

GRADE 10 PA NEWSLETTER

10th Grade Parent Coffee this Thursday, January 22, 8:00 AM, Stonestreet Lounge in the Athletic Center. Please attend, parents!

Topic: "Parent - Teenager Communications and Stresses," including communication around exam times, friends, homework, or any other topics that parents would like to discuss. Upper School Counselor Doug Neuman will begin his remarks just after 8:00 a.m. and will open up the discussion to Q&A. Hope to see you at the Stonestreet Lounge in the Athletic Center after dropoff!

Exam Schedule for Week of January 26

For those who are looking for the exam schedule for the week of January 26, go to:

Knightline -- www.bbn-school.org -- Then type user name (Knightline) and password (knights74). Look under "US, Resources," then click on "Exam Schedule."

Parents - Can You Help Provide 10th Grade Snacks for Friday, January 30, 11:00 a.m., the Final Exam Day?

Parents, if you have the time, please drop off snacks and beverages for 10th grade students on the morning of Friday, January 30, when most 10th graders will be present in the morning for their final exam of the semester. Tables will be set up in the cafe area of the gymnasium; please leave your snack donations there. We will set up the snacks to be available when exams are over at 11:00 a.m. Thank you!

Also, if anyone is able to volunteer to help staff the table and/or clean up, please contact Melanie Shaw or Cathy Cuddy (melanie_shaw@bbns.org or cathycuddy@rcn.com). Thanks again for your help!

Drivers Education Classes Begin January 31

Students who are 15 3/4 and older are eligible to take Driver's Ed Classes held at BB&N on the following Saturdays, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., Room 183. Please contact Grade Dean Peggy Payne if you wish to sign up your student.

SPRING DRIVER'S ED SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 31

Saturday, February 14, 21, 28

Saturday, March 7

Saturday, April 4, 11, 18, 25 (snow date only)

Saturday, May 16, 30

Please return your ski trip permission form(s) and payment by Friday, January 23!! 10th Grade Student Ski Trip to Loon Mountain, Monday, February 2

Please ask your student about the upcoming ski trip! Last year our students came out in big numbers for the trip, which occurs right after exams conclude. We are expecting a good turnout again this year! Students were emailed permission forms with trip details, plus a rental form if needed. **We will also email both documents to parents this week if you need them!** Contact melanie_shaw@bbns.org for the forms!!

Here are key trip details for Monday, February 2:

- bus leaves BB&N at 6:30 am
- bus leaves Loon at 4:00 pm
- bus returns to BB&N between 6:30 and 7:00 pm
- faculty chaperones
- bring your own equipment or rent at Loon
- pay in advance for bus, lift ticket, and, if needed, equipment rental and 3-hour lesson
- must wear a helmet! bring or rent one!
- signed permission slip required
- permission slip and cash or check (made out to BB&N Class of 2011) due to Peggy Payne on or before Friday, January 23
- if renting equipment, fill out rental form (required) and return it to Peggy Payne on or before Friday, January 23
- pack your own lunch/snacks or bring money for food
- financial assistance is available; call Peggy Payne, 10th Grade Dean, at 617-800-2293.
- no refunds unless the trip is canceled beforehand due to lack of interest.

**Parents, please attend! 10th Grade Parents Evening
Wednesday, February 4, 6:45 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Upper School**

Topics: General Update on News and Events and a Review of the Upper School's Program on Sexuality and Relationships

Doug Neuman and colleagues are putting together a program covering the School's work with students on issues of sexuality and relationships. The evening will include a student panel of upperclass students. Information and resources will also be available for parents. We hope you can join us for what promises to be an informative evening.

Jack Knapp and Grade Dean Peggy Payne will also be on hand to welcome parents and go over key announcements and news prior to the formal program.

P '11 Book Group

Our next meeting will be on Monday, February 9th, 7:30pm, at the Savarese's house in Belmont. We will discuss the book, *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*, by Junot Diaz, published in softcover . Please RSVP to Nonna Gale, nonnagale@earthlink.net, if you plan to attend. The Savarese's address is in the Community Directory, or you can get it from Nonna Gale when you RSVP.