

Charter Chatter

Briar Meadow BRONCOS Newsletter

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Awards Ceremony for 2009

The school year rapidly coming to an end and we are making preparations to celebrate the success of our students. Each grade level will have an awards ceremony and parents, family and friends are invited to Briar Meadow share in the achievements of all students. The schedule for the ceremonies is listed below.

Grade	Date	Time
Pre-Kindergarten	Friday, May 22 nd	9:00 – 11:00
Kindergarten	Thursday, May 21 st	9:00 – 10:00
1 st /2 nd	Thursday, May 21 st	1:00 – 2:00
3 rd /4 th	Thursday, May 21 st	10:00 – 11:00
5 th /6 th	Wednesday, May 20 th	10:00 – 11:00
7 th	Thursday, May 21 st	12 noon
8 th	Friday, May 15 th	6:00

Please make arrangements to attend these special ceremonies. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Important Numbers

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ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!!

**PTO GENERAL MEETING
TONIGHT @ 6:00. PLEASE COME
OUT AND SUPPORT AS YOUR
ATTENDANCE IS GREATLY
APPRECIATED! SEE YOU
TONIGHT.**

PTO Garage SALE!!

Don't forget to come and SHOP at the PTO General Meeting on May 6th! We have cleaned out the PTO room and will be holding a garage sale in the school lobby at 5:30 (prior to the General Meeting). You can score some great deals on extra event t-shirts, school pennants & bracelets, gift bags, and other miscellaneous items no longer needed by the PTO!

Barnes & Noble Fundraiser

Join us at Barnes & Noble (7626 Westheimer) on Saturday, May 16th any time between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm! The school will receive a percentage of proceeds from any books purchased by Briar Meadow families during this event. Come stock up on books for summer reading or any gifts you may need (dads, grads, weddings, or birthdays) and help us earn money for the school! Check next week's Charter Chatter for a schedule of events including book readings from the school faculty!!

LIBRARY NEWS!!

Briarmeadow Book Exchange

Need some books for the summer?
There is a way!

May 18th-22nd.

Bring the books you no longer read. A volunteer will record the number of books you brought.

May 26th and 27th

Pick up the same number of books you want to take home.

Why should you do this?

1. It cleans your house.
2. You get some good stuff to read.
3. If you keep reading, you just get smarter.

Summer Reading with Barnes and Noble

Barnes and Noble is giving you a FREE book.

1. You must be between 1st and 6th grade
2. You must fill out the Barnes and Noble Book form. (Available in the library or from you teacher after May 13th.)
3. You must return the form to the Westheimer Barnes and Noble to get the FREE book.

What a deal!

May Calendar of Events

6th	PTO General Meeting
6th-10th	8th Grade Trip to Washington D. C.
8th	7th Grade Trip to San Antonio
11th	KEGG Candies Trip
12th	BCS Idol Program 6 p.m.
14th	Pre-Kindergarten Field Day
15th	Kindergarten – 5th Grade Field Day
15th	6th Grade Trip to Austin
28th	Last Day of School

SWINE FLU UPDATE

HISD is working very closely with the City of Houston and Harris County Health Officials and with state and federal government and medical authorities. School are reporting all cases of flu-like symptoms to the HISD Department of Health and Medical Services. The information is being shared with health authorities and, if needed, to the federal Centers for Disease Control. If it is determined that any other HISD student or staff member as contacted the flu, HISD will notify the public immediately. Parents you are advised to bring your child(ren) to school unless they are sick. City of Houston Health Department authorities will notify the district if any of our schools need to be closed.

Attention Briarmeadow Families

WHAM Ministries offers assistance to residents living in the 77063 and 77057 zip codes. There is an urgent need for donations at their local food pantry. Beginning May 4, 2009 through May 20, 2009 Briarmeadow Charter School will accept donations of non-perishable food items and cash. Cash will be used for rent assistance, and to purchase food items that the pantry currently has a low supply of. Please place all food donations in the box in the lobby. Cash donations should be given at the front desk in a sealed envelope marked WHAM.

Each child donating will be permitted to participate in a day of wearing shades and a hat to school!

RAFFLE WINNERS!

Congratulations to all of our winners, way to go!

Television: Jackie Williams
Lap Top: Sharon Freytag
iPod: Lillian Pib

Top Seller:
 Valerie Hilliard - \$75 Gift Certificate

Top Selling Elementary Class
 Ms. Jansen - Moonwalk and Snow Cone Party

Top Selling Middle
 Mr. White - Chick-fil-a Lunch Party

Thanks for a job well done!

Safety Above All Else

The core value of the Houston Independent School is, **SAFETY ABOVE ALL ELSE!** To that end, we make every effort to ensure that your child(ren) is/are are kept safe while at school. Please remember that students are not to be dropped off before 7:15. Supervision for you child is not provided before 7:15. Thank you for your understanding and for working with us to keep your child(ren) safe!