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The Baldwin Broadside

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October is School Library Month

CONGRATULATIONS!
Summer Reading and Math Participants Recognized
Congratulations to all the students who participated in the summer reading and math program. Mr. Leonardos, Sara-Jane Rogers, our school literacy coach, and Ben Geiger, our school math coach, visited the classrooms and acknowledged the students who participated in the summer programs. Students who participated in the reading program were presented with a certificate of merit and a mechanical pencil. For each grade level, their name was placed in a basket and drawn for prizes. All students who participated in the summer math program received a homework pass and a Baldwin Math pencil. Thank you to all the parents who helped support their child throughout the summer.

Congratulations to Mr. O'Connor, our first grade teacher. He and his family welcomed Isabella Margaret O'Connor on October 6th. She was 20 inches and 7 pounds, 1 ounce.

COMING UP AT BALDWIN ...

Cider Pressing!
Thursday, October 18
During the school day, several of our classrooms will enjoy cider pressing with our Garden Coordinator, Sarah Rund. Students will learn about cider pressing and will sample their work.

Election Day Food Sale Planning Meeting
Thursday, October 18
8:45 - 9:15, 1st floor conference room
If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to help, please let Susan know (stiersch@cpsd.us).

Walk/Ride Day
Friday, October 19
Go green, wear green, walk, ride your bike, or scooter to school!
Participate in Walk/Ride Day with the many families of Baldwin who participate in this monthly event.

Spirit Day and All-School Morning Meeting
Wednesday, October 24
We will start our day with our first all-school morning meeting of the school year.

Our first spirit day will be Pajama Day! Students are encouraged to wear their pajamas to school. Please remember that proper footwear is required in the building. Spend the entire day in your pajamas and then spend the evening at school for Pajama Reading Night!

Pajama Reading Night

Wednesday, October 24
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Library & 3rd floor
Families are invited to this celebration of reading. Get comfy in your pajamas and participate in this celebration of reading featuring:

- ★ Tony Toledo, local storyteller
- ★ staff and student readers reading silly, bedtime and scary stories

Picture Day
Thursday, October 25

Forms will be distributed soon. The pictures arrive about 3 weeks later. If you are not satisfied with your prints or missed school, picture retake day is November 30.

Election Day
***& Friends of Baldwin* Fundraiser**
November 6
The Baldwin School is a polling location for community, state and nationwide elections. Starting bright and early at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 6, our parents will be hosting a food sale fundraiser outside of the polling area (gymnasium, basement level). Please be on the lookout for information about how you can help on election day with the food sale. All proceeds of the food sale go to the *Friends of Baldwin*.

Scholastic Book Fair
November 13 - 15

Parents, we need your help! If you have time to set up (Friday, November 9) or break down (Friday, November 16 morning), our would like to help staff the fair, please let Karin or Susan know.

Thank you!

Thank you to *Danielle Jankovich* who volunteered to be the Discount Card Coordinator.

Thank you to *Eta Tsegaye*. The return of the Friday afternoon bread sales was well received. Look for Eta on Friday afternoons in the Sacramento Street hallway for some great Iggy's Bread.

Thank you to the parents who signed up to help organize the Election Day food sale. Be on the lookout for more information on the sale. We need many families to help, bake or cook.

Baldwin School
Community Card
Good for you, good for the school!
Get discounts at local businesses and support school enrichment activities. For the second year, *Friends of Baldwin* is selling the Baldwin Community Card. This card is a great way to enjoy the best Cambridge has to offer along with special deals. Treat yourself to discounts on pizza, baked goods, coffee, art supplies, toys, theater, and more.
Best of all, the proceeds support class field trips, visiting performers, books and supplies for classrooms and events, along with many other projects.
Buy cards for yourself and your family members and sell cards to friends, co-workers and relatives. The cards make great gifts, too.

Construction in the School Neighborhood
Weather permitting, the City's contractor, DeFelice Corporation, will begin construction to modify the raised intersection at Oxford and Wendell streets.
About This Project
The goal of these improvements is to enhance the visibility of the crosswalk. The contractor will remove the existing outside 8' of pavers on each approach, and will replace those pavers with asphalt and a marked crosswalk.
The raised intersection at Oxford and Garfield streets will be similarly reconstructed in spring 2013 as part of street and sidewalk restoration associated with the ongoing Forest Street Improvements contract.
Construction Schedule
This work will take approximately 2 weeks to complete. General work hours will be 7AM to 4 PM, Monday- Friday.

Traffic and Parking Impacts
During construction, the contractor will maintain alternating traffic on Oxford Street and will accommodate school buses.
Traffic and "No Parking" signs will be posted at least 24 hours in advance of construction; please be sure to check posted signs for exact dates and times.

