car windows at the end of the day, and as students are walking to and from specialists, passing people they love and who love them. It's wonderful.

It's even a part of a student's self-portrait.

Despite the masks, the distancing this fall and the ongoing worry, this has been an absolutely fabulous year for the Arrowhead community, in large part because of how you, our families, have leaned in to help us grow these children every step of the way and because this is a community that openly, unabashedly expresses love.



Our WATCH D.O.G.s, our Art Docents, and our PTA exec team and volunteers are like a safety net that made sure staff and students were supported during a year that brought unfamiliar challenges and opportunities.

Watching one of our talented art docents in a second-grade classroom yesterday reminded me that our art docent program not only teaches students about art, it also

gives the classroom teacher a valuable opportunity to sit back and observe children as learners and artists, something that has been essential as we try to meet the social, emotional and academic needs of our students. Thank you to every one of you who has helped make this year successful.

We have some exciting opportunities for us to come together as a community this spring. Dr. Reid will visit Arrowhead on Friday, April 22 and will be available in our library to meet with parents from 8:35-9:05am. We have scheduled our Kindergarten Open House (5:30-6:00pm) and Art Night (6:00-8:00pm) on May 26th and we are moving forward with Carnival on June 10th (6:00-8:00pm). It's been a long time since we were able to share this space, and I am looking forward to all of these events.

Speaking of space, while our sweet little school is “kind of old but we love it” as a student told me last week, we will be getting a new turf field on the big dirt field to our south as part of the recently passed Capital Project Bond. We will also be getting a little “spit and polish” with some painting and repair of existing structures, like the covered ball court down by the gym. Again, we can thank our larger community for passing the Capital Project Bond and making it possible for our facilities to be at their best for our kids.

We've been enjoying these beautiful spring days and never take for granted what a gift it is to be here together. Please mark your calendars for our spring events, and thank you for everything you do to make Arrowhead the loving community it is.

Kristin

Notes from the Office

[View our Calendar](#)

Heidi Smith hsmith@nsd.org

Kelly Vedaa kvedaa@nsd.org

Moving?

If you are moving to another school next year, please let our school office know so that we can plan for classroom sizes and staffing. Please call the office at 425.408.4000 or email Heidi Smith, Secretary / Registrar hsmith@nsd.org.

We are accepting Waivers for the 2022-2023 School Year

Did you know families outside of our boundary can choose Arrowhead with a waiver? We have space at our school to accommodate additional students in 2022-23 and beyond. Families looking for a smaller, more-inclusive elementary school, or who may be looking for a school with an innovative project-based learning curriculum would make a great addition to our community!

Interested families can reach out to Principal Bailey with any questions and/or you can direct people to the [Waiver information page](#) on the district website.

Let's keep our community strong!

Kindergarten Registration for 2022-2023 is Open

We are so excited to welcome the Class of 2035! Please register your child if you have not done so. Let your friends and neighbors know as well. If you have any questions regarding enrollment at Arrowhead, please contact Heidi Smith, Secretary/Registrar at hsmith@nsd.org or 425.408.4003.

Registration is done online, please follow this [registration link](#) to start the process. All kindergarteners must be 5 years old on or by August 31, 2022.

Arrowhead Kindergarten Open House - May 26, 5:30pm

All are invited to tour our Kindergarten classrooms, playground, and stay for PTA's Art Night and Auction following the Open House at 6:00pm.

Picture Day is Coming Soon!

Class Photos and Spring Individual Photos will be taken on Wednesday April 20, 2022. Place your order today at mydorian.com. Search for Arrowhead Elementary, click the green "Order" button next to the Spring Picture Day event, and place your order! All orders for spring pictures must be placed before 9:00 AM on picture day. Only students with an order will be photographed individually.

Volunteer Applications

With volunteers back in school, please make sure you have filled out the [volunteer application and uploaded your Covid vaccination card](#). This application now needs to be done each year. Volunteers that have not completed the application and Covid vaccination card upload will not be able to be in the classrooms or help with field trips. Please reach out to the office if you are unsure of your volunteer status.

Arrowhead Care Team

The Arrowhead Care Team is partnering with the Northshore Schools Foundation to help identify and address needs of our families and direct you to community resources and support. If your family needs help with food, clothing, school supplies, technology support, financial assistance, health services, or other assistance, please fill out the confidential Arrowhead Care Team Request Form below. Our Care Team Liaison, Heidi Smith, will contact you to provide support.

[Arrowhead Care Team Request Form](#)

Arrival and Dismissal

School Bell Schedule for 2021-2022

9:05 a.m. School Begins (Students may arrive after 8:45 a.m.)

