

Briarwood Newsletter

Briarwood Family
Newsletter

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December 17, 2019

Message from Mr. Lash

Traffic Reminders

Small Circle Drive

The small circle drive is designated for buses and pre-k drop off and pick up only. If you have a pre-k student and they have an older sibling they should be dropped off and picked up in the small circle drive, too. The increased traffic has caused issues with buses, parking, and pick up for pre-k families. Please do not use the small circle drive if you do not have a pre-k student.

Vehicle Drop Off and Pick Up

All students being dropped off or picked up should enter and exit the vehicle on the curb side. If you need to get out of your vehicle to help your child exit or enter the vehicle, please park your vehicle in the designated parking spots so you can do this in a safe area and not create a backup in the vehicle line.

Safety First

To make for a safe and relaxing drop-off and pick-up of students please be patient and use extreme caution when you are near the school and in the school parking lot. This would include driving slowly, staying off your cell phone, paying attention to your surroundings, and paying attention to the crossing guards. Our number one priority is the safety of our students, staff, parents, and patrons.

Recordatorios de tráfico

Glorieta pequeña

La glorieta pequeña está diseñada para autobuses y para dejar y recoger Pre-K solamente. Si tiene un estudiante de prekínder y tienen un hermano mayor, también deben dejarlo y recogerlo en la unidad de círculo pequeño. El aumento del tráfico ha causado problemas con los autobuses, el estacionamiento y la recogida para las familias de prekínder. Por favor, no use la glorieta pequeña si no tiene un estudiante de prekínder.

Entrega y recogida en el vehículo

Todos los estudiantes que se dejan o recogen deben entrar y salir del vehículo en el lado de la banqueta. Si necesita salir de su vehículo para ayudar a su hijo a salir o ingresar al vehículo, estacione su vehículo en los lugares de estacionamiento designados para que pueda hacerlo en un área segura y no cree una copia de seguridad en la línea del vehículo.

Important Dates

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- Thursday, December 19: **Classroom holiday parties, 2:30pm**
- Friday, December 20: **End of 2nd quarter, EARLY DISMISSAL 12:30** (no school Pre-K)
- December 23 – January 3: **Winter Break, NO SCHOOL**
- Monday, January 6: **Class resumes! First day of 3rd quarter**
- Monday, January 13: **Dining Partners, Freddy's, 5:00-9:00pm**
- Wednesday, January 15: **Class / Club picture day**
- Monday, January 20: **Martin Luther King Jr. Day – NO SCHOOL**
- Thursday, January 23: **Skate party, 4:00 -6:00 pm**

Seguridad primero

Para asegurarnos que los estudiantes puedan ser dejados y recogidos de manera segura y relajante, tenga paciencia y tenga mucho cuidado cuando esté cerca de la escuela y en el estacionamiento de la escuela. Esto incluiría conducir lentamente, mantenerse alejado de su teléfono celular, prestar atención a su entorno y prestar atención a los guardias de cruce. Nuestra prioridad número uno es la seguridad de nuestros estudiantes, personal, padres y patrocinadores.

Band, Choir, and Strings Winter Concert

It was awesome to see the gymnasium full of family and friends as our 5th and 6th grade students put on a great holiday show! A big thank you to Alexis Biehl, Strings Director, Kent Setty, Band Director, and Gina Sapp, Choir Director for preparing our students to shine bright! It was evident the students had a blast performing as many students had big smiles on their faces as they performed!

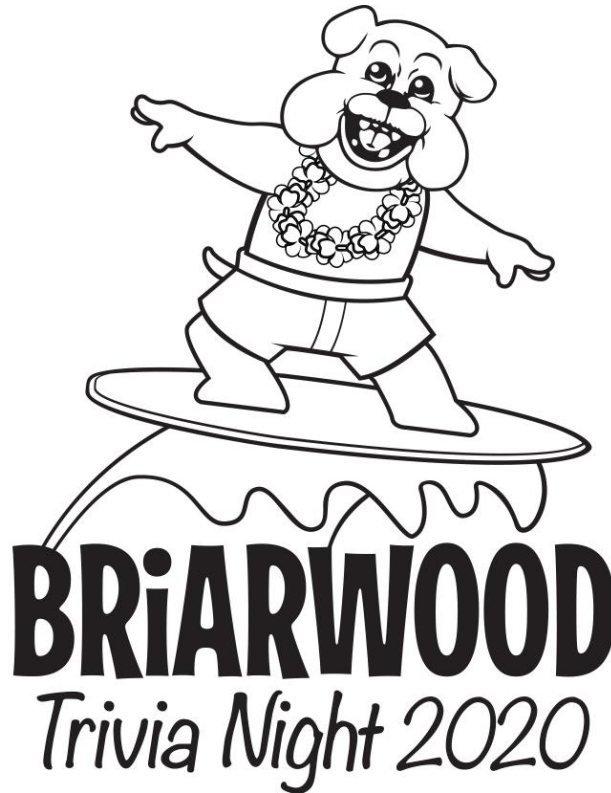
Concierto de Invierno de Banda, Coro y Cuerdas

Fue increíble ver el gimnasio lleno de familiares y amigos en nuestro quinto y sexto grado. ¡los estudiantes organizaron un gran espectáculo de invierno! Muchas gracias a Alexis Biehl Director de Cuerdas, Kent Setty director de la banda y Gina Sapp, directora del coro por preparar a nuestros estudiantes para que brillen! Eso era evidente que los estudiantes se divirtieron mucho ya que muchos estudiantes tenían grandes sonrisas en sus caras mientras cantaban y tocaban!



