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Calendar

- 8/27: **Campus Volunteer Work Party**
12 - 4PM at Harbor School
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- 8/29: Carpe Diem's **Back-to-School Parent Meeting**
7PM at Carpe Diem
(for K-3 parents)
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- 8/30: Upper Elementary **Back-to-School Parent Meeting**
7PM at Harbor School
(for grades 4 & 5 parents)
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- 8/31: Middle School **Back-to-School Parent Meeting**
7PM at Harbor School
(for grades 6, 7 & 8 parents)
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- 9/05: **Drop-In Open House**
12-3PM at Carpe Diem and Harbor School
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- 9/06: **First Day of School**
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- 9/08: **Community Building Afternoon, 3-4PM** at Harbor School for all K-8 families!
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- 9/11: **Camp Niwana departure**
Grades 4-8
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- 9/15: **Camp Niwana return**
Grades 4-8

PLEASE NOTE:

Our annual Back-to-School Potluck Picnic will be held on Friday, Sept. 8, instead of Tuesday.

This year's event is a **ALL SCHOOL COMMUNITY ASSEMBLY & POTLUCK.**
Assembly will begin at 2:30 PM

Welcome New Faculty

MS Math Teacher Ethan Cudaback



I am happy to announce that **Ethan Cudaback** will be the new Harbor School Middle School math teacher.

Ethan has a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from the University of Washington and a Masters in Teaching Secondary Mathematics (grades 5-12) from Western Governors University. Since September 2013, Ethan has taught Algebra I, Algebra II, Trigonometry, Pre-calculus, Math Analysis, and AP Computer Science in the math department at Holy Names in Seattle.

In addition to his math teaching experience, Ethan has also taught coding to middle school students, as well as beginning to advanced drumming, and beginning music theory, piano, and bass guitar to students of all ages. He is an accomplished carpenter and a self-described, one-time 'ski bum'. Together with his wife and two kids, Ethan has lived on Vashon for just over a year.

I am confident that Ethan's math training, experience and deep knowledge of where middle school math students are headed, will add great value to Harbor School. He is a creative and critical thinker. He is highly personable and has an exceptional ability to inspire students. Most importantly, he has already begun the task of learning about our school. I am very excited to begin working with him and I hope you will join with me in welcoming him to our school. - Mark McGough, *Head of School*

PE Teacher Nicky Wilks

I am also happy to announce that **Nicky Wilks** will be joining us in a part time capacity this year teaching PE to our Harbor School students and, where possible, assisting with the Life Skills program at other times in the year. Many of you will know Nicky from his work with the Vashon Wilderness Program and more recently as founder and executive director of Journeymen Institute, a Vashon based nonprofit offering nature-based rites of passage and long-term mentorship opportunities for youth in the Puget Sound region. Nicky worked with us for a short time last year, assisting Summer Peet '06 with some of the Life Skills classes that she taught.

I am excited to have Nicky join us in a more structured way. If you have ever met him, you will know that he has a great energy for working with youth of all ages and a great capacity for inspiring and motivating them. He is an exciting addition to our faculty for the new school year and I am sure his presence and commitment will further enhance the educational experience for your children at Harbor School. - Mark



ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Scenes from Camp Niwana 2016



On Camp Niwana

Camp Niwana is just around the corner and we are hoping once again for beautiful weather to go along with the hard work, team building and general getting-to-know-you activities that our students engage in. Camp Niwana will occur the first full week of school, September 11-15, for our students in grades 4 through 8.

Packing lists and more information about our 17/18 camp experience will be distributed in the **Cornerstone News** next week so please keep an eye out for that information.

Parents are encouraged to sign up to volunteer for a shift at Camp Niwana. We will have sign up posters at each of our Back-to-School Parent meetings the last week of August.

Please join us!

Campus Work Party

Sunday, August 27, 12-4PM

Please join us in getting the campus ready for the start of school! We'll be holding a Campus Work Party on **Sunday, August 27, from 12-4PM** at Harbor School to wash windows, scrub desks, make minor repairs and tidy up the classrooms. Refreshments will be provided and the entire family is welcome - *the more the merrier!*

Back-to-School Parent Meetings

Back-to-School Parent Meetings are almost upon us and I would like to take a moment to share our plan for these meetings.

Our Back-to-School Parent Meetings are an opportunity for us to come together and talk about our mission and values and how they impact our school, our policies and procedures. We will also share the school structure, the composition and responsibilities of our Board of Trustees and talk about recent changes as well as volunteer and giving opportunities.

These meetings are also an opportunity for you to join with other parents in your child's class, get to know them better, and ask any burning questions that you may have.

I look forward to seeing you all there!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL PARENT MEETING DATES

Carpe Diem

Parents in grades K-3

Tues, August 29 at 7PM
AT Carpe Diem

Upper Elementary

Parents in grades 4 & 5

Wed, August 30 at 7PM
AT Harbor School

Middle School

Parents in grades 6, 7 & 8

Thurs, August 31 at 7PM
AT Harbor School

2017-18 CALENDAR

SHADING KEY:

Holiday/Break/No School
Early Dismissal at Noon
Conferences
Voyagers Week/Class Trips/Camp
School Event
Open House

27 Harbor Campus Work Party 12-4
29 CD Parent Back to School 7pm
30 UE Parent Back to School 7pm
31 MS Parent Back to School 7pm

