



HIGHLAND TERRACE ELEMENTARY

Orca Spout Out Newsletter

Dear Highland Terrace Families,

I can't believe we are at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. We have missed you and being together as a community. Families, we are so grateful for all you do each day for our school, staff, and community. Our staff appreciates the importance of the family partnership in supporting our students. We would like to acknowledge how challenging this period has been students and families.

Below are some school-wide connections and lessons for the week and some information about staff changes. This will be the last Orca Newsletter as we head into the summer. As we learn more about what next year will look like, we will make sure to communicate with all families. On Friday, I will send one last email to students and families. It will be a closing video for students and an official promotion to the next grade.

Staff Moving on From Highland Terrace: This year we have the following staff moving on to different opportunities. To our colleagues moving on, we bid you a warm farewell and best wishes for continued success on your path forward. We celebrate your hard work and dedication to our Highland Terrace community. Thank you for your contributions and service to generations of learners and families. You will be missed.

- *Carrie Wolf, 1st Grade Teacher*
- *Paige Phillips, 4th Grade Teacher*
- *Avery Slinning, 6th Grade Teacher*
- *Craig Morley, 6th Grade Teacher*
- *Chris Turney, 6th Grade Teacher*
- *Jenlee Yin, 6th Grade Walk to Math Teacher*
- *Sondra Chamberlain, Lunchroom Supervisor*
- *Bethani Wikene, Paraeducator*
- *Meagan Moffat, Paraeducator*
- *Ginger Tuilevuka, Paraeducator*
- *Wes Irwin, Paraeducator*
- *Wayne Hoskins, Dean*

In August, we will provide information about teachers at each grade level and other staff information. Mr. Hoskins has the wonderful opportunity to transition to the Dean of Students at Shorewood High School. Amy Gourde (North City Kindergarten Program Dean) will be coming to Highland Terrace to serve in the Dean role.

Community Corner: In an ongoing effort to maintain connections and build relationships we are including a "Community Corner" to our newsletter so that staff may share personalized messages and other content with families. Our team believes it is important to acknowledge Black Lives Matter in our final Community Corner message. Our goal through this communication is to demonstrate our solidarity and allyship with the Black community. You can find it here [Community Corner 6.16.2020](#)

Free Webinar: *Parenting in Support of Black Lives: How to Build a Just Future for Kids* - Conversations with Common Sense is offering a webinar featuring Dr. Ibram X. Kendi, leading scholar on race in America in conversation with Julie Lythcott-Haims, *New York Times* bestselling author and activist, moderated by child psychologist Dr. Allison Briscoe-Smith. Register at [Conversation with Common Sense](#)

Weekly Zoom Connections with Mr. Hoskins and Ms. Osborn: Mr. Hoskins and Ms. Osborn want to see and hear from you! Do you need a little encouragement to help you get through the day? Would you like a chance to share, listen, laugh and play games together? Join Mr. Hoskins and Ms. Osborn on Wednesday mornings!

- **When:** Wednesday mornings
- **Who:** Any and all HT students!
 - K-1: 9-9:20am
 - 2-3: 9:20-9:40
 - 4-6: 9:4-10am
- **Why:** To give everyone a chance to talk, listen and have fun together!
- **How:**
- **Zoom:** <https://zoom.us/j/97536670223?pwd=L3l2OGVlc3ZUUnQ0NTk2aEU1WEMydz09>
- **Meeting ID:** 975 3667 0223
- **Password:** 853370

Physical Health: *Message from Mr. Davies*

Hello HT Students! Field Day is a fun tradition for students as the school year comes to an end in June. The elementary PE teachers created a virtual Field Day for all the elementary students in the Shoreline School District. Click on the link below to participate in the field day events. When you get to the web page, click on the Bitmoji PE teacher or "challenge" to view the Field Day station. My Field Day station is "Fry Pan Fun!" Have a great Field Day and a fantastic summer! [Link to Virtual Field Day](#)

Art Lesson from Mr. Matt: Mr. Matt wanted to give Orcas one more art project with local author/illustrator, Travis Talburt. The video, printable template links, links to his book, and website are all included below.

- **Video Lesson with Mr. Matt and Travis Talburt:** [Make Your Mark Artist-in-Residence: Mr Matt \(Highland Terrace\)](#)
- **Travis's books and website:** <https://breadandbarleybooks.weebly.com/>

- [Dragon Template](#)
- [Pilot Dragon Template](#)
- [Postcard Template](#)

Summer Learning Resources: Below is some information we are learning from the district about summer access to online resources. We will continue to share as more information is provided.

- ClassLink access will continue during the summer. The mix of applications may change depending on what the vendors continue to make available to us for free.
- Classes in Seesaw and Google Classroom will be available through the end of July. Teachers will not be monitoring those systems and will not be providing lessons beyond the last week of school in June.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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