



Wednesday Parent Newsletter

The Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School

201 Main Street, Franklin, MA 02038

Pink Sheet for Wednesday October 21, 2009

COUNTDOWN TO THE PAPERLESS PINK SHEET!

Only 8 paper editions left!

There will be no Pink Sheet 11/25; the *last paper edition* comes out 12/23/09

Events By Date:

W 10/21 today! NOON DISMISSAL

W 10/21 7pm Bd Mission Committee mtg, library

Th 10/22 Heifer Service Project Assembly Kick-off 1:20-2:10 K-4, 2:10-3:00 5-8

F 10/23 Gr 2 field trip

F 10/23 5-8 Mid Term Reports go home

F 10/23 9:20 Assembly Gr 3&4, 3U presents

F 10/23 6-8:30pm PCO's Family Social Haunted Hop at Tri County High School

M 10/26 Spiritwear orders due (optional participation)

W 10/28 Gr 3 field trip

W 10/28 7pm PAC meeting, library see flyer attached

F 10/30 Assembly PCO present Geography Show (time details on calendar)

F 10/30 November S&S goes home

T 11/3 9am Board President meets w/HOS, HOS office

T 11/3 Gr 7/8 Parent/Teacher Conferences

W 11/4 8am Bd Finance Committee mtg, HOS office

Th 11/5 NOON DISMISSAL Parent/Teacher Conferences in p.m.

F 11/6 NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conferences all day

W 11/18 ERB (Educational Records Bureau www.erbtest.org) **writing assessment tests 4-8**

Th 11/19 ERB tests wrap up

Notices:

- **HAUNTED HOP!** This is your LAST chance for a frightfully good time at our school-wide social! PLEASE send in your RSVPs ASAP! It's at Tri-County Vocational High School THIS Friday from 6:00-8:30pm. Although costumes are not required there will be costume contests, as well as a pumpkin carving contest!
- The **1st BFCCPS Chess Open is this Saturday 10/24**, cafeteria & auditorium. This is a great tournament for all ages & all levels. There are rated & unrated sections. Snacks will be available for purchase, 8th grader Patrick Peterson's capstone project. (see below). Hope to see you there!
- **Grade 2 Community Service Project** \$5.00 gift cards October 1 – November 5 Deliver to Grade 2 in rooms 2 & 3. Please join us in supporting the Franklin Senior Center's needy family project by providing gift cards from grocery stores & pharmacies in the amount of \$5.00. The purpose of the drive is to support those families living on a limited or fixed income, to help provide a better quality of life. We thank you for your generous support, joining with our second graders, & for supporting the virtue of Justice by providing service to those in need.
- **The BFCCPS Board of Trustees Mission Committee** seeks interested people to help support & promote the four pillars of BFCCPS within our school community. Join us at our **1st meeting tonight, Wed 10/21, 7pm** in the school library to discuss the objectives & projects of the mission committee for this school year. Please contact the committee chair Gail Trotin at gtrotin@bfccps.org if you are interested or have any questions. Thank You!
- **Spiritwear is here!** Order forms are available on the school website. Check out the new options for fall. Please contact Stacey Flaherty@comcast.net or 508-541-1031 with questions. Last day to order is Monday 10/26.
- **Box Tops** Now is the time to send in all those Box Tops - by 10/31!
- **Fall Book Fair & Music Recital at Barnes & Noble in Bellingham** is scheduled for one-day only, Friday 11/ 20 with the Music Recital there at 6:00pm that evening.
- **America on the Move Wednesdays we walk/ride to school!** As participants in the *National Safe Routes to School* program, let's get out & walk or ride our bikes to school in an effort to promote physical activity, safe walking skills, reducing traffic & sharing more time with community members, parents, friends, & our schoolchildren.
- **Shop for Charter:** Shop Online for Halloween Savings - so Great It's Scary! Remember the Shop for Charter program when buying your costumes, candy, & decorations online this Halloween. Earn contributions to BFCCPS just by shopping through www.onecause.com. There's no extra cost to you. Sign up & shop today! Thank you for your support!
- **7&8 grade parents:** If you have not already scheduled a parent/teacher conference please contact Heather Zolnowski at hzolnowski@bfccps.org to schedule one.
- **8th Grade Capstone Projects:**
COLE BOOTH & PATRICK MILLER will be **collecting shoes** for donation to a shelter. Please leave your donations in the boxes provided on each floor of the school. Shoes will be collected through 11/2. Thanks!

