Upcoming Events

March 14
Pi Night!
6:00pm – 8:00pm
Pi-zza, Pi Walk, and more!
Organized by 1st Grade families and supported by Middle School Student Council. 
STEM K-8 Cafeteria

Be Smart – A Conversation on Preventing Gun Violence
7:00pm
Adults only. Complimentary childcare provided by volunteers.
STEM K-8 Library

March 20
Dine Out for STEM K-8 & Concord Elementary
5:00pm – 8:00pm
Li’l Woody’s/CTO/Beer Star
9807 16th Ave SW

March 21
PTA Meeting
6:30pm – 8:00pm
Complimentary childcare provided by the PTA.
STEM Library

March 30
Spirit Wear Day
STEM K-8

April 2 - 5
5th Grade Islandwood Field Trip
https://islandwood.org/
Bainbridge Island

April 9 - 13
Spring Break
No School

A Note from Principal Ben Ostrom

The emergence of some weekend sunshine didn’t slow down a busy schedule at STEM K-8. Join the annual Pi Night celebration on Wednesday, March 14 from 6:00-8:00pm in the Cafeteria. There will be mathematical activities and a pie walk. Pi Night is organized by 1st grade parents and supported by the Middle School Student Council and the PTA. There are also volunteers available to entertain children for those wanting to attend the Conversation about Gun Violence Prevention scheduled to begin at 7:00pm in the library.

Some families and students have been asking if STEM K-8 will participate in the National School Walkout scheduled for 10:00am on Wednesday, March 14. SPS officially supports student-led activism but does not endorse disruptions to the instructional day. The School Board has officially endorsed the March for Our Lives Seattle rally and walk at 10:00am on Saturday, March 24, which does not interfere with school. The School Board’s letter and resolution are available at this link. More information about the student-led March 24 event is also linked here.

STEM K-8 does have some students planning on participating in the national walkout on March 14. STEM K-8 will follow the SPS student protest policy expectations below:

- Student protests are not sanctioned by the district – but are considered legal and supported by the Constitution; students have the right to peacefully protest.
- The district supports students’ rights to express their views.
- Students should understand that with this right there are also consequences; and the district considers their absence from class unexcused.
- Staff cannot participate in the demonstration, but will observe the protest in order to monitor for safety.
- Teachers will support learning activities for students who choose to stay in class.

I want to remind families again that a great way to get involved in school is to join a hiring committee. Choosing new staff are the most important decisions we make. This year’s SPS multi-phase hiring process will be happening earlier—STEM K-8 will be operating hiring committees at the end of March/beginning of April. Check upcoming Owl Posts for timelines. To participate on a Seattle school hiring committee you have to complete one hiring committee training (it’s good for life). The next one is Tuesday, March 20, from 4-5 pm at the John Stanford Center. Sign up by emailing date attending, full name, email address and contact phone number to SEA@WashingtonEA.org.

Ben Ostrom
Principal
Louisa Boren STEM K-8
April 23
Dine Out at Proletariat Pizza
Time TBA
For the Great Ice Age Floods 8th Grade Tour scholarship fund.
9622 16th Ave SW

Check out the school calendar here.

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Ever Wonder...

16 of these iPads are from your original DAY ONE - YEAR ONE purchase and 10 are from last summer’s purchase!

These software developers are Kindergarten computer programmers!

THANK YOU for making this adventure possible!

Cheers!

Julie Schmick
STEM K-8 Technology Teacher
Pi Night

Wednesday, March 14th, 2018
6-8 p.m.
Boren K-8 STEM Cafeteria

Pizza!!!
Pi-tivities!
Pie Walk!!!

We will have two rounds of pizza

Volunteers will be available to entertain children if you would like to attend the Moms Demand Action presentation at 7 p.m. in the library
Join us for a Conversation on Preventing Gun Violence

This Wednesday, March 14 at 7:00 pm Be Smart for Kids will present an adults-only conversation at STEM K-8 about gun violence prevention and keeping kids safe. This presentation will be part of our Pi Night activities. Complimentary childcare will be provided by volunteers.
Enrichment Survey

Don’t forget to complete the following survey about your satisfaction with the STEM K-8 enrichment program. This survey can be taken even if you don’t have a student who is taking enrichment classes, and we encourage you to do so. The survey should take less than 5 minutes to complete, and we very much appreciate you helping us improve the STEM K-8 enrichment program for the 2018-2019 school year.

Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VC3HNR2

Save the Date!

Dine Out at Proletariat Pizza
Benefitting The Great Ice Age Floods 8th Grade Tour scholarship fund.
Monday April 23. Time TBA.
Proletariat Pizza
9622 16th Ave. SW