Upcoming Events

June 7
The Rabbit Hole
The Singularity Theater
STEM K-8
6:30pm

June 8
The Rabbit Hole
The Singularity Theater
STEM K-8
6:30pm

Glee Struck
STEM K-8 Cafeteria
7:30pm

June 9
The Rabbit Hole
The Singularity Theater
STEM K-8
6:30pm

June 17
Field Day
STEM K-8
More info. and volunteer opportunities from Ms. Gray soon.

June 23
All School Field Trip
Lincoln Park

June 24
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Spirit Wear Day
1-hour early dismissal
2:40pm
STEM K-8
Pick your Owls up at 2:40pm.

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A Note from Principal Ben Ostrom

Dear Louisa Boren STEM K-8 Families:

Much is happening to get ready for summer and fall as we keep the pedal down for a strong finish. At last Thursday’s Seattle Public Schools’ district-wide science fair at the Museum of Flight, four STEM K-8 6th grade individuals/teams claimed top prizes. Nyjel Sebastian won Most Original Engineering Design (Urine-Ash Fertilizer). Eva Herdener took Most Likely to be Patented (Lawn Mower Carbon Catcher). Evee Kas and Nita Han won Best Environmental Field Study (Long Fellow Creek Study). Carmen Olsen and Erin Hunt earned the Grade 6 overall Science Grand Prize (Hurricane Study on Architectural Designs). Raeya Logue also participated. Congratulations to the winners, all of our 6th grade students for their amazing science and engineering work, and Mr. Parsley and Mr. Des.

This week Mr. Gluck’s class’ PBL production The Rabbit Hole will be playing on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday night starting at 6:30pm. Heroic efforts have gone into transforming the girl’s locker room into a performance studio. Students from many other classes are also participating. Tickets are SOLD OUT but more performances may be added. Check www.visitmyplanet.space on Monday evening for information on additional show(s).

Waitlist management has been particularly complex for Option schools this year. State class size reduction efforts reduced the number of available seats in grades K-3. The May 31 end date for waitlists left a number of siblings waiting to get in to STEM. Families who are not returning to STEM and not attending another SPS school should let STEM and SPS know as soon as possible. Families may either email admissions@seattleschools.org (cc: chettrick@seattleschools.org) or utilize the linked Not Attending 2016-17 School Year Form. The student’s identification number is required to complete this process. Because waitlist data is maintained until mid-August, some siblings who were on waitlists may still make it in.

Smarter Balanced Assessment scores for 3rd – 6th graders are being processed more quickly this year. It is likely they will be included for most students in their final report card.

Sincerely,
Benjamin Ostrom
Louisa Boren STEM K-8 Principal
Save the Date!

September 7
Back to School
Welcome back for the 2016-17 school year!

September 9
BACK TO SCHOOL BASH!
More details to come

Full SPS 2016-17 Calendar here.

End of Year Library Reminder

Dear STEM Families,

All library materials were due at 9:30am on Wednesday, June 1. Please be responsible library users and return your late library materials as soon as possible. As of 3:15pm on Friday, June 3, we currently have $1,482 in outstanding STEM student books.

Students with overdue materials will have the items converted into a library fine for the cost of replacing the materials. All overdue books, magazines, etc... must have their fines paid in full by Friday, June 17 in order for students to participate in Field Day (we want all students to participate in Field Day, some students just need this additional incentive to return their materials or pay their fines.) We can accept checks or exact cash for library fines. By law, we are not allowed to keep money in the library for making change, as all money must be turned in to the office as soon as we receive it.

Please Note: Library Fines that are left unpaid follow the students throughout their years in Seattle Public Schools.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me.
Mary E. Bannister, Louisa Boren STEM K-8 Teacher-Librarian mebannister@seattleschools.org
You are invited to attend:

**Glee Struck**

A musical dance performance

**Thursday, June 9 at 7:30pm in the Cafeteria**

No tickets required

- Featuring STEM cast members from 2nd - 5th grades
  - Spring Enrichment
- Music by Macklemore, David Bowie, Prince, Adele, Rachel Platten, and others.
- Choreography by Allison Standley and Chloe Miller.

This performance runs about 30 minutes and would make a great double feature for those attending the Thursday performance of *The Rabbit Hole*.

The Glee Struck team has been working diligently on this program for 8 weeks and the performance is worth a trip back to school as a solo feature, as well.
The Rabbit Hole
A Glam Rock Space Opera
Featuring the music of David Bowie, Queen, Prince, and more!!!

Three nights only!
June 7th - 8th - 9th
6:30pm @ The Singularity Theater
Louisa Boren K-8 STEM

Tickets only $5!!

Tickets on sale now at K-8 STEM.
More information at www.visitmyplanet.space

Written, designed, produced, and performed by Mr. Gluck's 5th grade class.
WHOO’s read a great book?

STEM Summer Reading

- Please encourage your students to participate in the STEM Summer Reading Bingo!
- The Bingo Forms will be distributed in Library Lessons the week of June 13 – 17
- Return the forms back to school in September for prize drawings for our Scholastic Book Fair!

Students have had library lessons in June reminding them of how to connect with SPS online reading resources for the summer. The best launch place is from the STEM library website page as it connects students to our online catalog for reading our e-books as well as the link for the SPS Online Student Resources.

The username is studentsp and the password is access.

TumbleBooks and PebbleGo are fun resources for literary and informational text for our primary students. Tumblebooks has books, videos, games and more. PebbleGo has informational text, pictures, videos in four topic areas: Animals, Biography, Science and Social Studies.

Students of all ages can enjoy the videos at Learn360, which also has episodes of Reading Rainbow.

Our online encyclopedias World Book Kids and World Book Student are perfect for researching topics of personal interest.

For those traveling or wanting to learn about other cultures try CultureGrams.

And finally, Mrs. B. would encourage all students in grades 2+ to build their keyboarding speed and Accuracy with Typing Agent.