

Dear 9th Grade Parents,

Time flies and, incredibly, March break is just around the corner. A few things to keep in mind as we head into spring and watch for robins, buds, and crocuses...

SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY SERVICE COFFEE (2/19/10)

We had a terrific parents' coffee on February 19th about community programs and opportunities—our thanks to Mme. Ciani, Prof. Gonzenbach, and parents Lynda Ceremsak (our own 9th grade parent!) and Robin Gilbert for their hard work on this. For those who had to miss it, Upper School students are now all expected (and required) to perform at least 40 hours of community service prior to graduation. There is information available through the Community Service Coordinators about the Community Service Policy and a list of organizations at which BB&N students have volunteered, as well as names of clearinghouses of other possible organizations (e.g., www.teenlifeboston.com.) Students are welcome to create their own opportunities; the committee recommends that students obtain prior approval before committing to these and requires that the commitment to any particular organization be for a minimum of ten hours. Students in 10th and 11th grade who wish to make a significant commitment to a community service project during the time they would otherwise spend at sports can do that with a sports waiver once during their time at BB&N (“Season-Off Sports.”) For more information about the Community Service requirement, please email the coordinators at mireille_ciani@bbns.org or Gabriela_gonzenbach@bbns.org or Lynda Ceremsak at ceremsak@comcast.net.

10th GRADE COURSE SELECTION!!! DO NOT MISS THIS!!

Grade 9 Parent Coffee

Friday, April 2nd, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Stonestreet Lounge - U.S. Athletic Center (off main lobby)

Academic Dean Ross Clark will explain what the course options are for our rising 10th graders.

PLEASE NOTE THE DATE FOR THE 9th GRADE STUDENTS' SPRING DANCE: Friday, April 9th at the Upper School.

Details to follow.

PARENTS' SPRING SOCIAL GATHERING BEING SCHEDULED—STAY TUNED!

If you have any comments or questions or have something in mind that you would like to see us or the parent body do at BB&N, please let us know! We're happy to try to help in any way.

Have a great vacation, everyone!