AUGUST '17

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4 Labor Day
5 Open Campus Drop-In (1-3 both schools)
6 First Day of School
8 All School Community Assembly and Potluck (3-4pm)
11-15 CAMP NIWANA
19 Ian Moore Concert 6:30pm
25 CD Parent Curriculum Night 6:30pm
26 UE Parent Curriculum Night 6:30pm
29 Early Dismissal at Noon

3 MS Curriculum Night 6:30pm
12 Elementary Parent Conferences (No School K-5)

13 No School - NWAIS Conference
20 Elementary Parent Conferences (No School K-5)

21 Open House Harbor Campus 12-2pm
23 Math Game Time at CD 4-5pm/Admissions Q&A 5pm. High School Preview Event 6:30pm
25 HOS 6th Gd. Parent Mtg. 6:30pm
26 Parent Trivia Night 7pm
27 Crafternoon CD 1-3pm
30 HOS Coffee Morning CD 9:05am
31 Poets Afternoon CD 1-3pm

OCTOBER '17

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HOS = Head of School
HS = Harbor School
CD = Carpe Diem
UE = Upper Elementary
MS = Middle School

NOVEMBER '17

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2 Dia De Los Muertos
3 HOS Coffee Morning HS 8:05am
Early Dismissal at Noon
5 Daylight Saving Time Ends
10 No School - Veterans Day
15 Open House Harbor Campus 6:30pm
20-21 Middle School Conferences (No School 6-8)
22-24 No School - Thanksgiving Break
28 HOS UE Parent Mtg. 6:30pm
29 HOS CD Parent Mtg. 6:30pm

8 Crafternoon CD 1-3pm
14 Winter Celebration CD (7-9pm)
15 Blu Breakfast at CD (9am) - Noon dismissal
15 Financial Aid Applications Due for Returning Students
18 No School (through January 1, 2018)

DECEMBER '17

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1 No School
2 First Day Back at School
10 Art Action Time at CD 4-5pm/Admissions Q&A 5pm
11 Re-Enrollment Contracts Sent
15 No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
17 HOS 7th Gd. Parent Mtg. 6:30pm
25 Re-Enrollment Contracts Due for Returning Students
30 HOS 8th Gd. Parent Mtg. 6:30pm

2 No School - Teacher In-Service
9 Crafternoon CD 1-3pm
13 Progress Reports Released
19-23 No School - Mid-Winter Break
27 HOS Coffee Morning HS 8:05am
28 HOS Coffee Morning CD 9:05am

FEBRUARY '18

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2 Auction Preview Party 7pm
9 No School - Teacher In-Service
11 Daylight Saving Time Begins
12-16 Voyagers Week (4-8)
19 Late Arrival at 10am (4-8)
24 Voyager Auction

All school conferences TBD

5 HOS Evening Meet (all welcome) 6:30pm
9-13 No School - Spring Break
18 8th Grade Forum
20 Special Friends and Grandparents Day - All school
27 Early Dismissal at Noon

APRIL '18

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9 Rising-Up Day (3rd & 5th grade)
18 Early Dismissal at Noon
28 No School - Memorial Day

4th through 8th grade Class Trips this month - date tbd

2017-18 CALENDAR

2 Mercado and Garden Potluck
 4-8 Assessment Week
 7 Spring Celebration and 3rd
 Grade Graduation Ceremony
 8 CD Last Day – Egg Drop and
 Family Potluck – Noon Dismissal
 13 Last Day of School (4-8)
 Early Dismissal at Noon
 8th Grade Graduation at Camp
 Burton – 6pm
 29 End Year Progress Reports
 Released

JUNE '18						
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JULY '18						
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4 Independence Day

Harbor School Launches New After School Program

For several years, parents have expressed interest in having an after school program to provide childcare for parents who work full-time. Families may also need periodic childcare when running errands or heading off-island for appointments. We heard your requests and are pleased to launch our new **After School Program** with current parent **Shannon Johns** as program coordinator.

If you are interested in utilizing the program, please read through the details below:

PROGRAM INFORMATION

- Monday through Friday, from 3:15PM - 5:45PM
- Program will be held on Harbor School's main campus in the Upper Elementary classroom
- On early dismissal days, childcare will begin at 12:15PM
- After School Program will not be available on holidays or teacher "in-service" days
- For students enrolled at Harbor School or Carpe Diem
- Carpe Diem students participating in the After School Program will be transported by a member of staff to the main campus. All Carpe Diem students will need a booster seat for transport
- A light snack will be provided during After School Program hours (*NOTE: students with food allergies/ sensitivities should bring a snack from home*)

TWO OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM

9-Month Plan - \$2,880 for the school year

If you are looking for daily childcare, this is the plan for you. Purchasing the 9-Month Plan ensures your child has a reserved space in our After School Program every day that school is in session (*including early dismissal days*). When you purchase the full plan, you can opt to pay the full amount of \$2,880 or schedule monthly autopayments in the amount of \$320.

20-Hour Punch Card - \$200

If you are in need of periodic childcare or only need occasional care, this is the plan for you. Purchase a 20-Hour Punch Card for \$200 and simply make a reservation 24-hours prior to the day you need childcare. We'll punch your card based on the number of hours your child is in care that day. This option is great for parents who have errands to run or appointments off-island.

To sign up for the 9-Month Plan or purchase a 20-Hour Punch Card, stop by Harbor School's main office or call **(206) 567-5955**. Once school begins in September, you can email your childcare reservations or details to Shannon at afterschool@harborschool.org.

