

Charter Chatter

Briar Meadow BRONCOS Newsletter

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Raffle Tickets

Briar Meadow students have been working overtime selling RAFFLE TICKETS for our PTO fundraiser. Parents please assist us in this endeavor. The money raised pays for our field trips. Each grade level is expected to take two field trips a year and the middle school students go to Austin, San Antonio and Washington D.C. The PTO pays for a portion of the D.C. trip.

The winning ticket wins a 42" Plasma HDTV, so get out there and help your child sell those tickets. And thanks to the parents who have already sold 4 or 5 booklets.

Raffle Tickets sales have been extended until Monday, APRIL 13th

Science Night

Parents and students thank you for attending our Science Exploration Night. We had many opportunities to explore and investigate. A great big thank you to Ms. Carlson, the teachers and all the students who participated!

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Spring Testing Schedule

TAKS Math (5 th & 8 th)	April 7th
TAKS Math (3 rd , 4 th , 6 th , & 7 th)	April 28th
TAKS Reading (4 th , 6 th , & 7 th)	April 29th
RETEST Reading 3 rd , 5 th & 8 th	April 29th
TAKS Science (5 th & 8 th)	April 30th
TAKS Social Studies (8 th)	May 1st
RETEST Math 5 th & 8 th	May 19th

The Student Success Initiative grades are 3rd, 5th, and 8th. These grade levels are given three opportunities to test in TAKS Reading and TAKS Math (5th & 8th only). The third retest is taken in summer school for grades 3rd, 5th and 8th.

Briar Meadow students are well prepared for their TAKS Tests and they have already stated that they will be rated **Exemplary** in both elementary and middle.

Name That Book

Name That Book, a UIL Competition is tomorrow, Thursday, March 12th for our elementary school team. We have 13 students prepared to bring home the trophies!

Ms. Smith and the boys and girls have been working after school and during their lunch time to prepare for the competition. We wish them luck! The students who are on the team are: Christian Olvera, Devin Thomas, Frida Cuellar, Johnathan Terry, Andy Abbas, Indullah Waseem, Kenia Ocampo, Cameron Kimmel, Nathan Santos, Sophia Pearson, Ananda Dimock, Korey Halliburton, and Jazmine Dozier.

Important Numbers

Phone (713) 458-5500 Fax (713) 458-5506

March Calendar

- 23th Return to School 7:15 a.m.**
- 25th Grade Chair/Department Chair**
- 26th SDMC Meeting**
- 27th Talent Show Practice**

Spring Break
School Holiday
Monday, March 16th
Through Friday, March 20th
Return to School on March 23rd!

Cheeseburgers & Paradise

April 18th, will be our *groovy, hanging ten, Spring Auction* at Beck's Prime in Memorial Park. Tickets include your meal and drinks and who knows, you may even win the flat screen television in the raffle or receive the winning bid on a vacation home. Put on that Hawaiian shirt and relax with us at Beck's Prime.

It would be wonderful to have everyone come out and enjoy the party. Please remember without your help we can not be the school you expect us to be. It takes all of the parents teachers and staff pulling together to make Briar Meadow a School of Choice!

BCS Teams NET FOUR PLACE WINS

BCS Teams NET FOUR PLACE WINS IN CHESS EVENT HOSTED AT HOME- 34 Individual players and Divisional Chess Teams from BCS participated in the Texas Chess Assn. Region V Scholastic Tourney. The school became host to the event by invitation when the scheduled location (Houston Community College- Downtown) had a last minute conflict. Many ,many, thanks Mr. Heinze , Mr Diaz, and the parents and teacher volunteers who stepped forward on short notice to help make the event organized and successful.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RESULTS

OPEN DIVISION/ THIRD PLACE TEAM:

Darryl Beronque{2.5}, Dayne Beronque {2.0}, Gio Dagher{1.0}, and Eduardo Vela{0.5}. Their combined scores resulted in a place win against highly experienced teams such as TH Rogers , Pershing, Cy Fair, and League City. Under- 800 DIVISION/ TEAM also managed a third place win. The four top scoring players in that division were Oliver Dagher {4.0}, Jose Alfaro {3.0}, Eduardo Bustamante{3.0}, and Zaid Waseem{2.5}.

THE FOLLOWING Middle School Students also had positive scores resulting in place wins individually: Oliver Dagher 4.0, Jose Alfaro 3.0, Eduardo Bustamante 3.0.

SUPPORTING PLAYERS IN MS DIVISIONS

INCLUDED: Salvador Duque, Rodrigo Hercules, Delfino Santizo, Cesar De Casas, Jesus Martinez, Johnathan Pullen, Ariane Al-Massi, and Alex DiMatteo. Great Job, Middle School!

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RESULTS

3 BCS Players in separate elementary (4th and 5th grades) divisions managed a great showing .

Open Dynn Beronque,{3.0} 5th place individual win, Viola Dagher {2.0}.

ELEMENTARY UNDER-400: Indullah Waseem,{3.0} a 6th place individual win also. There were no BCS teams in EITHER division.

Primary School Divisions included:

Primary U-400 Team won third place also. Top scoring students were: Danush Tumu {3.0}, Nitin Valiseti {3.0}, Jash Patel {2.5}, and Danushri

Upcoming Chess Event:

April 22-24 All Girl's Scholastic Nationals in Dallas, Texas

Thank you for being an important member of the Briar Meadow family.

Your Leadership Team:

Ms. Alcaraz, Ms. Brown, Ms. Hassan, Mr. Heinze, Mr. Lewis, Ms. Rayo and Ms. Woodfork.