3:35 p.m. Dismissal

2:05 p.m. Wednesday Early Release

Students arriving after 9:05 a.m. must check in at the office and get a pass before going to class.

Attendance

Late Arrival / Excused Absence

If your child will arrive late or be absent from school:

Call our 24-hour line 425-408-4000 and select option 1

or

Email ahattendance@nsd.org and your student's teacher

Please leave a message or send an email by 9:15 a.m.

Prearranged / Extended Absence

In the event that your child will miss more than 2 school days in a row for a reason other than a health or medical issue, please complete and return a printed copy of the

[Absence Request Form](#) to the office or email a copy of the completed form to ahattendance@nsd.org.

Change in After School Plans

If your child is going to change from their normal method of getting home or has some other alternate plan, please complete and return a printed copy of the [Change in Plan Form](#) or send a note with your student.

Champions Before and After School Care



Give your child a creative space to discover what they love, be original, and build friendships! We currently have space before or after school for children

in grades K - 5 at Arrowhead. We partner with schools to complement the learning they offer with our own robust curriculum for elementary schoolers.

Our programs take extra special care of hearts and minds, and give kids a safe space to do what they do best – be kids!

Ready to Join? Go to discoverchampions.com, or email John Hannay, site Director at john.hannay@discoverchampions.com with any questions.

From the Health Room

Nurse Anne Janssen
ajanssen@nsd.org

Just because it's not COVID, doesn't mean it's not contagious!

District wide, as masks have come off, we are experiencing a higher volume of normal illnesses such as regular colds, flu and stomach bugs. We are still required to follow the [DOH COVID Symptom Tree](#) for any ill symptoms. Please do not send your student to school with cold or flu like symptoms, they will need to go home. Please do not send

your student to school after medicating them in the morning, this will seldom keep symptoms in control beyond lunch, and they will still need to go home. If you are uncertain in the morning if you should send your student to school, please call the office or school nurse

Spring Allergies and COVID

We are well into allergy season which started early this year. Since many allergy symptoms mimic COVID-like symptoms, in order for your student to remain at school with mild allergy symptoms, we are required to have a note on file from your health care provider listing an alternative diagnosis (ie. seasonal allergies), and the expected symptoms of this diagnosis. If your provider cannot rule out a viral illness, your student is required to go home, and depending on the symptoms, may need to have a COVID test to return to school.

Home rapid antigen COVID tests are now accepted for testing your student for return to school after illness or symptoms. We do not need a picture of the test results. Please report the results to the office and/or nurse prior to sending your student back to school.

Medications at School

Medications of any kind, including over the counter products for mild cold or allergies symptoms cannot be sent to school with students, placed in their lunch bag, or backpack. If your student requires a prescription or OTC product during the day, please call Nurse Anne to discuss and request a Medication Authorization form for keeping medicine at school.

Please call Nurse Anne, 425.408.4006 if you have questions or concerns.

Clothing Resources

Resources are available to Northshore families who need assistance.



[Clothes for Kids - English](#)

[Clothes for Kids - Spanish](#)

[Clothes for Kids - Russian](#)



Threads & Treads - Clothing bank located at Canyon Park Middle School. [Visit this link](#) for important shopping information.

More [Resources can be found here](#) on the District Resources page.



March Book Madness Final!

Check [our library website](#) for the winner announcement! (Spoiler: Books Always Win!)

April is Poetry Month!

Celebrate all kinds of poetry. April 28 is Poem in Your Pocket Day. Do you have a favorite poem? Teach it to your student, write it down, and let your student share it with others. Check out a book of poetry from our library (try call number 811) and learn a new favorite. Check out [our website for more poetry ideas!](#)

Need for More Volunteers

I have a wonderful crew of regular volunteers, but at times, illness or other commitments arise, and it's great to have a group of people who can help fill in. I would like to build my cadre of library volunteers! Please contact me if you might be interested in helping with book processing, in-school help with shelving.

Happening in the Library: Genrefiction of the Fiction Section

By genrefying our Fiction section, students will be able to locate books more easily by Fantasy, Historical Fiction, Animal Stories and more. The process will take a little time to complete, but will definitely be in place for our 2022-23 school year. If you have experience with graphic design and sign creation, contact me; I need to ask some questions/bounce some ideas off of someone with experience in that area.

Soda Float Challenge Due Date is April 22 - To be included in the celebration, the 4th and 5th graders MUST turn in their forms by the Friday after spring break (April 22). The Celebration will be held on April 29th. Many students turning in forms tell me that they have found a BBE (Best Book Ever) in their reading for the Soda Float Challenge. A librarian's dream!