COMING UP IN THE DISTRICT ...
Kindergarten Information Sessions
For children Entering Kindergarten September 2013
Wednesday, November 7
6:30 - 8;00 p.m. at the Peabody School
Saturday, November 17
10:00 - 11:30 a.m. at the Kennedy Longfellow School

Do you have a child that will be ready for Kindergarten for the 2013-2014 school year?
Any child who will be four years old on or before March 31, 2013 is eligible to enter kindergarten in September 2013. Please contact me and I will be sure that you get the Kindergarten registration packet. Thank you! Susan Tiersch, 617-349-4377 or stiersch@cpsd.us.

Healthy Children Task Force School Food Service Advisory
First meeting of the year: ***Tuesday, October 16***
6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Tobin School, Vassal Lane.
The School Food Service Advisory Group's goal is to improve the nutritional quality and the appeal of school food for students. The Cambridge Public School's Director of Food Services meets with interested individuals, including parents, guardians and school employees to hear concerns and develop strategies for improvement. Working collaboratively with the school department, the Healthy Children Task Force facilitates these meetings.
To be added to the email list for the group, please con- tact José Wendel at jwendel@challiance.org

Upcoming Events

October 17, Wednesday	Early Release Day School dismissed at 12:55 p.m.
October 18, Thursday	Meeting to plan Election Day Food Sale 8:45 a.m., 1st floor conference room
October 19, Friday	Walk/Ride Day
October 24, Wednesday	Baldwin Spirit Day - Pajama Day!
October 24, Wednesday	All-School Morning Meeting 9:00 - 9:30
October 24, Wednesday	Pajama Reading Night 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
October 25, Thursday	Picture Day
October 26, Friday	NO SCHOOL - Eid Al Adha Holiday
November 5, Monday	Parent Workshop on Responsive Classroom

	8:45 - 9:30 a.m., Library
November 6, Tuesday	Election Day, *Friends of Baldwin* Fundraiser
November 8, Thursday	Early Release Day School dismissed at 12:55 p.m.
November 12, Monday	NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day
November 13 - 16	Baldwin Book Fair
November 14, Wednesday	Parent Conferences
November 19, Monday	Parent Workshop on Responsive Classroom 8:45 - 9:30 a.m., Library
November 21, Wednesday	Early Release Day School dismissed at 12:55 p.m.
November 22 and 23	Thanksgiving Day Holiday
November 30, Friday	Picture Re-take Day
November 30, Friday	All-School Morning Meeting 9:00 - 9:30

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Move for Youth Indoor Baseball Clinic Registration
Saturday, October 13
Tobin School, 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.
Session starts Saturday, October 20 and runs through April 14 and are held at the Tobin School, 197 Vassal Lane
Practices and drills last approximately 90 minutes and are organized by aged group:
Ages 7-9 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
Ages 10-12 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Ages 13-15 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Fee: Cambridge residents $225.

Community Football Day at Harvard Stadium
Saturday, October 13
All Cambridge residents receive free admission to the game and a voucher for lunch.
2:00 p.m. - Community tent opens (where you pick up your tickets)
3:30 p.m. - Game start vs. Bucknell University
RSVP to reserve your tickets by Friday, October 12 by emailing your name, address, and the number of tickets requested by community@harvard.edu or call 617-495-4955.

Community Football Day at Gymnastics Academy of Boston Cambridge
Saturday, October 13
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Gymnastics Academy of Boston Cambridge welcomes all Cambridge residents. This is an opportunity for children of all ages to explore what gymnastics is all about. Kids will enjoy fun-filled, challenging circuits where they can run, jump and flip throughout our gymnasium. Free raffles and refreshments.
128 Smith Place (off Concord Avenue, turn right at Burger King).
www.gymnasticsacademyofboston.com

CitySprouts Festival
Sunday, October 14
Come see what kids learn in their school gardens at the CitySprouts Festival on Sunday October 14th, 12noon to 3pm, hosted by the Kennedy-Longfellow School at 158 Spring Street (a 10 minute walk from the Kendall Square T on the Red Line)
The Festival will feature CitySprouts 2nd annual Iron Chef Dip off sponsored by Chipotle Mexican Grill. CitySprouts middle school summer interns will compete to make the tastiest and healthiest dips from the city's school garden harvest. Dance to the music of Connect 3. Pumpkin decorating, cider pressing, veggie printing and garden games. Come make Stone Soup! Tacos by Chipotle will also be on sale (all proceeds go to CitySprouts).
***** CitySprouts Festival 2013 will be at the Baldwin School.*** Check out this year's event at Kennedy-Longfellow to see what is in store for us next year!

