
PETERSEN PRESS

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Welcome to Petersen, a fun place
to learn!

By Ellen Kilman

Welcome back Petersen, or for some of
you welcome to Petersen!

Petersen or OPE has a lot of clubs. You
may have heard about them from Ms. Rose in
September. Some of the clubs are Petersen
Parliament, KC Club (Kindness and
Compassion), and Petersen Press (student
newspaper). These are some of the things that
make going to Petersen fun.

Students can earn PRIDE tickets, a little
piece of paper that you can use at the PRIDE
store. You can get PRIDE tickets by following
the school rules and helping with things. Each
month Petersen focuses on a new character
trait. November will be Integrity. There are a lot
of ways to get PRIDE tickets.

There is also the Silver Lunch Tray,
Silver Shoe, and Bronze Book Award. You can
get the Silver Lunch Tray Award if your table at
lunch is quiet, clean underneath, and on top.
The Silver Shoe Award is given out by Mr.
Gierres, our PE teacher. Mrs. Gayman, the
librarian, gives out the Bronze Book Award
once a month, and your class gets it if you
have the most stars at the end of the month in
your grade. She has one for 4th, 5th, and 6th
grade.

If you want to be part of Petersen Press
you can pick up an application in the cafeteria
by our Petersen Press box or in the office. Be
sure to turn in your completed Petersen Press
application to our box by Friday, November
3rd. Hope you have a good year at Petersen!

Mr. W
By Ellen Kilman

Mr. Wilding is our new principal. Mr. W
has been teaching for 12 years, and this is his
18th year as a principal. He used to be called a
Deputy Superintendent. His favorite subject is
Reading and he loves brownies. His favorite
band when he was young was The Beatles.
His favorite animals are dogs. He actually has
a dog named Dugan who is super goofy and
weighs 60 pounds. He came to Scappoose to
work with all the amazing students, teachers,
and families here. His favorite vacation spot is
Boracay Beach in the Philippines. Mr. W lived
in China for seven years, wow right? He loves
spending time with funny students. He used to
work at Dubai United Arab Emirates American
Academy. He has a wife and two sons, his wife
happens to be a teacher. One of the sons is a
freshman and the other one is a senior in high
school. The senior plays soccer and the
freshman plays the guitar. He is so happy to be
our new principal.



Bienvenido Mrs. Ellett

By Molly Heimbuck

One of our three new Fifth grade teachers at OPE this year is Mrs. Ellett. She grew up in Beaverton and went to college at George Fox University and Concordia University to earn her teaching degree.



(Photo by Molly Heimbuck)

She has been teaching for five years, and before that she was a Zoo Camp Counselor. Mrs. Ellett said that her favorite animal at the zoo is a Spotted Owl, which I think is really cool since our school mascot is an owl.

Mrs. Ellett has an interesting story as to why she wanted to become a teacher. On the first day of first grade her teacher, Sister Marie Bernadette, turned on music and told them all to be butterflies. Ever since that day she wanted to be a teacher. She even carried around a notebook to take notes about how to be a teacher.

In her free time Mrs. Ellett likes to go off roading, camping, baking and cooking. When I asked Mrs. Ellett about her special talents she said, "I can speak fluent Spanish." This means that she can talk, write, and read in Spanish. WOW!

I hope you will join me in welcoming Mrs. Ellett to our school. She is a great addition to our teaching staff, and if you see her around the school be sure to say "Hola!"

Ms. Harris

By Ellen Kilman

Some of you may not know her, but you should. She's our awesome band teacher. Some of you have her for band. She would like to be called Ms. Harris. Ms. Harris has been teaching for 3 years, this will be her 4th year.

Ms. Harris is from Detroit, Michigan, cool right!? She was attracted to Scappoose because she loves the kids here, and she says all the kids and parents play well. Her favorite instrument to hear is the French horn, and she loves to play the flute and tuba. She loves cats, and her favorite candy bar is a Milky Way. Her favorite subjects in high school were English, Writing, and Reading. She loved going to Scotland because it was really pretty to her.

Ms. Harris became a teacher because she had some amazing high school teachers and she wants to kinda say thank you to them.

All of her family lives back in Michigan, but her neighbors do have a cat that comes over and visits sometimes. Her name is Nala and she's a feral black cat.

She is super excited to be a teacher for us, so the next time you see her say, "Hi." Here's a quote from her, "I became a band teacher so I could pay it forward."



(Photo by Jonathan Wood)

Welcome Mrs. Krieck

By Molly Heimbuck

Mrs. Krieck is one of our new fifth grade teachers. She recently got married and her new last name is commonly mispronounced. It sounds like "Krake." Mrs. Krieck is a very interesting teacher. She grew up in Scappoose and also went to Otto Petersen.

As a child Mrs. Krieck did not know what she wanted to be when she grew up. All she wanted to do was hangout and play soccer. As she got older she found that she liked school a lot and wanted to be there all the time. This is what led her down the path to teaching.

Mrs. Krieck's favorite subjects to teach are math and chapter book studies. When not in school she likes to read, color, go hiking, and camping. Above all Mrs. Krieck loves to play with her puppy, Rudy. Rudy is a German Shorthaired Pointer and is very energetic. Mrs. Krieck said that if she could magically turn into any animal it would be a dog that way she could talk to Rudy.

