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## Alki PTA E-News

March 27th, 2023

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### Important Upcoming Dates

Friday, March 31st	Principal Coffee Chat @ Alki Elementary
Saturday, April 1st	Spring Enrichment Enrollment Opens
Tuesday, April 4th	Game Night & Dine-out @ Good Society
Thursday, April 6th	Movie Night & PTA Membership Meeting @ Alki Elementary
Monday, April 10th - Friday, April 14th	Spring Break NO SCHOOL

[Link to Seattle School Calendar](#)

### Coming Soon...

## Principal Coffee Chat THIS Friday Morning



You don't want to miss this! Principal Coffee Chat **THIS Friday, March 31st** in our Alki Cafeteria from 8:00-8:30 a.m.

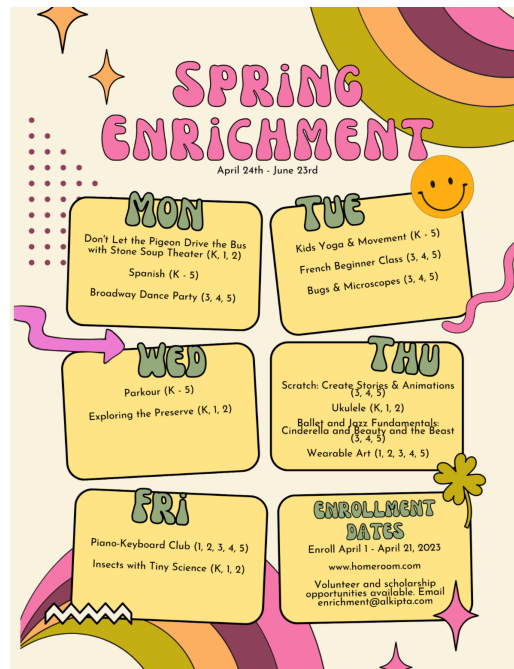
What's going to be covered?

- Learn more about the school budget and reductions in staffing
- The impact of those potential reductions on operations for next year
- Basics of school funding and site-based decisions that are made with any discretionary dollars received
- Open time to ask questions about budget or anything else that may be on your mind

Not able to make the coffee chat? There will be another opportunity to hear more about our budget at the April 6th PTA General Membership Meeting from 6-7pm in our Alki Library.

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## Spring Enrichment Classes - Enrollment Opens April 1st!



Announcing after-school Enrichment's Spring Session!

Enrollment Dates: **April 1 - 21**  
 Session Dates: **April 24 - June 23**

We're bringing back popular classes from previous sessions such as Spanish, coding, parkour, & yoga. We are excited to offer new activities such as ukulele, piano-keyboard, outdoor science, wearable art, and more.

Spring Session schedule & class descriptions are available to view [here](#).

Volunteer and scholarship opportunities available. Please email [enrichment@alkipta.com](mailto:enrichment@alkipta.com) for more information.

**Save the Date:**  
**April 6th - Alki Movie Night & PTA meeting**



Join us for movie night at Alki Elementary and stop by the drop-in style PTA membership meeting!

What: Secret Life of Pets (PG)  
 When: **Thursday, April 6th from 5:30pm - 7:30pm**  
 Where: Alki Elementary Cafeteria

We'll provide popcorn, water, and parent chaperones to watch the kiddos so you can drop by the library for the Alki PTA membership meeting (from 6-7pm). This membership meeting will be casual and a great opportunity for parents to connect with each other and be heard. We will also hear about next year's budget from Principal Skeffington.

There will even be a chance to win a raffle prize! Mark your calendars, you don't want to miss it!

**Game Night & Dine-out at Good Society**



DINE OUT: Join us for Family Game Night!

When: **Tuesday, April 4th** from 6-8pm  
 Where: The Good Society Brewery and Public House  
 2701 California Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98116

BYOG Bring your own games or try new ones from the Game Swap Table (bring games you no longer play and swap for a new game!)

