

# Barton Bugle



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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Our Lake Day Awards Program and All-School Picnic (grades 1-8) is fast approaching (Friday, June 5). Because the Lake Harriet bandshell has been under construction for renovations to the seating area, we are preparing for two possible scenarios for our Lake Day activities.

If the bandshell is ready for use, our schedule for the day will be as follows:

- 9:30 AM Hiking to the Lake Harriet Bandshell
- 10:00 AM** Awards Program at the Lake Harriet Bandshell
- 10:40 AM Picnic in the Lake Harriet park picnic area
- 11:00 AM Games and Activities in the picnic area
- 12:45 PM Return hike to Barton School

If the bandshell is not ready for use, our schedule will be as follows:

- 9:00 AM** Awards Program in the Barton Commons
- 10:00 AM Hiking to the Lake Harriet Picnic area
- 10:30 AM Picnic in the park area
- 11:00 AM Games and Activities in the picnic area
- 12:45 PM Return hike to Barton School

Hopefully, we'll know something definite about the bandshell status by the middle of next week. We hope many parents will be able to join us for this end of the year celebration for our eighth graders and our Barton community.

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## More Plant Sale Volunteers!

We are continuing our recognition of the volunteers who made this year's Plant Sale such a great success for our school. Our deepest thanks to the following individuals who contributed time and energy during the busy plant sale pick-up days: Dave Kuntz, Sonja Thompson, Andie Thomas, Lisa Kugler, Leah & Shana Crawford, Anne Saari, Jennifer Johnson, Jackie Haviland, Randy Miranda, Marcy Zerwes, Julie Carson, Kathy Stennes, Gayle Weigle, Shari Seelig, Jane Hamilton, Kelsey Sullivan, Brenda Zehnder, Lu Prinsen, Martha Brennecke, Rebecca Benz,

Kathleen Kuntz, Colleen, Katie & Joe Kaelin, June Hamilton, Laura Morrill, Sonja Thompson, Deann Rutt-Fish, Peggy and Rusty Clark, Sarah Streitz, Greta Hagedorn, Sandy Parnell, Brenda Butler, Marianne Carolan, Andrea Breen, Elizabeth Dolan, Tony Wendt, Jean Doolittle, Barbara Hahn, Sue Johnson, Victoria Lauing, Marie Pettingill, Maya Christensen, and Julie Garner-Pringle.

## Council Endorsement Ballots

Please return completed endorsement ballots by tomorrow, May 28, to support next year's slate of parent

## Calendar 2009

### May

- 27 Barton Parent Meeting on Changing School Options 5:00 PM in Commons
- 28 Council Endorsement Ballot due
- 28 Leadership Council Meeting (6-8 PM)

### June

- 4 Uppers Exhibition of Portfolios 2-5 PM
- 5 All School Morning Meeting 7:35 AM
- 5 Lake Day Awards Program 9 or 10 AM  
All School Picnic/Activities 10:30 AM
- 8 Eighth Grade Graduation Program 4 PM
- 9 Last Day for Students K-8
- 10 Last Day for Teaching Staff

### July

- 7 First Week Summer School Classes (T-F)
- 13 Second Week Summer School (M-Th)
- 20 Third Week Summer School (M-Th)
- 27 Fourth Week Summer School (M-Th)
- 30 Last Day of Summer School Classes

### August

- 24 First Day for Barton Teaching Staff
- 27 Meet Your Teacher Social 3-4 PM

### September

- 1 School Begins for Grades 1-8
- 3 First Day for Kindergartners
- 7 No Classes K-8: Labor Day

### October

- 1 No Classes AM/PM Kindergarten
- 2 No Classes K-8: Conference Day
- 15 No Classes K-8: Professional Day
- 16 No Classes K-8: Professional Day
- 21 School Picture Day

### November

- 6 No Classes K-8: Record Keeping Day
- 26 No Classes K-8: Thanksgiving
- 27 No Classes K-8

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council representatives. Extra copies of the endorsement ballot are available in the office or online if you did not receive one.

## Parents Invited to Last All-School Morning Meeting!

Although it will be standing room only, parents are invited to attend our last all-school morning meeting of the school year on Friday, June 5, at 7:35 AM in the commons. We will sing together, set the expectations for a successful Lake Day experience, and then recognize and celebrate the wonderful parent involvement we have at Barton Open School. Please join us if your schedules permit.

