



Wednesday Parent Newsletter

The Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School

201 Main Street, Franklin, MA 02038

Pink Sheet for Wednesday January 6, 2010

Welcome to the Electronic version of the BFCCPS Pink Sheet! The Pink sheet will now be emailed out via our AlertNow email system, and is always available on our website.

Events By Date:

- Th 1/7 3:30-4:30 SSAT Prep
- F 1/8 9:00 6-8 Capstone Presentation assembly
- T 1/12 7:00 Board Governance meeting, library
- W 1/13 4:30-5:30 Basketball at Mass Premier Courts
- W 1/13 7pm PCO meeting, library
- Th 1/14 FOOD DRIVE
- Th 1/14 9-12:30 Grade 2 Field Trip
- Th 1/14 7pm Board meeting, library
- F 1/15 8:30 8th grade Capstone Breakfast
- F 1/15 9:00 6-8 Capstone Presentation assembly
- F 1/15 NOON DISMISSAL: PD Day
- M 1/18 No School, MLK Day
- T 1/19 7pm Mid Winter Concert, aud.
- W 1/20 4:30-5:30 Basketball at Mass Premier Courts
- W 1/20 7pm Bd Mission Committee mtg, library
- Th 1/21 1pm National Spelling Bee, round 1 preliminaries, Grades 4-8
- Th 1/21 7pm Parent Enrichment Evening "Pillars in Action", auditorium
- F 1/22 9:20 Assembly for K-2, Gr 1 presents
- F 1/22 10:10 National Spelling Bee, round 2 preliminaries, Grades 4-8
- W 1/27 4:30 Basketball at Mass Premier Courts
- W 1/27 7:00 PAC meeting, library
- Th 1/28 7:00 Enrollment Information Evening, for new families
- F 1/29 9:20 Assembly 3-4, 4D presents

NOTICES

- **8th Grade Capstone Projects presentations** will begin on 1/8. The following advising groups will present, beginning at 9:00 in the auditorium: Mrs. Ahnert, Mrs. Sarapas, and Mrs. Williamson.
- **8th Grade Capstone Breakfast** for 8th grade students, is scheduled for Friday, 1/15 at 8:30 am. Please make sure that all 8th grade students are in school no later than 8:20. The following Advising Groups will present their Capstone Presentations in the auditorium beginning at 9:00: Coach Burke and Coach Simpson's advising groups as well as any students working with a partner in Coach Burke or Coach Simpson's group.
- **Spelling Bee Enrollment Forms** for 4th -8th grade students are due to homeroom teachers by Thursday, January 14th. The Spelling Bee final competition will be held Friday, January 22nd at 10:20, and is open to the community to attend. Please see attached flyer for more information.
- **Children's book author** Anne Broyles will be presenting an assembly to students in grades K-8 on Friday, February 5, 2010. She will be available to sign copies of her books, *Shy Mama's Halloween* and *Pricilla and the Hollyhocks*. If you would like to pre-order a book for her to sign, please fill out the attached form, and submit it Jean Clark via kid-mail (2T). All order forms must be received no later than Friday, January 15th.
- **Congratulations** to the winners of the PCO Fall Fundraiser raffle! K-2 winner TK Krusz (KT) and 3-5 winner Kristofer Herlitz (4B) both won \$50.00 gift cards to Target, and 6-8 winner, Lilly Bickford (8C) won a \$50.00 gift card to iTunes. Thank you for all who participated in the BFCCPS PCO Fall Fundraiser!
- **Congratulations** Mrs. Ward's 6th grade homeroom, who was crowned December's Class Champs for our Box Top's competition. They collected over 200 box-tops in the month of December! Keep up the good work!
- **Reminder** that banking is held every Tuesday in the library! Congratulations to our November raffle winners: Hannah Winiker (5H), Vibha Kamath (1W), Daniel Angermier (4B), and Maddie Williams (6D). Bank often and bank early to increase your chance to win a \$5.00 cash deposit!
- **Thank you** to all of the families who have contributed to this year's Annual Appeal. Donations will be accepted until March 31, 2010, at which point, we will conduct our drawing for an autographed Boston Bruins Jersey.
- **In an effort to support the use of less paper**, starting with the February Scope & Sequence, we will begin sending our monthly Scopes electronically. Teachers will upload a copy of the month's S&S to their Edline pages & they will also be emailed via our Alert Now system to each family. Contact Heather Zolnowski, ext. 126 or via email hzolnowski@bfccps.org with any questions
- **Attachments:**
 - **Author Anne Broyles Pre-Order Form**
 - **Capstone Presentation Invitation**
 - **Spelling Bee Information**

