

Dear Parents,

Are all Octobers like this? Do you think we can pack in anymore? We need to throttle back a bit and we will after next week. Coming up is the BPE Golf Tourney....just the way for many in the Bridge Point community to connect....and Live Oak Adventure for our 5th grade students. Live Oak is a three-day, two-overnight experiential education event. One of us isn't going to get much sleep but the learning, coping, fun and mutual accountability make for a unique learning experience. Wish us good weather.

Indulge me in one last word about our Arts Days, please. A couple of mornings ago we executed the rain-delayed Peace sign ceremony on the soccer field. The Bridge Point student body outlined a good ol' peace sign. They stood in symbolic colors with their own peace flags displayed on the back fence. They solemnly gathered, got in place and sang (and sang again at the behest of their principal!) the sweet song "What a Wonderful World." 750 students singing in unison delighted all who were present. A short video is in preparation and soon we'll let you share the experience.

The ceremony capped a week of capturing the confluence of culture, art, rhythm and creation that the Arts Days provided. I am proud of Bridge Point...the students, teachers, organizing parents and community...for providing this organically created learning for our students. Some schools in our state would be more concerned with performance on a standardized assessment and not provide the time and space for this kind of learning. But take a look around the halls and campus. There is evidence everywhere of the experiences experienced, and memories created. To me, the best kind of learning.

Sincerely,

M. Bradford Wirht
Principal