Asia "Gateways"

3rd- 5th graders have been exploring East Asia (specifically Korea and Japan) with me in the library through a group of picture books set in various locations in Korea and Japan. Using a Google Earth tour, students are becoming familiar with the geography of the area, and learning a bit about the modern history of these places, and making connections to their own experiences and background knowledge. See your student's Schoology Library Course for more information.

Looking for a book? Want to check what is out or possibly overdue? Go to [Destiny Discover](#) (Library Catalog) via Clever. Did you know that our library has an [Amazon wishlist](#)? Why not donate a book to our library on a special birthday!?

Happy Reading!

Ginny Allemann

Technology Update

STS - Amy Smith
School Technology Specialist

Quarantine Learning Supports

If your child is in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade, they should be bringing their device to and from school each day. Your child should know how to sign into their device. If they normally use a badge (QR code), that can be found on the ParentVUE app. Each badge is student-specific. Within Clever, there is a tile under Arrowhead Links called Quarantine Learning Supports. Click on this tile and navigate to the South Region.

If your child is in Kindergarten or 1st grade, their iPad is at school full time. Your child may take their iPad home to access online materials. When making arrangements to pick up materials from school, please let their teacher or the office staff know that you will also need their iPad. We need to confirm that all necessary forms have been signed. We also need to have time to gather the iPad, charger and hardcopy directions.

Student Tech Support

If your child needs tech support while in quarantine or during (potential) remote learning, please enter a tech ticket at go.nsd.org/studenttechhelp. The ticket will be routed to the appropriate person to help solve the problem. Please allow 24 hours for a response.

Counselor's Corner

Jerry Abraham
jabraham@nsd.org
425.408.4076

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Kelso's Choice program is going well at school. Kelso's Choice effectively teaches young children peace-making skills. It is a proven resource to increase confidence, reduce tattling and is a preliminary tool to prevent bullying.

Unlike some programs which tout peer mediators who are trained to intervene as conflict managers, *Kelso's Choice* assumes that all young people are capable of becoming peacemakers. *Kelso's Choice* empowers children to solve problems on their own with the guidance and support of trusted adults.

More information and how to support your children at home with Kelso's Choice, can be found below.

[Kelso's Choice Parent Letter](#)

Please call or email me with any questions or concerns.

Coaches' Corner

Coach Jon Byers jbyers@nsd.org
Coach Fernell Miller fmiller@nsd.org
Coach Scott Barstow sbarstow@nsd.org
Coach Jerry Abraham jabraham@nsd.org

Track and Field has begun and it's not too late to join the team!

- **Register** Online [HERE](#) by Friday, April 29th. Fee is **\$35**. Those who **qualify for free-and-reduced-price lunch** may participate for **free (\$0.00)**.
- [Free and Reduced Price Meal Application and School Fee Waiver](#)
- Each athlete needs to have an [emergency card](#) turned in and attended 6 practices before they may participate in a meet.

The Team: All students in grades 3-5 are encouraged to join Arrowhead's Track team. Our goal is to introduce students to Track and Field events while providing individual instruction to develop their skills. Teamwork, sportsmanship and Leadership are always emphasized.

Practices: Practices are held on the Track **during lunch recess** on **Mondays and Tuesdays**. Please check in with the coaches at the beginning of each practice for instructions and safety.

Uniforms: Each member will be issued a team jersey to wear on track **MEET DAYS ONLY**. Please **wash and return them at the end of the season**. Students are responsible for providing their own shorts and shoes. (**Cleats & spikes are not allowed.**)

Transportation: Arrangements are the responsibility of the student and their parents before each meet. See a coach if you need support or assistance with transportation.

Events: Athletes may choose to participate in **ONE** field event and **ONE** running event, **plus** the 4x200 relay. Please let me know if your student cannot attend the meet.

Students must be present at school on meet days in order to participate in the meet.

Meets: are held once per week on **Tuesdays** or **Thursdays** at **5:00pm** and run until about 6:00pm. Athletes may "check out" and leave the meet when they have finished their last event.

Home Meet: Arrowhead will be **hosting** on **May 10th**, at **Kenmore Middle School**. We are always in need of parent volunteers. Please email me if you would like to **help out** at our home meet **and/or** at the Junior Olympics Track meet at Bothell High School on **Thursday, May 26th** at **5:30PM**.

GO HAWKS!!

Coach Barstow and Coach Abraham
sbarstow@nsd.org jabraham@nsd.org

Track and Field skills and events will also be taught in PE during Track season.

Click on the [Arrowhead PE Schedule](#) and find your PE days.

Remember to wear your activewear shoes on PE days.