Save the Date for Briarwood's 3rd Annual Trivia Night

Saturday, February 22, 2020 at Westport Flea Market – ticket sales will start in January!



Lost and Found!

Lost and Found is overflowing again. We've set up a table in the entry with all the coats, caps, mittens and lunch boxes etc. that have no name so we can return them to the owner.

Please come check our lost & found as all the clothing will be shipped to the SMSD clothing center over winter break.

(Investing in a permanent marker and putting a name in your child's items is much cheaper than buying a new coat!)

Nominate an Outstanding Teacher!

Shawnee Mission has some of the best teachers in the state of Kansas. Recognize a deserving teacher by nominating them for the 2020-2021 SMSD Teacher of the Year. The deadline is **December 19th**. More information here:

<https://www.smsd.org/about/news-post/~board/district-news/post/nominate-an-outstanding-teacher>

Calling All Crossing Guards!

We need volunteers for Spring Semester crosswalk duty at 86th & Juniper!

A few things to keep in mind...

- Crosswalk times are 7:50-8:10am in the morning and 3:05-3:20pm in the afternoon (12:25-12:40pm on half days).
- *If you are unable to make your assigned time, please find a sub or trade with someone.* You can use SignUp Genius to request a sub or contact someone directly.
- When you sign up, try to sign up for morning and afternoon of the same date



Please sign up for at least one day a month. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c4ea5ae2ba13-briarwood>



Last Chance for a Bulldog Book!

A Bulldog Book makes a wonderful gift from parents, grandparents or anyone looking to support their Briarwood Bulldog.

For a \$10 donation per book, your student can place their personalized book plate in a book from the library's current collection. Each Bulldog Book remains a lasting part of the library collection, to be enjoyed by students for years to come. **The Bulldog Book deadline is Friday, December 20th**

Visit the "Store" tab at Membership Toolkit:
www.briarwoodptaop.membershiptoolkit.com

Marker Recycling

Did you know that we are recycling markers at Briarwood? You may have seen these bins - one located on each floor. Crayola partners with schools through the ColorCycle program. They accept ANY plastic markers, not just Crayola. We collect and box them, they pay shipping and the plastic is re-purposed. Win, Win!

Last year we recycled 2,600 markers!

Remind your students to recycle their markers at the end of the semester if they are dried out, or clean out your arts and crafts area at home and send your old markers to school with your student to put in the bins!





Class & Club Picture Day

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15th

CLASS PICTURES

Each class is photographed
as a group.

ALL Briarwood students
receive a
complimentary 8x10 photo
from Inter-State Studio!



CLUB PICTURES

These clubs will be photographed
and included in the yearbook:

Student Council
Choir
Band
Strings
Mathletics
Math Club
Steam Club
Art Club
Book Club

Questions? Contact Michelle Ingram:
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Dining Partners



ENJOY *Fresh* FOOD & RAISE *Funds*

Join your friends and family at Freddy's

10690 Roe Ave

Overland Park

Monday, January 13

5pm-9pm

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Briarwood Elementary School

will receive a percentage of the sales from this event!

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SM East Lancer Dancer Clinic

Saturday, January 4, 2020 1-3:30pm

The Lancer Dancer Booster Club will host the annual Lancer Dancer dance clinic for all girls K-8 interested in learning dance technique and fun new dances! All dances will be suited to grade level and all schools welcome. No dance experience necessary! Proceeds help fund team costumes and competitions.

Grades K-8 check-in starts at 12:30pm, clinic starts at 1pm

\$35 -Includes t-shirt, hair ribbon, snack & drink

Walk-ins are welcome!

Dances will be performed at halftime of the 5:30 pm (K-5th grades) and 7pm (6-8th grades) basketball game on TUESDAY, JANUARY 7TH.

Please detach and mail completed form below to
Lancer Dancer Clinic, 52 LeMans Court, Prairie Village, KS 66208

For more information or to register online:

www.smelancerdancers.com

Registrations must be rec'd and paid by FRIDAY, DEC. 20th to guarantee requested t-shirt size.

All registrants will receive an email regarding what to wear plus much more!

Questions? Email Cheryl Commerford at cheryl.commerford1963@gmail.com or Mel Wolf at melandgreg@sbcglobal.net

LANCER DANCER CLINIC REGISTRATION

Dancer name:

Parent name:

Parent email:

Parent cell phone:

School attending:

Grade:

T-shirt size (circle one)

Youth SM (6) Youth MED (8-10) Youth LRG (12) Adult SM Adult MED Adult LARGE

____ I am mailing a check (payable to Lancer Dancer Boosters) with this form to be received by 12/20

____ I will pay by VENMO by 12/20@SMEastLancerDancers

(If using VENMO please include your daughter's name and your phone number in comments)

I understand the risks involved in dancing the will not hold Shawnee Mission East or the Lancer Dancer Booster Club responsible for injuries sustained by my daughter during the clinic or performance.

Parent name _____ Signature _____ Date _____



A Community Education Event

LGBTQ and You

Supporting our LGBTQ Youth

Learn from a panel of LGBTQ advocates and experts:

- what it means to be an ally to LGBTQ youth
- community resources
- ways to positively parent your LGBTQ youth

Westridge
Middle School

Wednesday,
January 22nd
6pm

RSVP here:
bit.ly/smsdlgbtq



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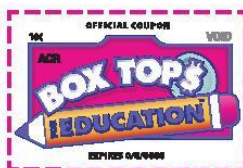
Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



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