PATRICK PETERSON is supporting World Vision by providing a snack bar at the BFCCPS Open Chess Tournament on Sat. 10/24 from 9-3pm, auditorium. **Patrick would like donations of baked goods (brownies, cookies, bars), bottled water, orange juice, individual bags of chips** for this cause. Please send in what you are able to school on Friday 10/23, delivered to the kitchen or bring them with you when you attend the tournament. Contact Patrick at k-peterson@comcast.net. Thank you!

Flyer PAC (Parent Advisory Council) meeting RSVP

If you need any part of this document translated please contact the school office.

For more information on any of the above listings visit our website at www.bfccps.org or call the school office at 508-541-3434



2009 - 10 BFCCPS Calendar October / November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18	19	20 Banking Gr 1 field trip 12:30-2pm Gr 7 field trip 10:15-2:45 3:30 Flag Football 7pm Bd Governance Comm mtg, library	21 NOON DISMISSAL Teacher Professional Development in p.m. K field trip 9-11:30 Gr 3 field trip 9:15-11:15 7pm Bd Mission Committee mtg, library	22 Heifer Service Project kick-off assemblies: 1:20-2:10 K-4 2:10-3:00 5-8	23 Gr 2 field trip 5-8 Mid Term grades go home 9:20 Assembly: 3&4, Gr 3 presents 3:30 Flag Football 6-8:30 PCO's Family Social <i>Haunted Hop</i> at Tri County School	24 BFCCPS Chess Open Tournament, auditorium 9-3pm
25	26 Last day to order Spiritwear, see website for form 3:30 Flag Football	27 Banking	28 Gr 3 field trip 9:15-11:15 3:30 Flag Football 7pm PAC meeting, library	29	30 PCO's Geography Show: K-2 9-10:10; 6-8 10:20-11:50; 3-5 12:40-1:40 November Scope & Sequence go home	31
NOV 1	2	3 Banking 9:00 Bd Pres meets with HOS, HOS office	4 8:00 Fin Comm mtg, HOS office <i>Changed date! NOW 11/18 & 11/19! Gds 4-8 ERB test</i> 4:30 Flag Football championship at MA Premier/Mansfield	5 NOON DISMISSAL Parent/Teacher Conferences in p.m. (Babysitting available for K-4th grade ages from 4pm-7pm)	6 NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conferences all day Childcare for gr K-4 students is available	7
8	9	10 Banking	11 NO SCHOOL Veterans Day	12 FOOD DRIVE (info below) 7pm Board mtg, library	13 Gr 1 field trip 9:15-1:45 Assembly 10:20 5-8 7S presents	14

