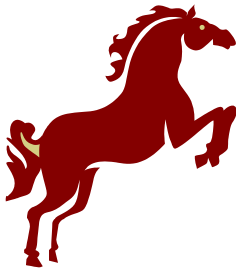


Burrillville Middle School



Monthly Parent Newsletter
October 2009

Progress Notices October 2, 2009

The first Progress Report of the year will be carried home by your child on October 2nd.
Be looking for them!

NECAP Testing



Parents, please be aware that our students will be taking the NECAP state testing from Oct. 7th - 16th. The New England Common Assessment Program is one of the important tools available to parents and educators to determine if our school is helping students meet standards and grade level expectations. In every assessment, scores are only as good as the effort a student puts into the test. For these reasons, we would appreciate parents' cooperation in discussing the upcoming testing. Please encourage your children to take the test seriously and to give their best effort. And don't forget to eat breakfast!!

Help us go **Green!**

This Parent Newsletter is now on line at the same time that we distribute the newsletter to students. You may now select to access the Newsletter each month from the Burrillville School District website or receive a paper copy. We have attached a form that will allow you to select the way you choose to receive the newsletters. Please fill out the form attached and have your child return it to school.

Give it a test run. Go to... www.bsd-ri.net



School Improvement Team

The next SIT meeting is Wednesday, October 7th at 7:00pm in the Media Center. All parents are invited.

Our Major Fundraiser of the Year – Gift Card Sales



Do you know that the funds generated through fundraisers like Gift Card sales help to support student activities, such as incentives for NECAP, the 5th grade transition, the 8th grade field trip, the 8th grade dinner and the Scholar Leader Dinner participation fee? We also pay for or subsidize admission to dances and field trips for those who may not be able to afford to go. Please support our annual gift card fundraiser again this year. It may save you time and money because you make all of your purchases at one time. We are accepting orders in October and again in November so that you can spread out your holiday shopping over two months. Please use the attached order forms to place your order. All gift cards are received in early November or early December depending upon when the order is placed. The order form is attached to this newsletter. We also have copies at the main office.



Immunization Records

(A matter of Public Safety)



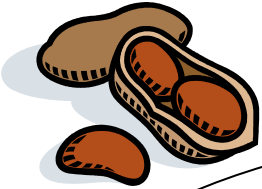
We need your help! By RI State Regulation, students in grade 7 MUST provide the school with an updated immunization chart with the dates of immunization listed. If you have not provided us with the information, you will receive a letter requesting that you obtain the list from your child's pediatrician. We are conducting a review of our files. We will be in contact with parents and students who are in need of record updates. If you know that you did not submit the immunization update, please contact your physician immediately and share our confidential fax number with them. (BMS Fax #: 568-1317). *Thank You!*



Picture Day

Picture retakes will take place on **October 6th**. Students must return their old pictures in order to have the second set of pictures taken.





Halloween Candy

In order to safeguard the health of our students with nut allergies, BMS has peanut/nut free classrooms. We also have designated tables for students with lunches that contain peanut/nut products. Please remind your child to refrain from taking candy to school. It may be too much of a temptation to eat the treats in an inappropriate area.

Thank you!

Parent Volunteers... Do you know?

Any parent who plans to chaperone or volunteer in a school in the Burrillville School District must have a **BCI check** that is current – less than one year old. The forms for the BCI check can be obtained at the Superintendent's Office or the schools. Once the local police department has completed the check, the information will be sent to the Superintendent's Office. The schools will then be able to call and check the status of a parent volunteer. *Please take the time to complete the paperwork. We need you!*



Yearbook Sales

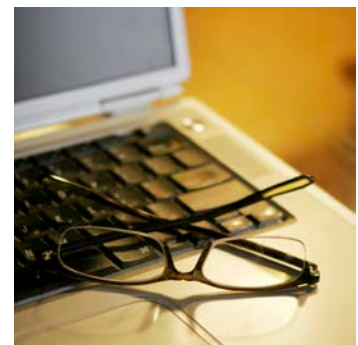
Pre-order your 2009-2010 **Yearbook** early and *Save*. Order forms will be distributed soon. Pre-order sales will run through November 20, 2009 for a discounted price of \$29.00.

