

Broadwater Bulletin

May 2014

Principal - Joe M. Halligan

EVENTS IN MAY

- 1 - 1st Grade to Moss Mansion
- 2 - No School for Students
- 5 - Talent Show (7:00 PM in the Broadwater gym)
- 6 - Kindergarten to the Library
- 9 - Midterms go home (4th/5th)
- 12-16 - Walk/Bike to School
- 14 - Sodexo BBQ at lunchtime
800 Championships (10:30)
Band/Orchestra Concert (2:30)
Bike Trailer (3:00 - 5:00 PM)
- 15 - 5th Grade Lewis and Clark
1st Grade to the Zoo (9:30)
- 16 - Bike/Walk Assembly (1:30)
Kickoff to Krazy (5:00 - 8:00)
- 19 - Music Programs in the gym:
4th Grade: 10:15 AM
1st Grade: 1:30 PM
5th Grade: 2:30 PM
- 20 - Supaman Assembly (8:45)
Book Fair (8:00 AM - 7:30 PM)
- 21 - 5th Grade Downtown Trip
Music Programs in the gym:
2nd Grade: 10:15 AM
3rd Grade: 1:30 PM
Book Fair (8:00 AM - 12:00 PM)
- 22 - Miss Gratwohl's Zoo Trip
- 23 - Field Day at Terry Park
- 26 - Memorial Day - No School
- 27 - Mrs. Hogan to Terry Park
- 28 - 3rd Grade to Lake Elmo
- 29 - 2nd Grade Zoo Trip
5th Grade Tie-Dye Day
- 30 - Robson/Steier to Terry Park

EVENTS IN JUNE

- 2 - 5th Grade Graduation - 1:30 PM
- 3 - BUG/HR Assembly - 8:45
1st Grade to Terry Park
2nd Grade to Pioneer Park
- 4 - 5th Grade to Pioneer Park
4th Grade to Skate World West
- 5 - **Last Day of School for Kids**
Kindergarten Graduation - 12:30
5th Grade to Geyser Park
Report Cards go home with kids

PRINCIPAL'S PEN

I cannot believe that I am once again, already, writing the final Broadwater Bulletin of the school year! It has been an exciting year, climaxed by the passage of the fall bond issue, and the planning of our new school opening in the fall of 2015. This is an exciting time for Broadwater School, and the wonderful teachers and staff that lead our learning community.

Monday, May 5th marks the beginning of Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week - 2014, and we will be celebrating our wonderful teaching staff all week.

Thank you to all of the dedicated staff who contribute to make this school the best in Billings!

YMCA PRINCIPAL'S LEADERSHIP AWARD

Broadwater School is proud to recognize 5th grader, Elijah Montiel as this year's recipient of the YMCA Principal's Leadership Award. Elijah is a leader among his peers in 5th grade, and has been a positive citizen at Broadwater, for many years. He demonstrates every day what it means to be a successful student at our school. His 5th grade

TEACHERS:

Kindergarten - Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Elenbaas, Mrs. Robson
1st Grade - Mrs. King, Mrs. Mehling, Mrs. Romei, Miss Stanaway
2nd Grade - Miss Barker, Mrs. Gransberg, Mrs. Rott
3rd Grade - Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Reichenbach
4th Grade - Mrs. Ashmore, Mrs. Brown
5th Grade - Miss Brinkman, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Steier

SPECIALISTS:

Resource Room - Miss Gratwohl, **Library** - Mrs. Evans, **Health/PE** - Mr. King, **Title I** - Ms. Hippler, **Speech** - Mrs. Hogan, **Counselor** - Mrs. Klaboe, **Psychologist** - Mr. Bartsch, **General Music** - Ms. Grass, **Band** - Mrs. Maurer, **Orchestra** - Mrs. Wells, **Art** - Mrs. Becker and Miss Heidner, **Extended Studies** - Mrs. Williams

SUPPORT STAFF:

Family Resource Center/IPP - Mrs. Alpers, **Instructional Paraprofessionals** - Mrs. Cockburn, Mrs. Hoenke and Mrs. France, **Custodial Staff** - Mr. Rathie and Mrs. Holzworth, **General Duty Aides** - Mr. Bonner, Mrs. Rolandson and Mr. Clark, **Lunchroom Servers** - Mrs. Slevira, Mrs. Persinger and Mrs. Scyphers, **Secretary** - Mrs. Kramer, **Nursing Staff** - Mrs. Archilla, Mrs. Canon, Mrs. Evenson, Mrs. Davis

teachers, Mr. Steier, Mrs. Cline and Miss Brinkman decided unanimously that Elijah should receive this award for the 2013-2014 school year. On April 30th, Elijah attended a luncheon at the YMCA in his honor, and was accompanied by Mr. Halligan and his parents, Frank and Jennifer Montiel. Way to go, Elijah! We are all very proud of you!



Principal's Award recipient, Elijah Montiel, enjoys the reception at the YMCA on Wednesday, April 30th with Mr. Halligan

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Mrs. Klabeo, our school Counselor, is at school every day to help students and families in need. Please call her if you would like to schedule a time to visit! 281.6426

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

THE IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP

Just how important is a good nights sleep?

It's very important according to the National Sleep Foundation (NSF). Sleep is vital to children's health and growth. Sleep promotes alertness, memory and performance. Children who get enough sleep are more likely to function better and are less prone to behavior problems and moodiness.

