Comming Up

**Wednesday, April 26**
PTA Board Meeting
6:30 - 8 p.m.

**Monday, May 1**
Re-Enrollment packets due for all new and returning students

**PARCC Testing, Monday, May 1 - Friday, May 12**
4th & 5th May 1 - May 5
3rd May 8 - May 12
Students who test in small groups may have slightly different schedules. **Please note: On-time arrival critical during PARCC testing.**

**Wednesday, May 3**
PTA General Meeting
6:30 - 8
ASL Interpreters Provided

**Monday, May 1 - May 5**
Staff Appreciation Week

**Wednesday, May 10**
Spring Concert ECE - 1st
6 - 7 p.m.
Performers arrival: 5:30 p.m.
ASL Interpreters Provided

**Thursday, May 11**
Spring Concert 2nd - 5th
6 - 7 p.m.
Performers arrival: 5:30 p.m.
ASL Interpreters Provided

**Enrollment Forms Due May 1!**
Please complete and return the enrollment form sent home in a bright green folder at the beginning of April. Brent needs all returning families to complete these forms and present residency verification documents. The front office will be reaching out to families who do not complete the re-enrollment process by May 1 via phone calls, emails and potentially home visits. So please get those forms in this week. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Diggs at denise.diggs@dc.gov.

**Photos: MPD Officer Jermone and MPD Officer Douglas visit Ms. Sprague after receiving a persuasive letter written by Christopher P! It was a very memorable visit!**

**PARCC Testing May 1 – May 12**
3rd, 4th, and 5th graders at Brent will participate in PARCC testing during the first two weeks of May. PARCC is the statewide assessment that is used to measure student-, school-, and system-level progress. 4th and 5th graders test first, beginning on Monday, May 1st and ending Friday, May 5th. 3rd graders test second, beginning Monday, May 8th and
ending Friday, May 12th. (Note: Students who test in small groups may have slightly different schedules.) Testing takes place in the morning and is generally concluded by lunchtime each day.

We are asking that 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade families support this process in two main ways: First, please help your child to feel calm and well-rested by making sure that they have had plenty of sleep. Second, please be sure to arrive at school on time. Students who arrive after administration has begun will not be permitted to join their classes and will have to make up their tests. Since testing starts right away in the morning, it is best that everyone be present at the start of the day.

Questions can be directed to Sara Ewbank, Test Coordinator, at sara.ewbank@dc.gov.

**Book Fair This Week**
The Buy-One-Get-One-Free Book Fair is in full swing. Please check out the selection of books and take advantage of the sale to stock up on reading material.

The fair is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 to 8:30 am, and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:15 pm, and on Wednesday afternoon from 3:15 to 6:30 pm. Please note that there will be no opportunity to shop on Friday afternoon.

If you can help with clean-up on April 28 right after school please contact Ms. Bettina in the library or by e-mail at bettina.schewe@dc.gov.

**Save the Date - Math and Science Day is Friday, June 9th**
Calling all math and science lovers! Brent’s first Math and Science Day will be held on the morning of Friday, June 9th. We are looking for parents who work and/or have interest in math and science including computers, engineering, architecture, medicine, forensics, food, exercise and behavioral science, and more to lead an activity and share about your work to small groups of students (supported by another adult). Interested in participating? Contact Whitney Paxson, Brent’s Instructional Coach for Math, at whitney.paxson@dc.gov. Want to participate but not sure what to do? Be in touch - we can help design an activity!

**Ms. Hannigan’s Kinder Guppy Market Open for Business**
The week before spring break Ms. Hannigan’s class opened its Kinder Guppy Market for parents to go shopping. The class had stocked their market with goods that they made out of clay and advertised their wares with handmade signs. The market was fully stocked with a variety of fruits, vegetables, meat, fish and bread. See photos.

**Music Notes by Mr. Krohn**
The Spring Concerts will be on May 10 for our ECE-1st grade musicians and on May 11 for our 2nd-5th grade musicians. Both concerts will start promptly at 6 PM and students are asked to arrive at 5:30 PM on their respective evenings in concert white/black.

This year Brent musicians have been invited to perform in the DC Music Festival held at The Kennedy Center. I am looking for 3rd-5th grade singers who are interested in learning some fun and challenging music to perform on The Millennium Stage at The Kennedy Center on May 17. Rehearsals will be from 8:00 - 8:35 AM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays and they will start on April 25. If your 3rd-5th grade student is interested in singing for this event AND can attend the morning rehearsals please email me as soon as possible.

The Talent Shows are coming up in June and I am looking for talented KG-5th grade students that want to show off their skills! This year there will be two performances. One performance will be on June 6 for our 3rd-5th grade participants and the other performance will be on June 7 for our KG - 2nd grade participants. Registration forms will be available starting in May.