This year's book can be ordered online through Lifetouch or students can submit the form to either Mrs. Short or Ms. Robidoux any morning from 7:15 until 7:30 in either the gym or the auditorium.

(Sales will continue in February for a cost of \$33.00.)

Thumb drive Directions: Cruiser USB

If you have a Cruiser USB thumb drive it probably comes with an AutoLaunch feature that makes it difficult or impossible to use at school. Because of network security, software applications are not allowed to run off of USB thumb drives. Here are the directions to disable the AutoRun



or AutoLaunch feature.

VERY IMPORTANT: YOU NEED TO DO THIS AT HOME IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO USE THE USB AT SCHOOL!! THESE DIRECTIONS WILL NOT WORK AT SCHOOL!

1. Put USB in port
2. Box should come up automatically: Click on "Run Launch U3.exe"
3. Another box should come up with several icons. Double-click on the disc icon that should say "Launch U3"
4. Click on the little orange "U3" icon down in the lower right in the taskbar at the bottom of the screen. It should bring up all the features of your Cruzer thumb drive. (There are games and programs built right in to most of them.)
5. Find the button marked "Settings" and when you click on it choose "U3 Launchpad Settings"
6. Click "Autorun" on the left
7. There should be 2 buttons now. The one on top should say "Disable Autorun". Click that button.
8. X out of everything and you should be all set to use it in school as a regular storage device.

** After you click on "Disable Autorun" you can follow these instructions again to enable it if you ever want/need to.



School Activities

As you know, we attempt to schedule student activities, such as dances, periodically to add life to our school and for the enjoyment of our students. We charge students \$5.00 or (\$4.00 and a can good at the holidays) to attend a dance to cover the expense of the DJ, police officer and fireman who are paid. (The chaperones are never paid.) We may sell snacks as well. If the cost of the dance is a real financial hardship, we are able to provide admission passes for each dance. Please call either a guidance counselor or an administrator.



Halloween Dances - Friday, October 30, 2009

The 6th grade dance will be held from 2:15 until 4:30pm.

The 7th and 8th grade students will have a dance from 6:00 – 9:00pm.

Students **must** have transportation home immediately following the dance.

The cost for either dance is \$5.00. Snacks will be sold for \$0.50; water is \$1.00; pizza for grades 7 & 8 is \$2.00 per large slice.

September 28, 2009

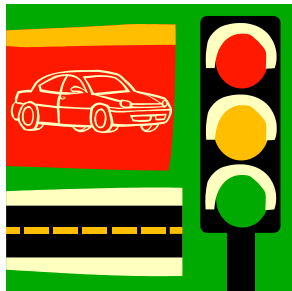
Dear Parents/Guardians:

Mrs. Boucher's and Mrs. Abruzzi's 6th grade Advisory groups will be in charge of the **Feinstein Hunger Brigade** this year. We will be making posters in advisory to put up around the school and collecting donated canned goods. We ask that each student bring in a canned good to help make Thanksgiving baskets for those less fortunate. If anyone wishes to bring in more than one can good that is always welcomed. Mr. Feinstein will give \$1.00 to BMS for each canned good that we collect. Please help to make this drive a success for the less fortunate and BMS.

Thank you for your support.

6th Grade Advisory Teachers
Mrs. Boucher
Mrs. Abruzzi

Important...Important...Important...Important...Important...Important



Traffic Pattern - Morning

In order to ensure the safety of our students, we ask that parents drop their children off at the gymnasium entrance (left entrance when facing the building). The school busses enter and circle in front of the Central Office Building and pull up in front of the main entrance. Parents and students following this pattern will be visible to the bus driver.

Please drive slowly in the parking lot. Students and staff members are leaving their cars. We want to ensure that NO cars are weaving through the parked cars to drop off a student while people are exiting their parked cars.