PTA Corner

ptaarrowhead.org

2022-23 Elections

2022-23 elections will be held at the May 17th general membership meeting. Are you interested in an elected position? (President, VP, Secretary or Treasurer) We are especially in need of a Secretary and Treasurer, as these officers are at the end of their 2 year term limit. Just thinking about it and need more information? We are happy to tell you more about what is required. Email Amanda at vp@ptaarrowhead.org.

Spring PTA Events

Teacher Appreciation Week: May 2-6

Let's make sure we show our teachers LOVE!

Teacher Appreciation Planning Meeting Zoom: April 19, 8:00pm

Meeting link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87057550420?pwd=WnpiaE5ueXZuV1V4dDhBbXJOckFYdz09>

Meeting ID: 870 5755 0420

Passcode: Teachers!

If you cannot make the meeting but still want to help, please reach out to Amy at president@ptaarrowhead.org to join the committee organizing activities for this week.

General Membership Meeting Zoom: May 17, 7:00pm

Meeting link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87150459012?pwd=Zzl2RWxhbEZvSm1xa1NGdXRCQmdPd09>

Meeting ID: 871 5045 9012

Passcode: HawksRock!

Agenda will include elections, 2022-23 draft budget, 2022 PTA awards, and event prep/updates. See you then!

Art Night and Auction: May 26th

This event is a celebration of art at Arrowhead! Student art will be on display and one collaborative piece of art per classroom will be put up for auction. These projects are really special and it's a really fun night. Reach out to Sumaya at artnight@ptaarrowhead if you can volunteer to set up and/or help during the event.

Arrowhead Carnival: June 10th

The Arrowhead Carnival Is Back! After three long years we are very excited to bring back all your favorites on Friday night, June 10th!

Cake Walk! High Stryker! Face Painting! Pony Rides! Hair Paint! Food Trucks! Games and Prizes!

Just as in years past, this is an all-hands-on-deck event so look out for volunteer opportunities. If you'd like to join the Carnival Committee reach out Tess at goldentess@gmail.com.

PTA Hot Links:

Online Program Options: <https://www.ptaarrowhead.org/activities/>

PTA chairs and open positions: <https://www.ptaarrowhead.org/officerschairs/>

SEC program summaries: <https://www.ptaarrowhead.org/sec/>

Highlights newsletter: Want to receive our newsletter? Sign up via our website [here](#). Current distribution is 2-3 times per month.

Not a member, yet? Visit our webpage to join: ptaarrowhead.org

HiCap Update

hicap@nsd.org

Please let Mrs. Heidi Smith know if your student is not returning to Arrowhead due to qualifying for services at another school, hsmith@nsd.org or 425.408.4003.

If you have not already given permission for your student to test, please visit this form to **[Give Permission to Participate](#)**.

For additional information about our eligibility process, please visit the [Highly Capable Services](#) page on the nsd.org website.

Thank you,
Accelerated Models and Programs Department



INCLUSION: Spread the Word!!!

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all of our incredible volunteers who have helped our students grow and enriched our classrooms in so many ways this year. We love you.

Art Docent Volunteers

We are thrilled to have Art Docents back in our classrooms teaching our students the principles of art and encouraging their creativity with wonderful projects!

Library Weekly Volunteers

Our amazing Library volunteers keep the Library humming, checking books in and out, and helping students find their just right book.

Field Trip Chaperones

Field Trips would not be possible without the time and patience of our wonderful field trip chaperones.

WATCH D.O.G.S.

Thank you for sharing your time and providing a positive and safe environment for our students.

We are so grateful to PTA and this amazing community for their continued generosity, partnership, and support lifting us all!

District News

www.nsd.org

National Poetry Month

April is National Poetry Month! In honor of this designation, the District hosted our annual spoken word event April 7. If you weren't able to join us for the premiere, it is already available for the community to enjoy at www.nsd.org/northshorespeaks.

Superintendent Reid states, "We have 29 students from kindergarten through high school seniors participating, and they represent many of our schools. It truly is a remarkable opportunity to sit back and enjoy the creativity of our students. Each year, I am moved by their performances. We did interview two of the student performers, Phebe Emmanuel from Bothell High and Olivia Owyang from Frank Love Elementary, on this morning's [Northshore News](#). They both talked about what inspired them to share their message with our community, and I think you will find their responses inspiring as well".

District Closures and Delays Information

[Northshore School District Closures and Delays](#)

Arrowhead Hawks Soar by being Safe, Kind, and Responsible



Arrowhead Elementary
6725 NE Arrowhead Drive
Kenmore, WA 98028

Office: 425.408.4000
Attendance: ahattendance@nsd.org
Website: arrowhead.nsd.org

