

BROOKWOOD JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

BETHANY A. LINDSAY, PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardian:



May is one of our busiest months at school. Attached you will find a calendar of events for the month of May. Please don't hesitate to call if you should have any questions about the activities taking place this month. Also, please remind your child that each day of school attendance is a day of learning. We have four solid weeks left and each week is filled with high-quality, educational activities going on in every classroom. All parents are welcome to visit at any time.

Our last day of school for eighth grade students is May 26th, 2016 (Graduation Day). Our last day of school for seventh grade students is May 27th, 2016. When school ends for the year, student learning should continue. Parents are encouraged to take their child to museums, cultural exhibits, libraries, book stores, zoos, etc. The Chicagoland area offers so many learning activities for children. Furthermore, we can't emphasize enough how important it is for you to ensure that your child continues to read each and every day.

This summer, our district is offering a summer school program. There is a program for enrichment and a program for core learning for students currently in grades K – 7. The program will take place at Longwood Elementary School from June 1st through June 30th. There is no fee to attend. If you have questions about this program, please contact Jill Larson, Summer School Lead Administrator at (708) 758-5252.

Thank you for all of the support you have given us throughout this school year. We hope that the relationship we have developed with our families continues even when students go on to high school, college, and beyond. We love hearing the success stories from our former students and their families. We ask our former students to come back and share with our students their success.

Sincerely,

Bethany A. Lindsay, Principal
Brookwood Junior High School



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REMINDER | 7TH GRADE FIELDTRIP | INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



Every year students in 7th Grade take a very special fieldtrip at the end of the school year. It has become a tradition at BJHS that all 7th graders enjoy the experience of engaging in the “**Architectural Boat Tour of Chicago**” sponsored by “*Shoreline Sightseeing*”. Students will tour the Chicago River and its architectural landmarks.

Professional guides recount the dramatic story of Chicago’s rise from the Great Fire of 1871 to become the home of the skyscraper and the cradle of modern American architecture.

Along the route (by boat), are buildings by world-famous architects. Students will receive a complimentary map and guide to keep as a souvenir of their cruise. After the boat tour, students will have a chance to visit Navy Pier and have lunch.

Students will be scheduled to go on this fieldtrip on one of the four days listed below:

- ❖ May 3rd
- ❖ May 4th
- ❖ May 5th
- ❖ May 10th

The cost of this trip is \$30.00. Payments (in cash) are to be submitted to the office of BJHS no later than April 22nd, 2016.

If a student sold candy bars to fundraise for this trip, the money is due by March 23rd, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (708) 758-5252.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR | MOBILE DENTIST IS COMING | MAY 11TH, 2016



“The Heart That Smiles” – Mobile Dentists will be coming to Brookwood Junior High School on May 11th, 2016. Parents must complete a consent form for their child to receive dental services. The dental services being provided may include an exam, cleaning, fluoride treatment, and sealants.

This program is a highly acclaimed on-site dental care program created in compliance with the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the U.S. Surgeon General guidelines.

GRADUATION INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF 8TH GRADE STUDENTS



Our ceremony will be held on May 26th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. The doors will open to ticket holders at 6:00 p.m. All graduates will receive (4) tickets for their family to attend graduation. All attendees must have a ticket to enter the building. Our graduates should not wear corsages, and flowers should not be presented during the ceremony. No balloons or distractive items will be allowed in the gym. This is a very special event and our students deserve the very best! We look forward to seeing all families support their child on Graduation night.

A graduation dinner party will be held prior to Graduation. It takes place on May 20th, 2016 at Glenwoodie Golf Club. Parents can also attend. Payments for the dinner dance need to be received by May 6th, 2016.

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RECOMMENDED SUMMER READING LIST

GRADES 7th | 8th

Alcott, Louisa May

Little Women

Imond, David

Skellig

Bagnold, Enid

National Velvet

Bradbury, Ray

Fahrenheit 451

Cleaver, Vera and Bill Cleaver

Where the Lilies Bloom

Cooper, James Fenimore

The Last of the Mohicans

Defoe, Daniel

Robinson Crusoe

Douglass, Frederick

The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass

Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes

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Dumas, Alexander	The Count of Monte Cristo
Eckert, Allan W.	Incident at Hawk's Hill
Engdahl, Sylvia	Enchantress from the Stars
Forester, C.S.	The Horatio Hornblower Series
Frank, Anne	The Diary of a Young Girl
Frost, Robert	Poems
George, Jean Craighead	Julie of the Wolves
Hamilton, Virginia	M.C. Higgins, the Great
Hautzig, Esther	The Endless Steppe
Hilton, James	Goodbye, Mr. Chips
Hinton, S.E.	The Outsiders
Hoose, Phillip	Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice
Hugo, Victor	The Hunchback of Notre Dame
Hunt, Irene	Across Five Aprils
Hunter, Mollie	A Stranger Came Ashore
Irving, Washington	The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Johnson, Angela	Heaven
Keith, Harold	Rifles for Watie
Keller, Helen	The Story of My Life
Korman, Gordon	No More Dead Dogs
LaFleur, Suzanne	Love, Aubrey
Le Guin, Ursula K.	A Wizard of Earthsea
L'Engle, Madeleine	A Wrinkle in Time
Lester, Julius and Tom Feelings	To Be a Slave
London, Jack	Call of the Wild

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Malory, Sir Thomas	Le Morte d'Arthur
McCaffrey, Anne	Dragonsong
O'Dell, Scott	Island of the Blue Dolphins
Oppel, Kenneth	Airborn
Paterson, Katherine	Jacob I Have Loved
Paulsen, Gary and Drew Willis	Hatchet
Peck, Richard	A Long Way from Chicago
Peck, Robert Newton	A Day No Pigs Would Die
Pratchett, Terry	The Wee Free Men
Pyle, Howard	The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood
Rawlings, Marjorie Kinnan	The Yearling
Rawls, Wilson	Where the Red Fern Grows
Saint-Exupéry, Antoine de	The Little Prince
Schaefer, Jack	Shane
Schmidt, Gary D.	The Wednesday Wars
Scott, Sir Walter	Ivanhoe
Shelley, Mary	Frankenstein
Smith, Betty	A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
Speare, Elizabeth George	The Witch of Blackbird Pond
Steinbeck, John	The Red Pony
Stevenson, Robert Louis	Treasure Island
Taylor, Mildred D.	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry
Tolan, Stephanie S.	Surviving the Applewhite's
Tolkien, J.R.R.	The Hobbit
Twain, Mark	The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

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Uchida, Yoshiko	Journey to Topaz
Verne, Jules	20,000 Leagues Under the Sea
Webster, Jean	Daddy-Long-Legs
Wells, H.G.	The War of the Worlds
Wilder, Thornton	The Bridge of San Luis Rey
Yep, Laurence	Dragonwings
Zindel, Paul	The Pigman
Zusak, Markus	The Book Thief