

Glossary of Events

Annual Fundraising Gala & Auction: Formal fundraising event for parents, family and friends.

Barnes and Noble Book Fair: School-wide event to build resources for the classrooms and school library.

Beach Clean Up: International Coastal Cleanup effort to clean our beaches. Bridges is designated a section of our local beach to clean up.

Bright Space: Bridges school wide service learning project through the Bright Horizon's foundation and in conjunction with the Children's Home Society program.

Classroom Showcase:

- Pre-Primary – Children's presentation to parents of their favorite work.
- Elementary – Children's presentation of their favorite work and the year's cultural curriculum.

Classroom Social: Classroom opportunity for parents and children to meet at the beginning of the school year.

Donation Denim Day: School-wide Friday Denim Day with contributions going to various charities, including our Bright Space.

Earth Day Celebration: Yearly event to reinforce community environmental awareness.

Elementary Achievement Testing: Standardized Testing for Explorers through 6th grade. Results for Explorers and 1st graders are used for internal purposes only.

Elementary Bonding:

- Junior Elementary – “Get to know each other” sleepover held on campus.
- Senior Elementary– “Get to know each other” sleepover held off campus.

End of Year Trip (EOY): End-of-year trip for Elementary and Explorer students linked to the yearly cultural curriculum.

Field Day: Annual sporting event for Explorer and Elementary students and families featuring fitness, teamwork and fun.

Graduation/Commencement Ceremony: Acknowledgement of Toddler, Pre-Primary and Elementary students who have completed the curriculum cycle and are moving on to a new level.

In-House Registration: Enrollment of existing Bridges families for the upcoming academic year.

International Day of Peace: Celebration and promotion of worldwide peace.

Music Celebration: Elementary and Explorers music celebration.

New Parent Orientation: New parent question and answer session.

Open House (August): Event for parents and students to visit the classroom environment and meet the Directresses and fellow students.

Open Registration: Registration open to the public for the upcoming academic year.

Parent Education Workshop: Mandatory workshops for each level of education covering philosophy, teaching methods and materials, curriculum, schedules, expectations, and assessment in the classrooms.

Progressive Dinner: Parent social hosted by Bridges families.

Read-A-thon: Elementary classes read with proceeds benefiting our Bright Space.

Reading Workshop: Training for adults wanting to volunteer to read with children in the classroom.

Road Clean-up: School-wide clean up of SE Central Parkway and our campus.

Safety Patrol Appreciation Week: Opportunity for the community to show their support to those students who come in early and stay after school to assure safety during carline.

School-Wide Book Exchange: Opportunity for students to bring in books they would like to exchange with other students.

Spelling Bee: Spelling competition for Elementary students.

Spirit Day: Show of school spirit through thematic dress.

Stuart Holiday Parade: Opportunity for families and staff to show school spirit and create community awareness through the building of the Bridges float and participation in the parade.

Substitute Training: Training for individuals wanting to substitute in the classrooms or office.

Teacher In-Service Days: Professional development required of Bridges employees.

Toddler Community Lunch: A “family style” lunch that takes place at various times of the year, fostering community as well as independence.

Together Tuesdays: Opportunity for parents of Pre-Primary full day students to have lunch with their child at school.

Volunteer Appreciation Picnic: Fun, casual, family event for the entire community hosted by Bridges employees to recognize the hard work of our volunteers throughout the year.

Winter Performance: Curriculum based performance by each class from Pre-Primary through Elementary.

Yearbook Signing: Opportunity for Elementary students to exchange yearbooks for signing.