Mention you are with Alki for any food and drink orders to count towards our year-round partnership with Good Society. This is not a drop off event and children must be accompanied by a parent / guardian.

### In Case You Missed It...



UPDATE: Say Goodbye to Alki Celebration & Auction is **POSTPONED**

In response to low ticket sales and lack of volunteers to support executing the actual event, the auction committee has made the decision to postpone the Say Goodbye to Alki Celebration & Auction.

Raising funds for the Alki Elementary Community remains top priority of this event; factors supporting these efforts include a sizeable audience to bid on hand-crafted and donated items and a team large enough to engage with local businesses, plan and execute an initiative of this caliber in a timely manner. Details on the new date for the Alki Celebration & Auction are forthcoming, stay tuned.

On behalf of the auction committee, we greatly appreciate those that have stepped up to support the event as volunteers, purchased tickets, and contributed in other meaningful ways. Thank you!

### Other Community Events

**WISE**  
wisecamps.org

**MARCH MADNESS**  
STEM Mini Camp

March 31st, 5-7:30PM  
Hazelwood Elementary

- Speed Math Competition -Win a trophy, medal or ribbon!
- Engineer your own cup and ball game!
- Use chemistry to make homemade bouncy balls!
- Build a straw rocket and compete in a fun tournament bracket!
- Release your inner artist with a March Madness Basketball project!
- Take a picture in the sports-themed photobooth!

**\$40, Dinner and Basketball cookies included!**

Register now at [www.wisecamps.com/minicamps](http://www.wisecamps.com/minicamps)

## West Seattle 5K is Back!



The West Seattle 5K is returning this year on **Sunday, May 21st** for the first time since 2019. The 12th running of the WS5K is presented by the West Seattle High School PTSA. Participants will enjoy a beautiful five-kilometer course along Alki Avenue SW. The course

begins at the Alki Bath House and proceeds east along Alki Avenue SW. At Anchor Park, runners return to the starting point. Register now: <https://westseattle5k.com/registration/>

All profits raised from the West Seattle 5K will provide funding for West Seattle High School to provide classroom tools, books, supplies, and much more to its students and teachers. For more information, visit their website [here](#).

## Way to Go!



Congratulations to our 2022-2023 Alki Global Reading Challenge Team (Read-venge) who fought hard and kept their heads held high at the semifinals last week!

Ms. Shipe shared that they all had a blast together on Friday and she is really excited to do it all over again next year. The kids who participated are Ben W, Logan, Alexa, John B, Maddy M, Madi A, and MJ!

## Parents, we need you!

### Join the Alki PTA Board!

Alki PTA is looking for new parents to join the 2023-2024 PTA Board! The last 3 years has been challenging for our PTA leaders, navigating a pandemic, budget shortfalls, unable to hold our long-standing in-person events. This year has been a slow rebuild back to a "new normal."

Alki PTA's mission has always been "to support an engaged community that partners with our school to advocate for every child" and we know that there are those out there who believe in that as much as we do and we need you!



**Open roles include: President, Vice President, Advocacy Chair, Fundraising Chair and Communications Chair.** We also have smaller roles to fill to help plan events and programs like staff appreciation, the musical, movie nights, grade level celebrations and events we haven't even thought of yet! For a description of roles and responsibilities please reach out to [info@alkipta.com](mailto:info@alkipta.com) - we'd love to hear from you!

## Submit Budget Requests by April 1st!



The Alki PTA Budget Committee is commencing conversations and planning for the 2023-2024 school year. If you would like to submit a request for activities, programs, supplies, etc. for the PTA to fund during the school year, please complete the [Budget Request Form](#) by April 1 so we can consider it in budget planning.

Email the completed form to [treasurer@alkipta.com](mailto:treasurer@alkipta.com). The proposed budget will be presented at a PTA membership meeting in May and voted on at the June PTA Membership meeting.

