

Broad View Elementary

THE EXPLORER



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A Caring Community Educating Every Student For Success

DECEMBER 2009

CALENDAR

- Dec 4 Family Painting Night by PTA – 6:00 pm
- Dec 10 1st Grade Music Performance
 2:30 pm & 6:30 pm
- Dec. 15 PTA meeting – 3:30 pm
- Dec 17 Assembly: Bike Drawing
- Dec 18-Jan 3 Winter Break
- Jan. 4 Back to School
- Jan. 8 Game Night -
- Jan 12 McIntyre Hall – Ernst & Hagel
 8:30 – 12:20
- Jan 12 McIntyre Hall – Gate Students
 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
- Jan 18 No School – Martin Luther King Day
- Jan. 19 PTA meeting – 3:30 pm
- Jan 22 Family Science Night
- Jan.28 Spelling Bee 4th/5th Gr. – 1:00

*** Enrichment ***

Broad View Elementary Enrichment was held at Broad View from September 29 – October 27, 2009. We want to extend a huge Thank You to the Enrichment Coordinator, Linda Mosquera, who organized the program and to all of the volunteer instructors who helped make it such a success.

SCHOOL CLOSURE HOTLINE

Wind, snow, ice, downed trees and electrical outages can happen during the winter on Whidbey Island. Here are two ways to check on the status of Oak Harbor Schools. 279-5060 or check www.schoolreport.org

Cold Weather at Recess



Now that the rain and chilly weather has arrived, students need to be prepared for recess with a coat, hat and gloves/mittens. We go outside, even in the rain; sweatshirts aren't adequate. If you need assistance for the purchase of a warm coat, hat, or mittens contact Mrs. Tagge.

ATTENDANCE

Successful students almost always have excellent school attendance; however, even the best students are occasionally ill. Please call the BVE attendance line 279-5295 before 9:30 am when your child will be late to school or if your child will be absent that day. If we had not received a call from you regarding your child's absence, you will get an automated phone message stating your child has been marked absent and you will need to call the school. A note is also required upon your child's return to school stating the reason for their absence. You can send a note with your child or e-mail their attendance note to bveattendance@ohsd.net.

Congratulations!!!

1st Quarter

- Kiwanis "Achieving by Believing" Awards*
- Cami Bristol Mason Jensen Cierra Smith Isaiah Brown*
Tristen Klein Jasmine Ford Caelan Echeverio Andrew Cole
Nathaniel Cardenas Alexis Ruiz Sydney Cook
Ameerah McCowin Taliejha Rainey Christopher Wilson
Neomi Davidson Aiden Taylor McKenna Jensen
Patti Miessenr Tyrell Torres Ewan Preedit

SHARE THE WARMTH



The Giving Tree is back!!!! Broad View Elementary will be starting its annual “Hats, Mittens and Scarves” drive as soon as we come back from Thanksgiving break. We will be accepting donations of new or homemade hats, scarves and mittens for people of all ages; these warm items will be donated to needy families through DSHS. We have seen how generous the families of Broad View are. We hope you will help us fill our “giving tree” in the Galleria with lots of warmth and joy. Thank-you for all you do for your children and our community!

BROAD VIEW WEBSITE

Please check out our website, www.ohsd.net/bve. You will find important information regarding activities at Broad View. We are also posting community flyers on our website now. We will no longer be sending home flyers regarding community events. They will be displayed under “District Flyers



Crosswalk Corner

As you drive through the school zone and the patrollers are on duty please know that they follow a procedure for safety:

- The patrollers are communicating with each other using voice signals.
- They look for traffic in all directions.
- They watch for safety gaps in traffic and then decide when to move into the crosswalk.
- After pedestrians are safely across, patrollers again communicate with each other until they are safely on the sidewalks.

Their entrance onto and exit from the crosswalk may not be as fast as you would like because they are expected to pause and make sure the area is ready. Moving cars, cars which don't use turn signals, cars which stop in the crosswalk, and those cars which roll through the stop signs are very confusing to them. Please stop well before the crosswalk and stay stopped until the crosswalk is no longer occupied, not just until your lane is clear.

Drivers' patience is appreciated. Remember the patrollers, ten and eleven year old children and non-drivers, are trying to make the best decisions possible.

Please yield to the Safety Patrol and walkers.

- **Pedestrians on sidewalks** - Drivers and bicyclists must yield to pedestrians on sidewalks and in crosswalks (RCW 46.61.261).
- **Drivers must yield to pedestrians at intersections** - Vehicles shall stop at intersections to allow pedestrians and bicycles to cross the road within a marked or unmarked crosswalk (RCW 46.61.235).

Patrollers have been reminded to keep their flags high and as visible as possible. Your vigilance will help to ensure their safety as well as the numerous pedestrians.

The members on the Safety Patrol appreciate your increased awareness in keeping all Broad View students safe while crossing at the crosswalks.

Thanks,

Ms. Bishop
Safety Patrol Supervisor/Advisor