Late Bus: We have a late bus four (4) days per week this year. **A student must have a school related reason to stay after school and sign up with Ms. Robidoux to take the bus home.**





Help us go **Green!**



I no longer need a paper copy of the Parent Newsletter. I will access the newsletter online using the Burrillville School Department website (www.bsd-ri.net).

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature _____

Date: _____

Burrillville Middle School "Gift Card Order" Fundraiser Fall 2009

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Total # of items ordered: Total Face Value \$

Orders placed by Oct 30 will arrive for Nov 13

Orders placed by Nov 25 will arrive for Dec 11

For Office Use Only:

Only Checks and Money Orders Accepted, payable to: BMS

RETAILER (% PROFIT to BMS)	GIFT	QTY	TOTAL \$
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Apparel/ Footwear			
Aeropostale (7%)	\$25		
American Eagle Outfitters (9%)	\$25		
Banana Republic (Gap) (11%)	\$25		
Champs Sport Store (Foot Locker) (9%)	\$25		
Dress Barn (8%)	\$25		
Express (10%)	\$25		
Express for Men (Express) (10%)	\$25		
Fashion Bug (8%)	\$25		
Finish Line (10%)	\$25		
Foot Locker Stores (9%)	\$25		
Gap (11%)	\$25		
Gymboree (13%)	\$25		
J. Crew (13%)	\$25		
L.L. Bean (17%)	\$25		
L.L. Bean (17%)	\$100		
Lands' End (17%)	\$25		
Lands' End (17%)	\$100		
Lane Bryant (Fashion Bug) (8%)	\$25		
Marshalls (TJMaxx) (7%)	\$25		
Marshalls (TJMaxx) (7%)	\$100		
Old Navy (Gap) (11%)	\$25		
Payless Shoes (13%)	\$20		
T.J. Maxx (7%)	\$25		
T.J. Maxx (7%)	\$100		
Talbots (13%)	\$25		
The Children's Place (12%)	\$25		

Department Stores

RETAILER (% PROFIT to BMS)	GIFT	QTY	TOTAL \$
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Electronics/ Office/ Music/ Books			
Barnes & Noble (10%)	\$10		
Barnes & Noble (10%)	\$25		
Best Buy (3%)	\$25		
Best Buy (3%)	\$100		
Borders/ Waldenbooks (9%)	\$10		
Borders/ Waldenbooks (9%)	\$25		
f.y.e. (6%)	\$25		
Game Stop (3%)	\$25		
Office Depot (4%)	\$25		
Office Max (5%)	\$25		
Radio Shack (4%)	\$25		
Staples (5%)	\$25		
Staples (5%)	\$100		

Sporting Goods

Bass Pro Shops (9%)	\$25		
Cabela's (11%)	\$25		
Cabela's (11%)	\$100		
Dick's Sporting Goods (8%)	\$25		

Specialty Retailer

Babies R Us (1.5%)	\$20		
Bath & Body Works (13%)	\$10		
Bath & Body Works (13%)	\$25		
Build A Bear (8%)	\$25		
Claire's/ Icing (9%)	\$10		

JC Penny (5%)	\$25		
JC Penny (5%)	\$100		
Kohl's Dept. Store (4%)	\$25		
Kohl's Dept. Store (4%)	\$100		
K Mart (4%)	\$25		
K Mart (4%)	\$50		
Macy's (10%)	\$25		
Macy's (10%)	\$100		
Sears (4%)	\$25		
Sears (4%)	\$100		
Wal-Mart/ Sam's Club (2%)	\$25		
Wal-Mart/ Sam's Club (2%)	\$100		

Harry & David (10%)	\$25		
Jo-Ann Fabrics (6%)	\$20		
Michael's (4%)	\$25		
Omaha Steaks (11%)	\$25		
Sally Beauty Supply (12%)	\$25		
Sephora (4%)	\$20		
Sunglass Hut (12%)	\$25		
Toys R Us (1.5%)	\$20		
1-800 Flowers (10%)	\$25		