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



2010 BFCCPS Calendar January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4 7pm Enrollment Information Evening, auditorium	5 Banking 9am Board Pres meets with HOS, HOS office 3:30-4:30 SSAT Prep	6 8am Board Fin Comm meeting, HOS office 4:30-5:30 Basketball at Mass Premier Courts	7 3:30-4:30 SSAT Prep	8 8am first Concert Band practice 9:10 6-8 Capstone Presentations, aud.	9
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17	18 No School: Dr. Martin Luther King Day	19 Banking 7:00 Mid Winter And Holiday Concert, Aud.	20 4:30-5:30 Basketball at Mass Premier Courts 7:00 Board Mission Committee Meeting, Library	21 National Spelling Bee Preliminaries, Round 1 Grades 4-8 7:00 Pillars in Action Parent Evening	22 9:20 K-2 Assembly, Both 1st grades present National Spelling Bee Preliminaries, Round 2, Grades 4-8	23
24	25		27 4:30-5:30 Basketball at Mass Premier Cts 7pm PAC Meeting, library	28 7:00 Enrollment Information evening, new families only please.	29 February K-8 Scope and Sequence emailed home 9:20 Assembly grades 3&4, 4Davis presents	30

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.

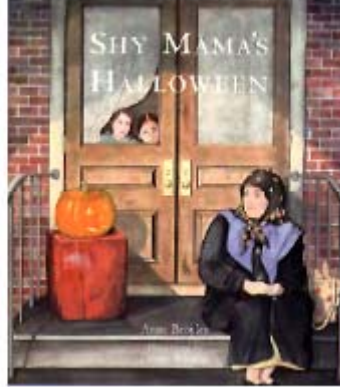
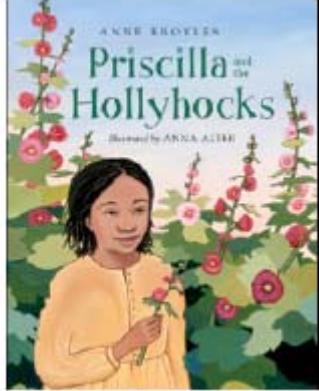
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The mission of the Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School is to assist parents in their role as primary educators of their children by providing the children with a classical academic education integrated with sound character development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

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

BOOK ORDER FORM

Anne Broyles Author Visit to BFCCPS -2/5/10



Dear Parents,

Your child will meet visiting children’s book author Anne Broyles on Friday, February 5th. ***Priscilla and the Hollyhocks*** tells of a slave girl who is “saved by hollyhocks and a white man’s kindness”, when she walks the Trail of Tears with her Cherokee master in 1838.

Shy Mama’s Halloween is about a Russian immigrant’s first experience of belonging in a new country. More than just a holiday book, ***Shy Mama’s Halloween*** is an affirmation of family, and of the courage that loves gives.

Don’t miss this wonderful opportunity to encourage your child to read.

Please order by January 15th. Please make checks payable to **BFCCPS – PCO**.

	Price	Quantity	Total
Priscilla and the Hollyhocks	\$16.95 (hardcover)	_____	\$_____
Shy Mama’s Halloween	\$5.80 (softcover)	_____	\$_____

Name (s) to be inscribed in each book:

Message (optional)

Teacher Name _____ Contact Name _____ Phone _____

You are cordially invited to attend the
2010 Capstone Presentations

Friday, January 8th &
Friday, January 15th
9:20am-11:00am
(See schedule on other side)

BFCCPS School Auditorium

Come share in celebrating the outstanding
community service efforts of our 8th grade students

Friday, January 8th

Mrs. Ahnert Mrs. Williamson Mrs. Sarapas

*Students presenting with a partner who is in Coach Burke's or
Coach Simpson's advising group will present on January 15th.

Friday, January 15th

Coach Burke Coach Simpson

Capstone Breakfast will be held on January 15th

for the 8th grade students only!

Announcing the



**Benjamin Franklin
Classical Charter**
PUBLIC SCHOOL

Spelling Bee

- Open to ALL 4-8 grade students
- During school January 21st and 22nd
- The winner will represent BFCCPS at the Regional Spelling Bee Competition with a chance to go to the National Spelling Bee.

For the first time BFCCPS will be participating in the National Spelling Bee. The purpose of the National Spelling Bee is stated as “to help students improve their spelling, increase their vocabularies, learn concepts, and develop correct English usage that will help them all their lives.” In offering this opportunity to BFCCPS students we aim to provide a educational and fun opportunity for students looking for an academic challenge.

The competition is open to any 4-8 grade student who is interested. *To enroll, any interested student, needs to return the Enrollment Slip at the bottom of this page to their homeroom teacher by January 14th.* To help prepare, each enrolled student will receive a packet of information outlining the rules and practice words.

The competition will be held in two parts. The first part will be held during school hours January 21st. The top ten students will compete the next morning, January 22nd, at 10:10 a.m. in the school auditorium. This portion of the competition will be open to the community to attend.

For more information please visit www.spellingbee.com, or email Joe Perna, Director of School Operations and Students Activities at jperna@bfccps.org

ENROLLMENT FORM

Name: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

Parent Signature: _____