

Lower School PA Newsletter

October 2009

Dear Lower School Parents:

It's only October and we have had so many wonderful events at the Lower School. Again, thanks to the numerous volunteers who assisted with all of the Lower School's September events, including the First Day of School Picnic and all of the Back-To-School Nights. And we were very pleased to see so many of you at the LS PA kick-off meeting on September 24. We appreciate your time and enthusiasm!

The Lower School (LS) newsletter will list both upcoming PA events, as well as important LS meeting dates for the coming month. Please mark your calendar and remember to check the BB&N on-line calendar to get the most up-to-date information. The newsletter will also include volunteer opportunities and a contact person. You can always contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

We look forward to a wonderful year!

Sincerely,

Maureen Marota and Marjorie Lichtenberger

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Upcoming PA Events

LSPA Speaker Katie LeClerc
Friday October 2 at 8:15 am, Pokross Room

Katie LeClerc is returning this year to the LS campus to speak to both parents and students regarding internet safety and social networking sites. Come learn about some internet safety issues before your children are actively on-line. Her talk is a real eye-opener - don't miss it!

Family Science Saturday
Saturday October 3 at 10 a.m. in Amesbury, MA

Have tons of family fun building and launching model rockets! For questions or to sign up, contact Caitlin Drechsler at caitlin_drechsler@bbns.org.

PNSC Picnic -- Monday, October 5, 6 pm - 7:30 pm, Upper School

SAPA Event - Wednesday, October 7, 6 pm - 7:30 pm, Upper School Commons

CGSA Meeting -- Wednesday, October 14, 6 pm - 7:30 pm, Upper School Commons

LSPA Meeting

Thursday, October 22, 8 am, Pokross Room

Find yourself wondering exactly what "Responsive Classroom" means? Come and hear the Lower School's expert faculty explain the theory and practice of the Responsive Classroom approach to elementary education, which is used daily in all of your children's classrooms.

Faculty Appreciation Breakfast

Thursday, October 22

The 4th grade class will provide yummy breakfast treats for our outstanding faculty.

All-School Spirit Day!

Friday, October 23

Bring your Lower School students to Spirit Day at the Upper School! Check the [bbns.org](http://www.bbns.org/calendar/view/2184) on-line calendar (<http://www.bbns.org/calendar/view/2184>) for a schedule of sporting events. This is a great opportunity for you and your children to connect with members of all 3 BB&N campuses, while having fun cheering on the US athletes!

Important LS Events

Beginner Potluck

Wednesday October 7 at 6:30 pm, Pokross Room

Beginner parents, contact your class reps to see what you can bring!

6th Grade Potluck

Wednesday October 8 at 6:30 pm, Pokross Room

6th Grade parents, contact your class reps to see what you can bring!

Coffee with US Athletic Director Rick Foresteire

(for Grades 5 & 6 Parents)

Friday, October 9 -- 7:50 am to 8:25 am, Pokross Room

Come hear Upper School Athletic Director Rick Forestiere provide information and answer questions regarding the physical education program for 5th & 6th grades and beyond. Get your morning cup of coffee at the same time!

NO SCHOOL

Monday, October 12 and Tuesday October 13

**Camp Hulbert Meeting for Grade 6 Parents
Friday, October 16, Pokross Room**

Volunteer Opportunities

LS Admissions Open House

Saturday, October 24, * 1:30-4:30 pm

*(*please note new date on the on-line calendar)*

The Lower School Admissions Office is looking for parent volunteers to be on-campus during the open house. This is a good opportunity to greet prospective parents and students, and to share your BB&N experience! Please contact Melanie Shaw (melanie_shaw@bbns.org) in the LS Admissions Office if you can help.

Faculty Appreciation Committee

We are still looking for one or two more volunteers to help organize monthly events to show our faculty how much we appreciate all that they do. Please contact Committee Chair Christina Mann (ccm173@mac.com) if you would like to help!

Cultural Enrichment Committee

This committee brings a number of fabulous outside performances to delight our students each year. We are still looking for a few volunteers to join the committee and help evaluate prospective performers. Contact Committee Chair Emily O'Neil (emilyoneil@rcn.com) if you are available to help.

Lower School Admissions Tours

The LS Admissions Office is looking for parent volunteers to give LS campus tours to prospective parents. All parents, new and old are encouraged to sign up. This is great way to show off our fabulous school. If interested, please contact LS Admission Assistant Tiffany Chao (tiffany_chao@bbns.org).