## Staff Appreciation Week

Staff appreciation week is May 8-12. If you would like to volunteer with the staff appreciation committee to make that week extra special and fun please email [face@alkipta.com](mailto:face@alkipta.com) for more information. Planning begins now! All are welcome.



## Future Volunteer Opportunity



Alki will need bushels of helpers for our quickly approaching departure from campus. Major needs will include **sorting** and **boxing** materials (for one or several hours) and doing **recycling runs** (perfect for those with larger vehicles, **Fridays** being set run days). Any and all help is greatly appreciated! More info to follow, but count on this beginning around spring break (this April).

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## We Need Your Photos!

Have fun pictures of Alki students at school, on vacation, practicing an instrument or a sport or anything you would like to be a part of the yearbook?

Please send them to [yearbook@alkipta.com](mailto:yearbook@alkipta.com)



## Easy Ways to Help Alki PTA!

[Box Tops for Education](#)

[Tru Earth](#)

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## Spiritwear Shop

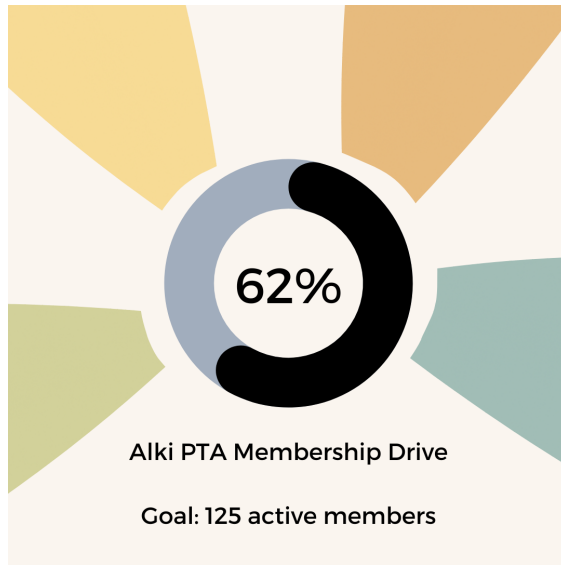


Our online spiritwear shop is open, we have a variety of items available to show your school spirit!

[Shop Here!](#)

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## Alki PTA Membership Drive



Help us reach our goal this year of 125 PTA members and sign up today!

New School Year means your PTA membership needs to be renewed! We encourage new and returning members to renew your PTA Membership [HERE](#)

**WHY JOIN THE PTA?** The number one reason to join the Parent Teacher Association is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help your school. But there are many more PTA advantages from [pta.org](http://pta.org):

- **Get Connected** There's no better way to know what's happening in your school.
- **Speak Up** PTA can be a way for you to more effectively suggest change at your child's school and vote at membership meetings.
- **Discover Great Resources:** The PTA offers a variety of programs designed for parents as well as students.
- **Witness Improvement** By getting involved at your child's school you'll be part of the solution, helping make positive changes. Local PTAs play an important role by supporting building improvements through advocacy and play an important role in fundraising for curriculum-based programs and social events.
- **Be a Role Model** By becoming a PTA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.
- **Enjoy Substantial Benefits** Individuals and local units can take advantage of a host of benefits from PTA membership including discounts and offers from member benefits providers and sponsors, magazine subscriptions, leadership training, e-newsletters and much more.
- **Tap into a Network** PTA functions are opportunities to meet other parents and teachers, building rapport and discussing issues that are on your mind. You can share ideas, concerns, and experiences.
- **Watch Yourself Grow** By volunteering with your PTA, you put your skills and hobbies to use for a noble cause—your child and all children in the community.

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### And, Finally.....

Check out our webpage, join us on Facebook and Instagram



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### Alki Elementary School Information

Day of the week	Start Time	End Time
M, T, Th, F	7:55 a.m.	2:25 p.m.
W	7:55 a.m.	1:10 p.m.

[View Bell Schedule](#)

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Thank you for supporting the students of Alki!

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