Mrs. Krieck is a great addition to our 5th grade teaching staff. She is very friendly, so if you see her in the hall be sure to give her a warm welcome to our school.



(Photo by Molly Heimbuck)

Ms. Lewno

By Jonathan Wood

Ms. Lewno's name is pronounced Levno. She worked at Rainer Hudson Park before coming to Otto Petersen; she worked there for 3 years.



(Photo by Jonathan Wood)

Ms. Lewno has one cat and zero children, but has four nieces and one nephew. If she could live anywhere she would live in Ireland. When she has spare time she reads a book. Her dad and her teachers both inspired her to become a teacher.



(Anonymous guest artist)

Ms. Miller

By Ellen Kilman

Meet one of our new 4th grade teachers. Her name is Ms. Miller. This is her first year as an official teacher. Her favorite subject is science, but she also loves to read and knit. If she's in an energetic mood she loves to go hiking and to go exploring, her past job was actually a park ranger, exciting right!? Her favorite candy is chocolate covered gummy bears, what weird right? But they do sound yummy. She loves owls isn't that a coincidence? Her favorite song is 'Hello' by April Wine. Ms. Miller has two younger siblings, a brother and a sister. She doesn't have any pets, but she does want a dog. She became a teacher because she loves to teach and help other people learn. She was accidentally teaching in some of her other jobs.

Her favorite part of being a teacher is getting to watch people learn new things, and she gets to learn some new things herself. Ms. Miller came to Scappoose because everybody was so friendly, and it is a beautiful place. Her favorite vacation spot is her family's cabin in Washington State. Her favorite quote is, "Do what you love and success will follow." I think that's a pretty good quote, do you? Anyway, that's all. I hope you like Ms. Miller and the next time you see her say, "Hi."



(Photo by Jonathan Wood)

Mrs. Reynolds

By Jonathan Wood

Mrs. Reynolds worked at the Scappoose Middle School before coming to Otto Petersen. She worked at the middle school for one year.

She has two dogs and two children that are now adults. If she could live anywhere she would live at the Oregon Coast. When she gets spare time she watches TV and plays video games. Her kids inspired her to become a teacher.



(Photo by Jonathan Wood)

How Halloween Originated

By Jonathan Wood

Halloween was started over 2000 years ago by the early Irish immigrants bringing the tradition to America. Back then the day was called Samhain and people believed that the dead would come back and visit them. They celebrated by having festivals and lighting huge bonfires. People dressed up in costumes even back then. Over time the name changed to Halloween and traditions like trick-or-treating, carving pumpkins and haunted houses came about.



The Twix Lover

By Ellen Kilman

Meet our new counselor, Ms. Rose! She has been teaching for 11 years and this will be her 12th, that's a long time. Ms. Rose's favorite subject is Reading, and she loves Twix bars. Her favorite song is called "Stayin' Alive". She loves kitties; she actually has one that is a big fluffy white one named Whitey. She came to Scappoose because she heard it was a great town, and it had amazing kids. Ms. Rose became a counselor because she loves to help people, and she likes the educational atmosphere. Her favorite vacation spot is Glacier Park in Montana. Her favorite part of her job is working with kids. Before working in Scappoose, she worked in Gladstone. She has three older sisters named Beverly, Loretta, and Jacie. She loves to go to the movies, she loves gardening, and she has an old Victorian house. Her favorite quote is the golden rule, "Treat others the way you want to be treated." So the next time you see Ms. Rose say, "Hello."



(Ms. Rose photo by Molly Heimback)



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Sixth grader Cooper Nelson attends Kim's TKD and will be trying for his black belt this summer. Cooper says, "It's fun. Everyone is nice. It's a good work out."

HAVE A SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN

SAMPLE



PETERSEN PRESS APPLICATION 2017-2018

Your Name: _____ Grade: _____

Teacher: _____ Room: _____

Petersen Press is now taking applications for new reporters, photographers and cartoonists. To be considered, you must fill out the entire application, include a sample work (see list below), including the signatures, and turn it in by Friday, November 3rd, 2017. No late applications will be accepted. Turn application into the Petersen Press inbox, located in the school cafeteria. You may apply for more than one position, if you wish.

Reporters: Please attach a two paragraph typed writing sample (article) of your own work on a topic of your choice.

Photographers: Include 2-4 photos, as a sample of your work (these will be returned to you).

Cartoonists: Please submit a sample of your own work – a cartoon of your choice.

* Meetings are held on alternating Mondays from 3:05 to 4:00pm

Student signature: _____

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Teacher signature: _____

A work sample & ALL 3 signatures required to apply!

Petersen Press meets some alternating Mondays 3:05-4:00pm. Please direct any questions you might have to Ellen Kilman, Editor, 5th grade, kilmanj@yahoo.com

Do you like to write stories? How about take pictures or draw cartoons? If you answered yes to any of those questions you could be part of Petersen Press! Pick up your application today in the cafeteria by our Petersen Press box. Be sure to turn in your completed Petersen Press application to our box by Friday, November 3rd.

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