

THE BROOMFIELD BULLETIN:
ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

DR. VANESSA EWING
WEEK OF: JANUARY 19TH 2009



Dear Parents,

I am excited to share two fun events our parents and students have planned during these next couple weeks. Next **Wednesday** our **Parent Advisory Council (PAC)** will be providing **smoothies, hot chocolate, and muffins** to students during our **recesses**. They are asking for a **\$5 donation** per child. Checks should be made out to **Broomfield Academy PAC**. Proceeds from the day will be applied toward our PAC Sponsored Broomfield Academy Friends and Family Fun Festival scheduled for May 9th.

The **Broomfield Banner Student Newspaper Club** is holding a writing contest for all students. Students may write poems or short fiction stories for this contest. All students will receive an award and our top students may receive a prize of lunch of their choice, choosing a school theme day (such as pajama or sports day), or becoming honorary principal for half of a school day! **All entries for the contest must be received by February 6th** and can be given to Dr. Ewing or Esteban Arellano, our newspaper editor from 4th grade.

Parent / Teacher Conferences are on February 5th and 6th. Our sign up sheets are next to the front office and foyer area of the school. If you are not normally enrolled in the extended day program and need childcare for these two afternoons, be sure to sign up at the front office also. The fee is \$15 per day.

Teacher in-service days are February 13th and 16th. There will be no school these two days. If you need childcare for these two days, please sign up for the **February Camp** outside of the front office.

As a final reminder, parents should be parking in the church lot when picking up and dropping off their children. **If you are coming to the front entrance for mid-day or end-of-day pick up please make sure to use the spaces on the street or on the outside of the trees.** Please avoid using the spaces that are between the trees and the building. Those spaces are for the staff and families at the TLC Childcare Center adjacent to our school. Thank you for your understanding.

I hope you will enjoy your upcoming extended weekend. I look forward to seeing you again next week.

Kind regards, Dr. Vanessa Ewing

Extended Day Announcements

We had a fun week with the theme of Chinese New Year in Extended Day. As our older students have homework for part of their extended day Monday-Thursday, Fridays students will vote on special activities and snacks for our TGIF- Friday Fun for the next Friday..

Upcoming Extended Day Events:

Crafts Week: Monday- Thursday will be dedicated to long-term craft projects. TGIF - student chosen fun activities to end our week.

Kind regards, Miss. Liz (Kaplan)

Operations and Facilities Column

Broomfield Academy will be offering both a Junior Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten class this summer. Space will be limited with current families having a chance to enroll before the school opens these classes up to new families. Information will be sent to families by the Principal before the end of January.

We took advantage of the nice weather to do outdoor facilities work, including gutter cleaning and repair, as well as general grounds cleanup. We installed safety end caps on the playground borders. All of the existing carbon monoxide detectors were checked for proper function and three additional detectors were installed.

The Broomfield Chamber featured the school at its annual dinner in recognition of the services provided to the community over the past two years.

As always, please feel free to contact me or the front office with any questions, concerns or suggestions you might have.

Michael Greenberg

Announcements:

The school still has a need for 2 more computers. They need not be state-of-the art. They just need to be able to support the basic current Microsoft Office and Internet Explorer applications.

Community Event - Feb 25th - 'Parenting Gifted Kids: Tips for Raising Happy and Successful Children' by Dr. Jim Delisle. This seminar is sponsored by the Jefferson County Association for Gifted Children (JAGC). Join us on Wednesday, **February 25th, 6:00 - 9:00 pm** at the Jeffco Education Center, Building 27, School Board Room, 5th Floor, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, CO 80401.

Volunteers Wanted: If you would like to volunteer, please email tkbuller@aol.com or call Kathy at 720-425-0429.

Parents Advisory Council (PAC) is meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. **Our next meeting in February 10th.** Childcare is provided for families needing this service. Please contact Edward Settle, PAC Chair, at e.settle@renewableinvestments.net to learn more about how you can be involved.

Open House and School Visit Day Date: February 10th **at 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.** parents may schedule a tour to visit our school, philosophy, and programming. Students may schedule a half day visit to our school on this day also. Students will be able to experience being a part of Broomfield Academy as we help families determine placement for the 2009-2010 school year. If you know of interested families, please have them call the front office at 303 469 6449 to reserve a space.

After Clubs and Programs:

"Math from Many Cultures" *8 Classes, \$12/class -- \$96/session*
Tuesdays, 3:30-5:15 p.m. (1st 15 minutes for transition/snack time)

This hands-on, math problem-solving class is designed for students (8-11 years old) who like fun challenges and enjoy exploring different ways to solve puzzles. We'll play strategy games, figure out logic & spatial puzzles, look at some ancient number systems, and try other problem-solving activities from different cultures around the world. These "brainteaser" activities come from many places, including: Ancient Egypt & China, Europe, various African countries, and of course America, including Native American cultures. Your child will end up with a game folder full of activities that can be played at home with family and friends!

I have an extensive elementary teaching background. I've been teaching math problem-solving (and some science) classes through CU's Science Discovery Program for the past 13 -1/2 years. I taught 2nd-4th graders at Rocky

Mountain School for the Gifted & Creative in Boulder for 7 years. Prior to that I worked at various public elementary schools for many years. I look forward to working with you.

Nancy Wigington

If interested, please e-mail me at: wigfam@earthlink.net

(Class will begin in late January; minimum of 4 students. I will contact you directly.)

Staff and Family Book Club-*The Knowledge Deficit* by E.D. Hirsch, one of the founders of Core Knowledge.
Upcoming Book Club Date- mid-February, date TBD.

Girl Scouts: We meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month from 3:45-4:45 as long as school is in the regular session for the day. Dates: 2/19, 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16, 5/7 (5/7 is our Girl Scout graduation, badge, and bridging ceremony). The dates and times for our camping event for Brownies and Juniors, as well as our outing for our Daisies will be coming soon.

Broomfield Banner: Students in grades 2 and up may participate in this student led newspaper. Our meetings take place on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 3:45-4:45 as long as school is in regular session for the day.

For information on other clubs including: **Capoeira, Dance Class, Chess Club, Boy Scouts, Spanish Club, or Chinese Club** please contact the front office.

Broomfield Academy Enrollment Referral Program: Broomfield Academy families receive a \$500 academic tuition credit* for each family they refer (and who attend the school for the majority of the academic school year).

*The amount of free tuition earned is spread out over the course of the academic school year.