Head of the Charles Regatta
Saturday, October 20 and Sunday, October 21
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday includes collegiate, master, club and championship doubles & singles rowers.
Sunday, includes youth, veteran, master, lightweight and championship events.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection
Saturday, October 20
The City of Cambridge sponsors several Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections each year. The HHW Collections will be held at the parking lot on Field Street at Fern Street by Danehy Park from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lois Lowry at Porter Square Books
Tuesday, October 23
7:00 p.m. - Author Lois Lowry to talk about her latest book, Son. This young adult book thrusts readers once again into the chilling world of the Newbery Medal winning book, The Giver, as well as Gathering Blue and Messenger where a new hero emerges. In this thrilling series finale, the startling and long-awaited conclusion to Lois Lowry's epic tale culminates in a final clash between good and evil.

Book Reading at Citibank in Porter Square
Saturday, October 27
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
A talented group with *Baldwin School ties*! Baldwin School parent Cristi Catt and her daughter, Baldwin School alum Katy Loutzenhiser (sister of Peter), author and illustrator or Solaka, The Girl with the Long Blue Toenails will read their book. This book

was published by Wiggles Press, the publisher is Rochelle Thorpe, Baldwin School parent (mom of Gabe). Also at the event will be Sarah Reidy, author of The Little Plum Tree and Celestine Payne, author of There a Tarantula in My Pajamas.

Boston Book Festival 2012
Saturday, October 27
11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Copley Square
The Boston Book Festival is New England's largest annual literary event. Featuring more than 125 presenters and dozens of sessions for kids and adults, the BBF also boasts a bustling street fair, workshops for aspiring authors, an outdoor music stage, and more! Free.
For event schedule, go to
http://www.bostonbookfest.org/attend/schedule2012

16th Annual Cambridge Family Literacy Fun Day
Saturday, November 3
10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Cambridge City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue
Free event for Cambridge families. Children's activities, free books, face painting and more.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILD

Kidsquash 2012-2013
Kidsquash, a 501c3, nonprofit community-based squash program provides your child a unique coaching opportunity in association with Harvard University to play and learn squash. Available to children ages 8 to 17.
The 2012-13 Kidsquash schedule is available online at http://www.kidsquash.org/calendar.html.
Upcoming sessions:
Oct - Dec 2012 - $99
Jan - Mar 2012 -$149
If you chose to register for both sessions - $199
Please visit www.kidsquash.org to register online.

Are You Looking for a High-Achieving, Local Student To Tutor Your Child?
Check out ***Aristotle Peers***.
Founded in 2004, Aristotle Peers is a network of top high school and college students who maintain exemplary academic records and receive rigorous training to provide 1:1 tutoring services for students in K-12 academic subjects and study skills.

Tutors are supported by their Aristotle Peers Regional Education Advisor (or "REA"), who is responsible for making all tutor placements and serving as a resource for tutors. The goal of the program is to provide not only academic tutors but also role models who share similar interests with the students.

Aristotle Peers tutoring specifics:
✦1:1 tutoring in any K-12 academic subject (math, reading, science, social
✦studies, history, English, AP courses) and on college essays
✦PSAT/SAT prep
✦Tutors are role models who come to you!
✦Rigorous screening and training program
✦Homework coaching and study skills support
✦Affordably priced
✦Share packages with siblings
✦Full refunds for unused time

Rates & Sign-Up
Tutoring rates start at $40 per hour, but do not exceed $45 per hour for private, in-home tutoring sessions (1:1). To schedule a tutor, please visit http://peers.aristotlecircle.com and complete the "Need a Tutor" registration on our homepage. It takes only a minute, and there is no payment required. Linda Rabieh, our Cambridge regional education advisor (REA) will then contact you about the right tutor for your child. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Linda directly!
Linda Rabieh
Aristotle Peers Regional Education Advisor
Linda@peer2peertutors.com
www.peer2peertutors.com

2012 Cambridge Flu Clinic Schedule
Adults and children (age 6 months or older) will be seen at these clinics. FluMist will be available for children.

Wednesday, October 17
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Peabody School, 70 Rindge Avenue

Wednesday, October 24
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Corcoran Park, 1 Corcoran Lane

Thursday, November 1
6:00 -8:00 p.m.
Fresh Pond Apartments, 364 Rindge Avenue

Wednesday, November 7
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
King Open School, 850 Cambridge Street

Wednesday, November 14
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Pisani Center, 131 Washington Street

MCAS Student Reports mailed via U.S. Post on Friday, October 12.