Upcoming Events

November 16 - 20
All for Books Campaign
Bring in your coins so teachers can build their classroom libraries during the Book Fair Blizzard.

November 19
Picture Retakes
STEM K-8

November 20
Movie Night – Inside Out
7:00pm
$3 per person
$10 per family
STEM K-8

November 23 - 25
No School
Parent / Teacher Conferences
STEM K-8

November 26 - 27
No School
Thanksgiving Break

November 28
Online Book Fair Opens
Book Fair

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A Note from Principal Ben Ostrom

Dear Louisa Boren STEM K-8 Families:

Wow! Thanks to everyone who participated in the Direct Give! **STEM K-8 PTA achieved its $35,000 goal!** This translates directly into experiences your children will have reading books, going on field trips, conducting experiments, making models, and much much more. Our partnership with families shows up in classrooms. Don’t miss All for Books - details are in today’s Owl Post. All donated change goes to support building classroom libraries.

STEM K-8 is closed for parent / teacher conferences November 23-25. If you aren’t signed up for a conference slot, please contact your child’s teacher.

Sincerely,
Benjamin Ostrom
Louisa Boren STEM K-8 Principal

We Did It!

$35,138

After an amazing flurry of donations last week – we are pleased to announce that we made our goal of $35,000 (in fact, we even exceeded it a bit!). Thank you so much to everyone who donated to Direct Give 2015. **All in for STEM!**
Upcoming Events (continued)

December 3 & 4
Book Fair Blizzard
5:30pm-8:00pm (Thurs.)
8:30am-10:00am (Fri.)
STEM K-8
3rd annual blizzard of books!
Look out for famous mouse reporter Geronimo Stilton.

TODAY is the start of our week-long All for Books campaign. We’re raising money so teachers can build their classroom libraries during our Book Fair Blizzard (December 3rd & 4th). The money we raise also helps readers beyond our school. Every year, Scholastic matches the All for Books money raised nationwide with a donation of up to one million books to the Kids in Need Foundation and Kids in Distressed Situations, Inc.

Monday November 16th - Penny Day
Tuesday November 17th - Nickel Day
Wednesday November 18th - Dime Day
Thursday November 19th - Quarter Day
Friday November 20th - Dollar Day (coins or bills)
(Of course, spare change will be accepted on any of the above days!)

Donation boxes in every classroom and the school office.

Thursday is Picture Retake Day
For students who missed picture day, or if you want a retake, Yuen Lui will be back at school on Thursday, Nov. 19. There’s no paperwork to fill out for retakes, just return the first set of photos and Yuen Lui will deliver the same size package of retakes. If your student missed picture day, you can use your original order form or call Yuen Lui (1-800-347-4687) to place an order.

Get Your Chinook Books Here!
Order your Chinook Books (print or app) online here.
Or drop a hard copy order form off in the school office (you should have received one in “Kid Mail” last week).
Book – $22
App – $15
Book and App - $30
Upcoming Events (continued)

January 4
Back to School!
STEM K-8

January 7
PTA Meeting
6:30pm-8:00pm
Boren Library

January 13
2-hour early dismissal
1:40pm
STEM K-8
Pick your Owls up at 1:40pm.

January 14
Winter PBL Display
TBA
STEM K-8

January 18
No School
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February
Jump Rope for Heart

February 4
PTA Meeting
6:30pm-8:00pm
Boren Library

February 15
No School
Presidents Day

February 16
No School
Mid-Winter Break
(one day only)

Check out the school calendar here.

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MOVIE NIGHT

A Fundraiser to Support Scholarships to Camp Islandwood for STEM Fourth Graders

Presented
INSIDE OUT

Friday, November 20th beginning at 7pm
In the Louisa Boren K-8 STEM Gymnasium
Ticket Prices: $3 per person / $10 per family

Available for purchase:

⭐ ROOT BEER FLOATS - LOVE IT!
⭐ POPCORN - OF COURSE!
⭐ BAKE SALE - YUM!
⭐ TONS OF FUN!

Please Note: Movie Night is not a drop-off event. Kids must be supervised by parents/guardians.

4th Grade Parents Strongly Encouraged to Volunteer at Movie Night!

Please click on the SignUpGenius link below to volunteer:
Stay Connected

PTA Website – all things PTA (become a member, volunteer, shop and earn, how YOU can be involved).

STEM K-8 school website – our SPS school website (curriculum, staff details and more).

STEM K-8 Facebook

STEM PTA Twitter

Principal Ostrom’s Twitter

Principal Ostrom’s Blog

Mrs. B.’s Library Page

Counselor’s Corner
The holidays can be a very difficult time of year when remembering the loss of a loved one. Providence Hospice of Seattle’s Grief Support Services is holding a Grief and the Holidays event, which is scheduled for Saturday, November 21st at 2pm. This is a candle lighting remembrance service that will include opportunities for support and community at a time of year that can often be challenging. Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one in the past 15 months is welcome to attend this event.

The City of Seattle wonderfully provides Thanksgiving food and meals for people and families in need. Please see the STEM PTA website for more information on this amazing support and opportunity during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Take care of yourself and someone who needs you this holiday season.

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Author Kelly Milner Halls to Visit STEM

Mrs. B. is pleased to announce that children’s non-fiction author Kelly Milner Halls will be visiting STEM on December 18.

Kelly will be reading some of her books to the kids and will tell them all about her research into weird and wonderful topics.

Kelly is the author of several books, including Animal Rescues, Life During the Civil War, Saving the Baghdad Zoo, Alien Investigation and In Search of Sasquatch.

Kelly’s visit is funded by the Louisa Boren STEM K-8 PTA.
All purchases benefit the STEM K-8 Library

Bring the Whole Family!

Thursday, December 3rd 5:30pm - 8pm

Friday, December 4th 8:30am - 10am

Book Fair is also online
(Nov. 28th through Dec. 6th)

Here you'll find a bigger selection of books (from preschool to adult). You can also send wish-lists and e-cards to family and friends.

Book Fairs App Makes Finding the Right Book a Snap!
The Scholastic Book Fairs app is free and available for both iPhone and Android. With any scan of a book cover or barcode these details are displayed:

- Reading levels (AR, Lexile, DRA and Guided Reading)
- Appropriate age and grade
- Book summary
- Price
- Videos and podcasts
- Awards
- eBooks
- Reading Counts quiz indicated

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