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Dining - Casual/ Fine

99 Restaurant (13%)	\$25		
Applebee's (10%)	\$25		
Boston Market (12%)	\$10		
Cheesecake Factory (5%)	\$25		
Chilli's Grill & Bar (11%)	\$25		
Chuck E. Cheese (8%)	\$10		
Cracker Barrel (9%)	\$10		
Dave & Busters (13%)	\$25		
Legal Sea Foods (13%)	\$25		
Longhorn Steakhouse (9%)	\$25		
Olive Garden (Red Lobster) (9%)	\$25		
Outback Steakhouse (5%)	\$25		
Pizzeria Uno (Uno Chicago Grill) (12%)	\$25		
Red Lobster (9%)	\$25		
Ruby Tuesday's (8%)	\$25		
Ruth's Chris Steakhouse (10%)	\$50		
TGI Fridays (10%)	\$25		

Dining- On the Go

Arby's (8%)	\$10		
Baskin Robbins (9%)	\$2		
Burger King (4%)	\$10		
Cold Stone Creamery (8%)	\$10		
D'Angelo/Papa Gino's (10%)	\$10		

Entertainment/ Movies

AMC Theaters/ Loews Cineplex (7%)	\$25		
Blockbuster Gift Card (7%)	\$10		
Cinemark/ Century Theatres (4%)	\$25		
Showcase Multiplex Cinemas (9%)	\$25		

Home Décor

Bed Bath & Beyond (7%)	\$25		
Crate and Barrel (8%)	\$25		
Crate and Barrel (8%)	\$100		
HomeGoods (TJ Maxx) (7%)	\$25		
HomeGoods (TJ Maxx) (7%)	\$100		
Pier 1 Imports (9%)	\$25		
Pottery Barn/ Williams Sonoma (8%)	\$25		
Pottery Barn/ Williams Sonoma (8%)	\$100		

Home Improvement

Ace Hardware (4%)	\$25		
Home Depot (4%)	\$25		
Home Depot (4%)	\$100		
Home Depot (4%)	\$500		
Lowe's Home Improvement (4%)	\$25		
Lowe's Home Improvement (4%)	\$100		
Lowe's Home Improvement (4%)	\$500		

Domino's Pizza (5%)	\$5		
Dunkin Donuts (4%)	\$10		
KFC (9%)	\$5		
Panera Bread (9%)	\$10		
Papa Gino's (10%)	\$10		
Papa John's (8%)	\$10		
Pizza Hut (8%)	\$10		
Starbucks (7%)	\$10		
Subway (3%)	\$10		
Wendy's (4%)	\$10		

Grocery/ Pharmacy

Shaw's Supermarket (4%)	\$25		
Shaw's Supermarket (4%)	\$100		
Stop & Shop (4%)	\$25		
Stop & Shop (4%)	\$100		
CVS (6%)	\$25		
Rite Aid (4%)	\$25		
Walgreens (6%)	\$25		

Utility

AT&T 125 Minute Card (20%)	\$10		
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Extra Stuff

Gift Card Wrapper (16 pk sampler)(20%)	\$6		
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Gas/ Auto

Advance Auto Parts (7%)	\$25		
Chevron (1.5%)	\$50		
Exxon/ Mobil (1.5%)	\$50		
Gulf Oil (2%)	\$25		
Pep Boys (4%)	\$20		
Shell (all states) (2.5%)	\$50		
Sunoco (1.5%)	\$50		
Texaco (2%)	\$25		

Travel

American Airlines (8%)	\$100		
American Airlines (8%)	\$250		
Avis Car rental (8%)	\$50		
Best Western Int'l (12%)	\$100		
Budget car Rental (8%)	\$50		
Comfort Suites (4%)	\$100		
Courtyard (Marriot) (8%)	\$100		
Disney Gift Card (2%)	\$25		
Disney Gift Card (2%)	\$100		
Marriot Hotels (8%)	\$100		
Quality Inn (4%)	\$100		