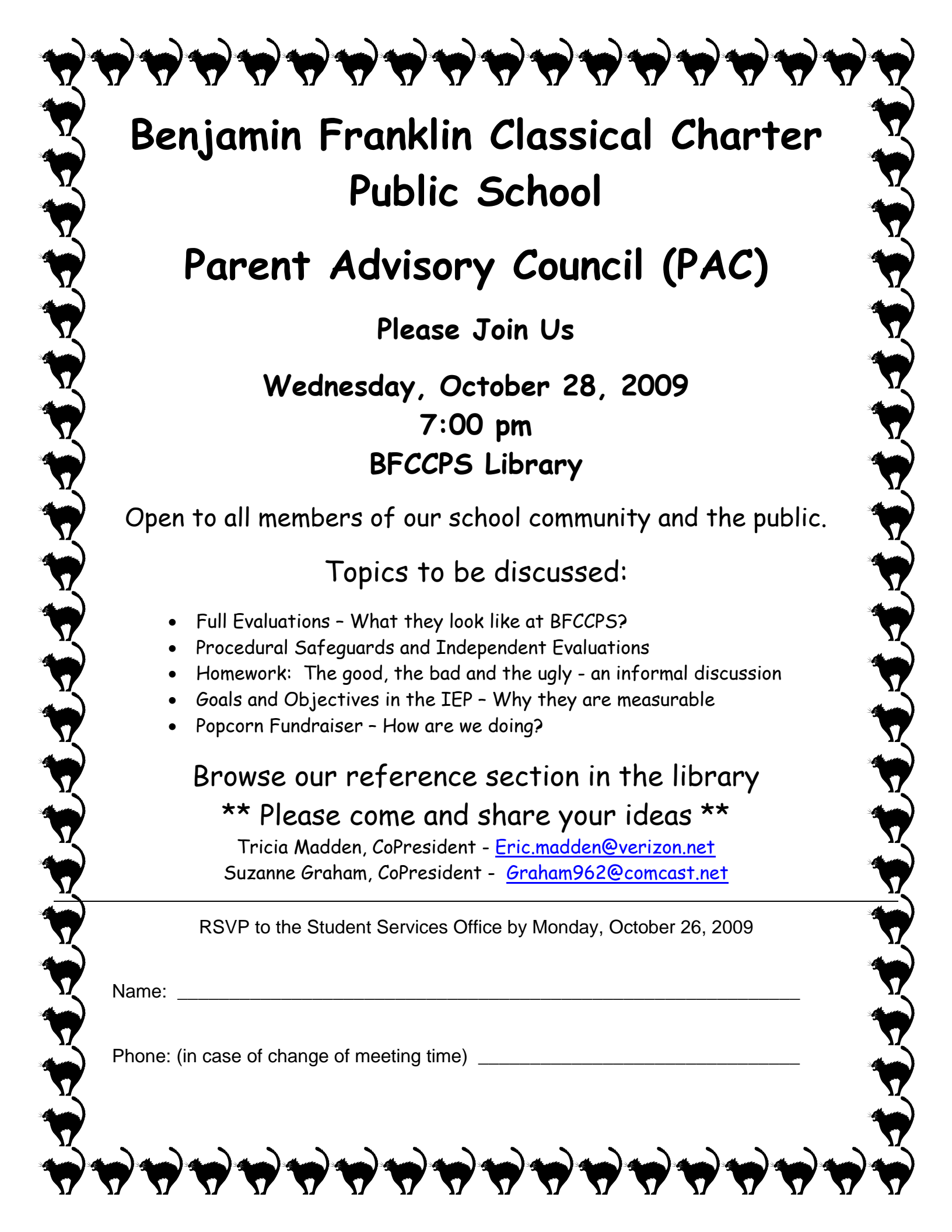
The BFCCPS Food Drive is a whole-school service project spearheaded by parent Lisa Cronin. Items donated go to the Franklin Food Pantry once a month throughout the year. If each family can donate one item per month, it would be very much appreciated by the families & individuals in this community who need assistance with the basic items to live. Kindergarten - toilet paper or facial tissue; 1st - toothpaste or bar soap; 2nd - rice or pasta boxed meals; 3rd - cereal (any type); 4th - cookies or crackers (any type); 5th - canned meals (spaghetti, ravioli, beef or chicken stew); 6th - canned fruits (pineapple or oranges); 7th - canned vegetables; 8th - dish or laundry detergent

Meetings & Assemblies posted are open to all parents/guardians.

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The mission of the Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School is to assist parents in their role as primary educators of their children by providing the children with a classical academic education integrated with sound character development & community service.

The BFCCPS Board invites you to visit the Massachusetts Charter School website at <http://www.masscharterschools.org>



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Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Please Join Us

Wednesday, October 28, 2009

7:00 pm

BFCCPS Library

Open to all members of our school community and the public.

Topics to be discussed:

- Full Evaluations - What they look like at BFCCPS?
- Procedural Safeguards and Independent Evaluations
- Homework: The good, the bad and the ugly - an informal discussion
- Goals and Objectives in the IEP - Why they are measurable
- Popcorn Fundraiser - How are we doing?

Browse our reference section in the library

**** Please come and share your ideas ****

Tricia Madden, CoPresident - Eric.madden@verizon.net

Suzanne Graham, CoPresident - Graham962@comcast.net

RSVP to the Student Services Office by Monday, October 26, 2009

Name: _____

Phone: (in case of change of meeting time) _____