## Parents of 6<sup>th</sup> Graders

Minnesota state law requires that all students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade must have received the following vaccinations, unless they claim an exemption: Hepatitis B (a series of 2 or 3 shots), 2 doses of varicella (unless they have had chicken pox), 2 doses of MMR vaccine (measles, mumps, rubella) and a Td/Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria) booster. It takes at least 4 months to get the Hepatitis B series, so if your child still needs these shots start NOW! If your child should not have immunizations for medical reasons or because of your conscientiously held beliefs, the school must have written proof of exemption.

All 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be bringing home a form indicating whether he/she is up-to-date or if immunizations are needed. Those who are in need of some of the immunizations listed above will be bringing home a blue form specifying the shots needed. The exemption form is on the back. Medical exemptions must be completed and signed by a physician. Conscientious exemptions must be notarized. If your child is up-to-date, a pink form will be sent home and you will not need to do anything.

Also, all students should have a physical exam before entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade. If your child plans to play middle school sports, the school must have a current physical exam on file.

## Southwest Lakers Youth Soccer Camp Summer 2009

Southwest High School boys and girls soccer teams will be hosting a youth summer camp this August. For Who: boys and girls entering grades 4-9 in the fall. When: August 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> (Mon-Thurs), 2009, 1:00 – 4:00 PM. Where: Minneapolis Southwest High School stadium @ 48<sup>th</sup> St. & Abbott. Led by: Southwest Lakers head boys soccer coach Jamie Plaisance & head girls coach Colette Montgomery & the Lakers varsity captains. What to bring: Water and a ball. Cost: \$50. Typical soccer week-long camps cost \$120-140. Our camp costs less because the trainers are volunteer high school soccer players. Revenue from these camps help Southwest High School soccer pay for the referees, transportation, coaches and other costs for the 2009 Fall Soccer season. Registration forms available in the office or call 612-987-5767.

## Hula Hoop this Summer!

Looking for fun activities for summer? Barton parent Jessica Bessette teaches hooping classes for kids and adults.

Visit [www.harmonyhoops.com](http://www.harmonyhoops.com) for details or call 612-963-6519 or [jess@harmonyhoops.com](mailto:jess@harmonyhoops.com). Hooping is more than just a form of exercise, its dance, its meditation, its self love.

## Join the Scouting Team Today

Visit Cub Scout Pack 110 for their annual picnic on Friday, June 5 at 6:30 p.m. at Mt. Olivet Church, 5025 Knox Avenue South in Minneapolis. All boys in kindergarten through fourth grade are invited. For more information about Pack 110, contact Kirstin Nesbitt at 612-925-0965 ([kirstin.nesbitt@winterlakes.com](mailto:kirstin.nesbitt@winterlakes.com)) or Chuck Salter at 612-384-8197. [www.pack110.pbwiki.com](http://www.pack110.pbwiki.com).

## Barton Parent Meeting on Changing Schools Options Tonight at 5:00 PM in Commons

Parent members of the Leadership Council will facilitate the second of two Wednesday meetings designed to provide Barton parents with an update on the Changing Schools Options process and to encourage positive actions from the Barton community that will help support our continuation as an open school program at this site.

Tonight's meeting is scheduled to start at 5:00 PM in the commons (Wednesday, May 27).

## Lake Day Planning Friday, June 5, 2009

Lake Day is approaching fast so we are asking for adults to sign-up to help make Lake Day a big success. The volunteer opportunities are many and it's easy to do – just call 612-243-0321 or 612-668-3580 for Sue B. or talk to her in room 12 and pick an exciting activity to help with or ask for ideas and we will get you on the team!

Possible volunteer opportunities include: transporting lunches and equipment to park activity set up at park trail and water safety team (watchdogs). Activity helpers: games, crafts, music, jacks & marbles, jump ropes, bubbles, Frisbee golf, face painting, obstacle course, etc. Clean up crew, transporting coolers and equipment back to Barton.

## Cell Phone Recycling Correction

There was an error in the website address in last week's *Bugle* for erasing your data before recycling your cell phone. The correct site is: [http://www.recellular.com/recycling/data\\_eraser/default.asp](http://www.recellular.com/recycling/data_eraser/default.asp) or, if you don't have time to do it yourself, Patrick will erase your cell phone data for you before recycling! For every cell phone turned in, Qwest will make a donation to the Minneapolis Public Schools.