

The Broomfield Bulletin
Administration Newsletter
Dr. Vanessa Ewing
Week of: November 30th 2009



Dear Families:

Here are a few reminders for everyone regarding this evening. The Winter Arts Festival and Program will begin at 7 pm at the Broomfield Auditorium, 3 Community Park Rd next to the Broomfield Library and north of the post office. Snacks will be provided in the lobby following the performance; please remember that food or drinks are not permitted in the main auditorium.

The PAC silent auction of classroom baskets will continue in the front lobby prior to the program. This year PAC is working to raise \$7,000 for additional classroom technology. You may bid on auction items or make a tax-deductible donation to PAC. Broomfield Academy Student Art Calendars will also be available for families to purchase at \$20.00 each. These calendars feature students' artwork.

1st grade through 6th grade students should arrive by 6:35pm for an on-stage rehearsal. Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten students should arrive by 6:50pm and should wait off-stage until directed by their teacher.

Students should wear semi-formal attire or their school uniforms for this program. There will not be any additional "costume" requirements.

At the end of our performance, the winners of the classroom baskets and auction items will be announced. After concluding remarks and applause, parents will be asked to pick up their children and move to the front foyer area to enjoy the student artwork and refreshments.

I want to extend a personal thank all of our families for taking the time to get involved in our school activities and programs. Throughout this first half of the school year the students have benefited from the volunteer efforts of our families in classrooms, the lunchroom, through special events, and on field trips. Thank you also for the tremendous volunteer efforts of the Parent Advisory Counsel (PAC) parents involved in helping with the Winter Arts Festival.

At Broomfield Academy volunteering is so important in creating a strong community. Whatever your level of involvement, please know that you are immensely appreciated.

As we finish this calendar year, I wish all of our families a wonderful holiday season and hope your holidays are full of fun!

Sincerely, Dr. Ewing

Operations and Facilities Column

Development of enrollment and registration materials for the 2010-2011 school year, the 2010 Broomfield Academy Summer Enrichment Camp, the summer 2010 Junior Kindergarten Program and the summer 2010 Elementary Prep Program were completed and will be distributed before winter break. Work to create draft contracts for current families will begin over the next few weeks and should be completed in mid-December. While final class configuration will depend on enrollment, we are planning for the school to have a separate third grade classroom next year. While some classes may change rooms, we are planning for fall classes to be in the same rooms as are being used this year.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns or suggestions you might have. I welcome your comments, positive and otherwise. A link to my email address can be found on the 'School' page of our website. Michael Greenberg, Director of Operations

Announcements:

Box Tops for Education (PAC Sponsored School Project): We are excited about the participation of our families in the Box Tops for Education fundraiser. As a result of the school-wide competition, Mrs. Mountain's class is still in the lead, though Mrs. Rajala's and Mrs. Wilson's classes are not far behind. The winning class will get to choose a school spirit day theme for Wednesday, December 16th and will have a class lunch party. The 2nd place class will have a special dessert treat. The competition will end on Friday, December 11th. Please continue to save box tops after the contest. The school will host an additional contest in the spring. All your box tops provide the school with additional money that is used for special programs and activities to enhance the school experience. Thank you for your participation!

Social and Emotional Needs of Gifted, Talented, and Creative Students: On Thursday, December 10th from 5:30 - 6:30 in the Kindergarten classroom (Mountain), I will be presenting information to our parents on the social and emotional needs of gifted children including struggles with sensitivity, perfectionism, maintaining attention, and working with age level peers. We will also discuss resources and plan for a support group for our families. **Please call to RSVP for this event to help us prepare for handout and material needs.**

Student Ambassador Program - All Interested Participants Must Contact Dr. Ewing by Monday, December 7th: We are starting a program for student leaders in each class that will serve as role models for other students through service learning, supporting and welcoming new or struggling students, and helping each class focus on the virtue of the month. We will meet for lunch meetings and special event coordination planning throughout the school year. This is a wonderful way for our students to serve as a good friend and role model to others on campus. If you would like to be involved in this program, please email Dr. Ewing at principal@broomfieldacademy.com.

Friday Fun - Pajama Party: An evening event for our students in order to help give families a little time to do holiday shopping, enjoy a dinner together, or just have a little time to relax. On Friday, December 4th, we will host a snack, winter-themed movie, crafts, and pajama party from 6 - 8 p.m. for children ages 3 – up. We ask for a suggested donation of \$5-\$10 to cover the cost of snacks, staff, and crafts. **Please RSVP today to reserve your spot for the evening.**

Meeting Date -- Learning Community Book Club: We will be reading and discussing a variety of books related to education. Our 2nd book club meeting will cover chapters 7-12 and will be at 5:15 at Old Chicago on **Wednesday, January 13th.** Our book is *Letting go of Perfect* by Dr. Adelson and Dr. Wilson (2009) Prufrock Press Inc.

After Clubs and Programs- call the front office for more information:

Yearbook Club

Boy Scouts

Girl Scouts

Capoeira- Brazilian Martial Arts

Private music and voice lessons

Dance Class

Spanish Club and Mandarin Club

Chess Club Resumes in January

Rookies meet Monday nights -- Jan. 4th through Mar. 8th -- Eight sessions from 3:30-4:30

Grades: JK – 1st (This class is for little to no experience with the game of chess.)

Vanguards meet Tuesday nights -- Jan. 5th through March 9th -- Eight sessions from 3:30-4:30

Grades: 2nd – 6th (This class is for students who have been playing chess and would like to learn more about strategies)

- Cost is \$10 per session per student**
- Contact Brian Kroeger to register bkroeger@broomfielddacademy.com**

You may also call the Front Office

- Make up sessions will be made in the event of inclement weather**

Broomfield Academy Enrollment Referral Program: Broomfield Academy families earn a \$500 academic tuition credit for each family they refer, and who subsequently attend the school for the majority of the academic school year. There is no limit to the number of credits each family can receive. The \$500 credit, per family referred, is applied equally to all remaining payments or can be carried as a credit towards future charges and fees.