Each child is different, and has different sleep needs. However, the NSF strongly recommends that children aged 5-12 years get 10 to 11 hours of sleep per night. Statistics also show that poor or inadequate sleep can result in mood swings and behavioral problems such as hyperactivity. It can also lead to cognitive problems that can impede learning.

Children who get less sleep at night also tend to have more difficulty

falling asleep. This causes them to be overtired during the day. According to the NSF, nearly 69% of children under the age of 10 have some type of sleep problem. The following are some examples of sleep related problems:

Insomnia - difficulty falling asleep

Nightmares - frightening dreams that occur during REM sleep which awaken the child

Restless Leg Syndrome - movement disorder making it difficult to sleep

Sleepwalking - walking while sleeping

Sleep talking - occurs when a child laughs, talks or cries out during sleep

Sleep terrors - child may scream out during sleep

Snoring - partial blockage in the airway

Sleep apnea - snoring loudly and possible difficulty breathing

What can caregivers do to help?

- Establish a regular bedtime and wake up time.
- Create a bedtime routine
- Avoid caffeine before bedtime
- Make bedtime a positive and relaxing experience without TV or other electronics

The sleep habits of children have a direct impact on their caregivers. Establishing a bedtime routine will prove helpful to all in your household. A set bedtime schedule will reduce stress in you and your child, and make bedtime a beautiful thing!



Out of Area Requests for Next School Year

If you are currently living out of our school's boundary area, this is a reminder that all out of area students need to have an Out of Area form completed for each school year. A letter was sent out the first week of May informing parents to contact their home school, if applicable. Forms for the

2014 - 2015 school year can be filled out at the end of this school year, and will be kept on file until the fall. Approval will take place approximately two weeks before school starts. Because of our diverse and fluctuating population, all out of area decisions are based

on class size, history of discipline issues and attendance and tardies each year. Call the office, at 281.6207, if you are unsure of the boundary lines. You may also use the district website to verify your home school address.

May I Make a Teacher Request for 2014-2015?

The teachers and staff at Broadwater School are among the most qualified and highly professional people with whom I have worked. All of our teachers possess a multitude of strengths, and care a great deal about each child placed in their care. Placement decisions for your child are carefully considered every year. I personally meet with each grade level to discuss your

child's future classroom placement - determining their teacher next year is not a random decision. Peer relationships, number of boys and girls, learning styles, educational needs, student/teacher personalities and parental relations are all taken into consideration when making student placements. Bottom line, I ask that you trust our decisions. Should you have a concern that I

need to know about, please submit it to me, in writing, no later than May 16th. There are no guarantees. All schools reserve the right to place students accordingly. Please know that it is impossible to grant all wishes. Adapting to change is part of the growing process for all children. Thank you for helping us through this process.

Mr. Halligan - Principal



KICKOFF TO KRAZY CARNIVAL!



Of course we know that the title is misspelled! That is part of the fun! This year's PTA and Carnival Committee

have put together a plan for the best end of school celebration this school has seen in 105 years! Come join us on May 16th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM for Broadwater Elementary's 2014 spring carnival! The evening will certainly be filled with fun for everyone. There will be music, a large inflatable obstacle course from Big Sky Inflatables and free games for everyone. Back by popular demand this year is Mr. Steier's infamous bounty hunter game! Party Pig Catering will be barbecuing your choice of hamburger or hotdog. Each comes with a drink, chips and a cookie for only \$3 a meal! Making their first ever appearance at a Broadwater event is the

ABC Band, a local band that specializes in kid/family style rock n' roll! The party is on rain or shine so please come enjoy this FUN-raiser brought to you by the Broadwater PTA. We look forward to seeing you there!!

As always, we are always looking for help with all school events! If you would like to serve our school in some capacity, please let us know, and we will get you rolling - there's always room for more parents!

Broadwater PTA and Carnival Planning Committee

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Thank you to all of the students and families who have supported our Box Tops program. Students who turn in Box Tops receive books that have been donated to our school. As a school this year, we have collected about \$1200 worth of Box Tops! That money is used for a variety of things throughout the school year, and helps to pay for things like student supplies, clothing needs, class field trips and testing snacks. Mrs. Alpers will be sending home one more round of Box Tops charts, so be on the lookout! This will be our last collection of the school year.

BROADWATER FIELD DAY

The Broadwater School Field Day will take place on Friday, May 23rd at Terry Park. Kindergarten - 2nd grade will participate in the morning from 8:45 to 11:10 and 3rd - 5th grades will be in the afternoon from 12:30 to 2:20. As always, students who have not demonstrated appropriate school and classroom behaviors will not be permitted to participate. Please make sure your child has adequate attire for the weather that day, tennis shoes and a water bottle. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend this event!

5TH GRADE TO LEWIS AND CLARK

On Thursday, May 15th, the 5th graders will be walking to Lewis and Clark Middle School to visit the school for an orientation session. Students will spend about an hour at Lewis with students from the Student Council. While there, they will tour the building, checking out classrooms, commons area and the gym. Students will be able to ask questions, and become more familiar with the school before making the transition in August. **Parent Open House will be that same night at 7:00 PM.**

Please Return this Bottom Portion to the School!

It is critical that you, as parents and family members, keep the school up to date on your most recent contact information. In the event of an emergency, we need to be able to contact you as quickly as possible. If you have recently moved, or changed phone numbers, please complete the form below and send back to school with your child(ren).

Student Name _____

Classroom Teacher _____

Parent Name _____

New Address _____

New Phone Number(s) _____

Please indicate: Mother Father

INFORMATION SCHOOL NEEDS TO BE AWARE OF:
