

**November
2005**

Briar Woods High School

Home of the Falcons

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Dear Parents:

I hope you had a good Thanksgiving. Semester exams are right around the corner. Check the main body of the newsletter for the exam schedule. The exam grade represents 20 percent of the first semester grade. Make sure that your child eats breakfast each morning of exams and gets plenty of sleep the night before. All of our teachers will conduct exam reviews prior to the tests to prepare their students for the exams. There will be an early dismissal at 1:20 for students on each exam day.

We are currently in the process of planning a Lock-In for our students on the final exam day, January 20th. The event will begin around 10:00 p.m. and end around 6:00 a.m. There will be a variety of activities throughout the evening. For example, there may be movies shown in the auditorium, dancing in the cafeteria, volleyball and basketball tournaments in the gyms, etc. We are working with our SCA and class officers on the activities that will be going on that evening. We will need plenty of parent help. Parents are serving on the planning committee and will solicit parent volunteers. Once your child enters at 10:00 p.m., they will not be allowed to leave until 6:00 a.m., unless the parent enters the school, presents a picture i.d. and signs their child out early. A more detailed itinerary will be provided once all the final plans have been made. It should be a fun evening for all who attend.

On behalf of our faculty and staff, I wish everyone in our school community a wonderful and safe holiday season!

Regards,
Ed Starzenski



Attendance

Parents please help!
When your student is absent, you need to call the attendance line at (571) 252-1529 to notify the school. For your convenience, this is a 24 hour answering machine. If you forget to call on the day of the absence, you must send a note with your student on the day they return to school. Without a phone call or note, the absence will be considered unexcused and disciplinary action will be taken.

Disability Notice

If, due to a disability, you need assistance to enable you to participate meaningfully in any LCPS sponsored activities, please contact Principal Starzenski at (571) 223-2344 at least five working days prior to the scheduled activity.

Student Parking

Juniors interested in a parking permit may contact Mr. DeCenzo in the main office.

**Early Dismissals**

Parents: When requesting an early dismissal, please send your written request with your student that morning. I will write them a pass to excuse them at the appropriate time. This will alleviate the need to disrupt the classroom. Thank you for your cooperation.

Lunch Ticket Information

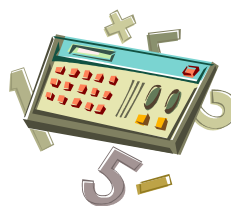
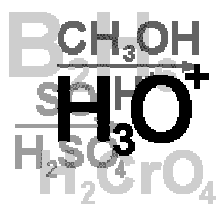
Free and reduced lunch applications are available at the school and were distributed in homeroom on the first day of school. Please complete the form promptly and return it to your homeroom teacher. The cost for a secondary student lunch will be \$1.95 and breakfast will be \$.90. Students may pay for lunch by the week or the month if desired.

**HARRIS TEETER GROCERY STORE
HELPS OUT SCHOOLS**

- > Harris Teeter Grocery store is now open in Brambleton! We are thrilled to have this store in our neighborhood.
- > Please link your VIC (Very Important Customer) card to Briar Woods High School #5980.
- > Simply tell the cashier during check out that you want Briar Woods #5980 linked to your Harris Teeter VIC card.
- > Then, every time you shop, 5% of your private label purchases will be contributed by Harris Teeter to our school.
- > It's that easy, so please link your card now and start making money for the Mighty Falcons!

Loudoun County Public Schools
2005-2006 Student Calendar

August 29	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
September 5	Holiday (Labor Day)
October 10	Holiday (Columbus Day)
November 4	End of Grading Period
November 7-8	Student Holiday (Planning/Records/Conference Day)
November 23-25	Holiday (Thanksgiving)
December 22-30	Winter Break (Classes Resume January 3)
January 2	Holiday (New Year's)
January 16	Holiday (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)
January 20	End of Grading Period
January 23	MOVEABLE STUDENT HOLIDAY *(Planning/Records/Conference Day)
February 20	Holiday (Presidents' Day)
April 6	End of Grading Period
April 7	Student Holiday (Planning/Records/Conference Day)
April 10-14	Spring Break
May 29	Holiday (Memorial Day)
June 14	Last Day of School for Students/End of Grading Period
June 15-16	Planning/Records/Conference Day





Winter Wonderland

The SCA and Class Councils are sponsoring a semi-formal dance on Saturday, December 3 from 8:00 to 11:30 in the school cafeteria. The theme is Winter Wonderland. Tickets go on sale Tuesday, November 29 for \$20. Students must complete a parent permission form prior to buying a ticket. Each student is allowed to bring one guest to the dance. All guests must complete the guest portion of the parent/guest permission form. Students can purchase tickets at the door for \$30. Ticket costs include admission to the dance and refreshments. For an additional cost, students can check their coats and purses (\$1 per item) at the door and have their pictures taken (prices vary). The SCA asks students to bring a new, unwrapped toy to the dance. All toys will be given to Toys for Tots. The first 60 students to donate a toy will receive a glow stick from the SCA in appreciation for their donations. The Winter Wonderland dance is the culminating activity in a week filled with events including hallway competitions, theme days (Jersey Day – Monday, Superhero Day – Tuesday, Hawaiian/Tropical Day – Wednesday, Western Day – Thursday, School Colors Day – Friday), and an athletic competition (tug-of-war, pie eating contest, obstacle course, and a scavenger hunt). We encourage all students to participate in every event and to attend the dance.

2005-2006 Guidance Staff

David Royhab	Guidance Director
Susan James	Counselor for students, A – J
Michelle Hoffmann	Counselor for students, K – Z
Jan Develli	Career Resource Specialist
Stacey Oertly	Guidance Secretary

SAT Dates & Deadlines for 2005-2006

See www.collegeboard.com for more details and to register for the SAT. When you register, you will be asked for your school's CEEB code. The Briar Woods CEEB code is: 470-061.

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Deadline	Loudoun Location
December 3, 2005	October 28, 2005	November 9, 2005	Loudoun County HS
January 28, 2006	December 22, 2005	January 4, 2006	Loudoun Valley HS
April 1, 2006	February 24, 2006	March 8, 2006	Loudoun County HS
May 6, 2006	April 3, 2006	April 12, 2006	Broad Run HS
June 3, 2006	April 28, 2006	May 10, 2006	Park View HS

ACT Dates & Deadlines for 2005-2006

The ACT is a bit different than the SAT in that it tests a student's educational development in four distinct areas: English, Math, Reading and Science. Some students feel that the ACT is better suited for their individual strengths than the SAT. While it is not as popular with students in this part of the country as the SAT, most colleges will accept either test.

See www.act.org for more information and to register for the ACT. The Briar Woods registration code is 470-061.

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Deadline
October 22, 2005	September 16, 2005	September 30, 2005
December 10, 2005	November 4, 2005	November 17, 2005
February 11, 2006	January 6, 2006	January 20, 2006
April 8, 2006*	March 3, 2006	March 17, 2006
June 10, 2006	May 5, 2006	May 19, 2006

* The April 8th ACT administration will be held at Broad Run High School.

The Official SAT Online Prep Course

Briar Woods High School will now offer the SAT Online Prep Course to juniors during flex period. Interested juniors should pick-up a permission/registration form in the Career Center. Seating is limited to 25 students. We will offer another course again in the spring.

Students of all grade levels may also take this interactive online course independent of teacher instruction. To begin, log onto www.collegeboard.com/satonlinecourseschool. In the "Students" box enter your College Board user name and password. For new users, click "Register Now." Then enter our school code: 470061. Select "Independent Study" to begin your session.

Interim Dates

In an effort to increase communication and to keep you informed, all of our students will receive interims from all of their teachers on the dates listed below.

Marking Period 2	Dec 8 & 9
Marking Period 3	Mar 2 & 3
Marking Period 4	May 18 & 19

Homework Requests

The guidance office will gather work for any student who is (or will be) out of school for three or more consecutive days due to an excused absence. Please contact guidance to make a request.

LCPS Academy of Science

The Academy of Science is now accepting applications from 10th and 11th grade students for the 2006-2007 school year. Applications are available in the guidance office. Please see the Academy website for more information: www.loudoun.k12.va.us/aos.

Some important dates to note:

- January 4 @ 7:00pm & January 7 @ 9:00am: Parent & student information sessions for the Academy of Science will be held in the Dominion High School auditorium.
- January 25 @ 7:00pm & January 28 @ 8:00pm: All applicants will be scheduled to complete a writing prompt on one of these two dates. There will be no additional opportunities to complete this portion of the application.
- February 22: Deadline to submit Academy applications to the guidance office.

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology

Applications for 2006-2007 are now being accepted from grade nine students for grade ten admissions and from grade ten students for grade eleven admissions. Please see Mr. Royhab in guidance for additional information and applications.

Governor's School

Attention all 10th and 11th grade students: Do you enjoy science and technology? Do you dream of being a doctor, biologist or veterinarian? Perhaps you enjoy social sciences or humanities? Do you want to spend a month at the College of William and Mary, the University of Richmond or Virginia Tech? Do you want to spend time working at NASA or at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, the Virginia Governor's School may be for you. See Mr. Royhab in the guidance department for applications and additional information.

BRIAR WOODS HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL LISTS, MARKING PERIOD 1

This Honor Roll list was created on November 14, 2005. Any grade changes since 11/14/05 are not reflected on this list. Any student with a grade of "Incomplete" is excluded from this list.

<u>"A" HONOR ROLL</u>
GRADE 9:
BIRMINGHAM, MICHAEL J
BOWMAN, LAUREN N
BURTON, NICHOLAS M
CARPENTER, KIRSTED E
CARTER, ALYSCIA N
DHILLON, MEHTAAB S
FABRIS, CARLY F
FARNSWORTH, NICOLE E
FISHER, AMANDA L
GARDNER, KELLY L
GIROLAMI, MICHAEL S
HAMM, JACLYN
HASAN, SAMAH
HERRINGTON, KELLY E
KHANNA, SALEENA
KLEES, JOHN R
LEON, MEAGHAN O
MCGANN, NORA M
SELICK-BOTTOS, ANNALIESA
SLACK, KYLE F
STARZENSKI, LAURA A
WIJEGUNAWARDENA, NELUKA
ZAMAN, FAHIMA T
GRADE 10:
BURGESS, PAUL A
BUTLER, BRITTANY L
EVANS, MEGAN M
FOWLER, MICHAEL J
GAHUNIA, LOVEENA K
GILBERT, MICHAEL C
IM, SONNYA K
KYLE, JESSICA M
KYLE, SARAH C
LUGINBILL, LESLEY A
MADIRAJU, RAGHUVVEER
MASENGALE, KYLE G
SAMPOGNA, MARIA A
SANGHERA, JAS A
YEE, REBECCA A
GRADE 11:
CHEN, BOXI
CHEN, GRACE -
LOCKLEY, MATTHEW M
PATEL, SHETAL R

<u>HONOR ROLL</u>
GRADE 9:
ABI-NAJM, NIKLAS N
ACE, MATTHEW L
ACHEAMPONMAA, AKOSUA
ALLEN, ASHLEY S
ANANTULA, AKHIL R
ANZALONE, ANDREW C
ARSENAULT, BRENDEN J
ARTHUR, MICHAEL A
AUBE, DANIEL J
AUGUSTINE, MATTHEW J
AYOUB, JENNA M
BAILEY, THOMAS J
BALL, KRISTINA M
BLACKWELL, STEVEN R
BOND, SETH R
BORKOWSKI, THOMAS D
BRANTLEY, KEVIN I
BRENDES, CARL A
BRIDGE, SCOTT A
BRUTON, EYTHAN A
BURCAK, SPENSER T
BURKLE, ALEXANDRA M
BUTKA, VERONICA E
CALHOUN, WILLIAM A
CAMPBELL, OLIVER L
CARMEAN, RICHARD N
CARNEY, STEPHANIE N
CEROW, KAITLYN A
COLLINS, CHRISTIN D
COTTONE, CATHERINE M
CULLEN, RENNY C
DAVIDSON, ANDREW J
DEFFER, ALEXANDRA B
DEMOSS, LAWRENCE A
DERRICKSON, RICHARD M
D'AMICO, JAMES J
EDDY, MAKINSEY L
EISELE, DILLION A
EISENMAN, MATTHEW
ESTRADA, JORDAN N
FERTIG, ASHLEY N
FLANAGAN, AARON P
GANGELE, RAVI
GARDNER, KRISTA T
GELATT, RYAN H
GEORGE, RYAN S

GILBERT, NICOLE M
GLEICH, NICOLE E
GOCHENOUR, VERONICA M
GOUGH, MARY K
GUSSGARD, STEVEN S
HARRIS, MARC A
HASTINGS, NICHOLAS R
HAWTHORNE, PHILIP T
HENRY, DEVON C
HEWITT, BREA K
HICKS, TAYLOR W
HO, VY-NHA N
HOPE, BRANDON C
HUA, SOMNANG
HULCHER, THOMAS P
HUNT, KELLY A
HURLEY, NATALIE C
HUYNH, PHONG L
ISMATI, RAIHAN
ITCHKAWICH, AURORA MARIKO
JENSEN, BAILEY E
JENSEN, EMILY M
JOHNSON, COURTNEY R
JOHNSON, THOMAS R
JOYNER, VICTORIA A
JULIA JR, THOMAS A
KAKOL, AARON J
KAMBALAPALLY, SRAVYA
KANTE, MARIAM S
KEBEDE, ESKEDAR
KHALF-ALLAH, SARAH T
KIECHLIN, ERICA N
KIM, SOPHIA
KIM, WANG SOO
KING, MEGAN T
KNIGHT, STEPHANIE L
KOPPENS, BLAYNE D
KRAMER, LISA E
KUHN, KEVIN J
LAGROSA, HEATHER A
LAGROSA, WILLIAM R
LAND, KEITH A
LANDAU, VICTORIA L
LEE, STEPHANIE K
LEFEBVRE, BRETT R
LESLIE, CASEY D
LIEBLER, TERENCE J
LOGAN, MELANIE G

MAGNOTTI, MATTHEW A
MAHONEY, BRYAN E
MANALANSAN, JESSICA-ANNE
MANZER, LAURA M
MCCLURE, KANDICE L
MIHELICIC, VIRGINIA P
MILLER, TAYLOR G
MITCHELL, ROBERT J
MITTAN, TIMOTHY A
MONK, LAUREN B
MOORE, MARISSA C
MORRIS, JOSEPH W
NEWSOME, JORDYN K
NGUYEN, TIFFANY K
OCHS, ETHAN A
OJEDA ROMERO, JUAN A
O'CONNOR, KELLY B
PACE, JILL E
PAGE, DANIEL T
PALMER, TABITHA J
PYBURN, SARAH E
PYNTIKOV, ANDREY O
QUACH, VIVIAN
QUIST, JENNIFER M
RATLIFF, SHELBI K
REED, TRENTON L
RONK, JACQUELINE R
SABA, KATHRYN L
SAEED, SHAHZEB A
SAHAKIAN, GREGORY H
SANGHERA, STEVEN G
SCHAFER, JENNIFER A
SCHMIDT, GUNNAR W
SETHI, PRATEEK
SHANER, SEBASTIAN W
SILVA, YORMERI D
SORANDO, MATTHEW G
SRIRAM, SHRUTI
SYLVESTER, CLAYTON J
TARASSOVA, NATALYA A
TIERNEY, ELIZABETH S
TOLSON, CRISTINA M
TOWNSEND, EMILY B
TRAN, ALYSSA-VICTORIA K
UNDERWOOD, JAMES A
WAITHAKA, MARGERY W
WHITE, ADAM T
WILSON, BRITTANY N
WOLFE, BRIAN A
WOODWARD, SIMONE L
YOUNG, KELSEY A

ZIEGLER, MORGAN R
GRADE 10:
ABDULLAHI, ZAKERIA I
ABI-NAJM, NATASHA N
ADAS, ANISSA L
ALAM, ADNAN A
ALSAGOFF, SHARIFAH N
ATANASOV, VENCISLAV V
BALL, MATTHEW C
BARCO, CANDICE M
BAROODY, DAVID E
BELL, MATTHEW L
BENAVIDES, ANDREW B
BHUTANI, AARUSH -
BRYAN, JAMIE L
BRYAN, JONATHAN M
CAULFIELD, JOSHUA M
CHASE, ALLYSON D
CHENG, YING J
CHOWDHURY, AHSAN H
CIULLO, PATRICK J
CLEGHORN, MARGARET E
CONROY, KELSEY L
COOPER III, JOSEPH R
COTTONE, ELIZABETH A
CUADRADO, WALTER A
DAVIS, CAITLIN M
DEAN, SHINIKAL L
DEPASQUALE, ELIZABETH A
DILORETA, JUSTIN S
DONOHUE, BRETT W
ESCH, NEIL B
FRALICK, RACHEL L
GALANG, JAMES P
GANSON, DEVLIN M
GARCIA, ANGELIKA M
GILLESPIE, LAURA R
GOGIA, AKHIL -
GOUGH, KELLY E
GUSCOTT, NICHOLAS S
GUSSGARD, ERICA L
HARMER, RUTH A
HESS, AARON D
HOLLOWAY, THOMAS P
JAHRLING, BRIANNE A
KABAT, MITCHELL A
KABIRI, MURSAL S
KAUR, PARVEEN -
KELLEY, ALLYSON C
KHALIL, AMANDA A

KHAWAR, AZMAIRA -
KHOT, MEENA L
KIM, ANGELA
KINNALLY, HAYLEY E
KITAMURA, ALISSA
LAMB, MEGAN E
LAW, STEPHEN G
LOCKLEY, NAOMI M
LUTZ, AUSTIN J
MAGHAMEZ, JOHN A
MAILLEY, MELISSA N
MAKHIJANI, UMANG V
MANSORY, ARYA
MCCLENDON, SHANNON P
MESSAM, DANIELLE M
MORRIS, ARIANNA A
MURPHY, JEANMARIE -
NEGRI, ADAM R
NICHOLSON, ISAIAH F
OBERT, SARAH R
ONGIES, GABRIELLE L
OWEN, MATTHEW G
OWJI, KASRA -
O'SHEA, KATHLEEN C
PAGE, SIMONE L
PECK, ANNE C
PERRIELLO, RYANN R
PHILLIPS, MORGAN T
POWELL, ANDREW E
PYBURN, BRADLEY J
PYNTIKOV, ILYA O
PYNTIKOV, OLEG N
RAMANAN, KANDEEPAN
ROGERSON, WESLEY B
ROTH, RACHEL K
RUMPH, ASHLEY C
SAEED, RUSHNAN A
SAIF, MANAL
SALOMON, JESSICA A
SANTANGELO, AMANDA L
SCHWING, ROBERT S
SHAHAB, ZOYA -
SMITH, JASON M
TA, QUOC-ANH (TONY) T
THOMPSON, NICHOLAS R
TIEDGE JR, DAVID W
TOMA, BRANDON A
ULLAH, SAIF -
VEIZAGA, ALEXANDER P
VIERA, JOSHUA G
VILLA, ELIZABETH A
WOLFER JR, JOSEPH L

WOOD, KERRY J
WOODALL, STEPHANIE V
ZEBELL, SAMANTHA K
ZWOLAK, KAREN E
GRADE 11:
ACE, ALEXANDER M
ADAMS, JENNIFER B
AUGUSTINE, ANTHONY M
BRILEY, JENNIFER K
BUSBY, TERESA S
CHLANDA IV, CHARLES F
CHRISTENSEN, MIKKEL U
CURRY, ALIXANDRA L
DEATON, JOSHUA R
DENENBERG, ROMAN
DHILLON, PAWNEET K
FERTIG, JOHN M
FISCHER, JESSICA L
FRANCIS, MICHAEL P
GIVNER, DIONNE M
HAKALA, KRISTIN M
HAMIDI, ARASH
HANCOX, CHRISTINA N
HARVEY, BENJAMIN P
HAYMAN, MATTHEW P
HOQUE, ABIDUL -
HUNTER, DANIELLE L
KHALF-ALLAH, DINA T
LOPEZ, FLOR M
MACASIEB, RACHEL M
MOORADIAN, ALEXANDER E
MORRIS, JORDAN D
NGUYEN, BROOKE X
OLSEN, CAROLINE A
SALEEM, SHIZA
STOCKMAN, MEGAN L
VANG, TIMFABZANG
WEST, ASHLEY E
WOODWARD, KELLY C

Take a NEW SAT Practice Test at Briar Woods High School

Take a practice test proctored like an actual test.
(Except your score won't go on record!)

Saturday • February 4 • 8:00am

\$20 (pre-registered only – the deadline is February 1st)

\$30 (if not pre-registered)

(all proceeds to benefit Briar Woods High School PTSO)

Please Bring 2 sharpened #2 pencils and a calculator!

You and your parents are also invited to a College Admissions Seminar in the
Briar Woods High School Auditorium on

Monday, March 20th, at 7:00pm

Tests will be returned at that time!

Sponsored by: Briar Woods High School PTSO and

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Please Return this Registration Form to the Briar Woods High School Guidance Office
with payment of **\$20** (cash, check, or money order made payable to Briar Woods High School PTSO)

NAME: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

PTSO

President:	Geri Powell
Vice President of Membership:	Martha Mitchell
Vice President of Volunteers:	Martha Mitchell
Vice President of Fundraising:	Emily Ciullo
Treasurer:	Kim Klees
Secretary:	Barbara Watt

The PTSO would like to thank all of the wonderful parents who have so generously donated their time and talents to help make Briar Woods such a successful school. We have had many parents helping daily in the library and office. Many of our parents have also helped with our hospitality committee. Thank you to everyone who has helped with shelving books, laminating, answering phones, baking, cooking and serving food for the staff at Briar Woods. The staff at Briar Woods has been very appreciative of everything that the parents have done for them.

The PTSO will be sponsoring an SAT practice test in February 2006. Look for more information on the Briar Woods website and elsewhere in this newsletter. This is a great opportunity to try out the “new” SAT without having your scores sent anywhere.

The PTSO has monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month in the cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate in these meetings. If you would like to have a say in any of our events, our monthly meetings are where we make all decisions regarding PTSO activities. We will not be having a meeting in December, as the third Wednesday is the last day of school before the winter break. Our next PTSO meeting will be Wednesday January 18, 2006 at 7:00pm in the cafeteria. If you or any of your friends ever have any questions, comments or concerns regarding PTSO activities, please do not hesitate to contact Geri Powell. In order to conserve paper, our PTSO will primarily use this newsletter and the school website to communicate with our members. Please check the school website often for updates on PTSO activities.

Thank you again for being so generous with your time and talents,

Geri Powell

Thank you to all who ordered poinsettias this holiday season! Delivery will be to the school auditorium on Thursday, December 8th and available for pickup at 3:15 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. and again on Friday, December 9th at the same time. You will receive a phone call to confirm pickup and/or delivery. Thank you for your support. Our first year, we sold approximately 500 plants, which gave us a profit for our music department of approximately \$1,100. Look for this program again next season, and thanks again.



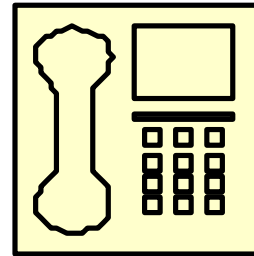
Academy of Science

**--January 4 @ 7:00 p.m. and
January 7 @ 9 a.m.:**

Parent/student info sessions for the AOS will be held in the auditorium at Dominion High School.

**--January 25 @ 7:00 p.m. and
January 28 @ 8:00 a.m.:** All applicants must complete a writing prompt on one of these two dates. **There will be no additional opportunities to complete this portion of the application.**

--Wednesday February 22: Absolute deadline to submit AOS applications to counselors at the student's home school.



New Telephone Numbers

On Monday, November 28th the telephone numbers for our school changed. To help ease this transition, the current telephone numbers and the new telephone numbers will both be active through December 21st.

Starting December 22nd, all of the old telephone numbers will be removed and only the new telephone numbers will come into the school. There will be a recording on the old numbers that will give callers the new number to dial.

The new telephone numbers for the main office, attendance, guidance, band, choir, drama, clinic, athletic director and principal will be on our web site at: cmsweb1.loudoun.k12.va.us/bwhs by December 5th.

Exam Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Periods</u>
1-17-06	1 and 2
1-18-06	7 and 8
1-19-06	3 and 4
1-20-06	5 and 6

Bell Schedule:

9:00 -11:00	Exam
11:00 – 11:25	Break
11:30 – 1:30	Exam
1:30	Dismissal

Key Club

The Key Club is the largest school/community service organization in the United States. The BWHS chapter has formed and students are already actively involved. The club members collected food items for five Thanksgiving food baskets to be donated to needy families in Loudoun County. Many members are donating time to raise funds for LARC and ECHO, two organizations in Loudoun who advocate for persons with mental retardation and related developmental disabilities. They will be gift wrapping at Dulles Town Center on December 3 and 20. Club members are also filling Christmas stockings for needy children that will be distributed through the Holiday Coalition. Members will also work at the Holiday Coalition distribution center, collecting and sorting donations. The club is also collecting new and used winter coats, hats, scarves and gloves during December. These will be distributed by LINK, an all volunteer organization comprised of 15 member churches in the Herndon, Sterling and Ashburn areas. If you would like to contribute to any of these causes, drop off your donations at the main office.

Drama News

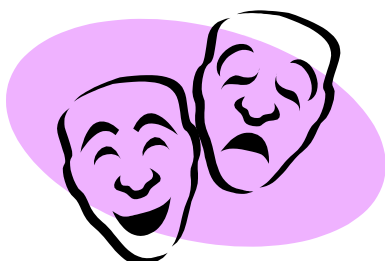
The Drama Department is working on scheduling and planning "Winter Workshops".

The workshops will be after school in the Black Box Theater and will be from 4-5pm.

Calendars are available on Mrs. Levi's Drama Department web page or in the classroom theater.

The first workshops will be November 29 - Improvisation for Actors and November 30 - General Theatre Tech.

There is a meeting for the "Drama Mamas and Papas" Wednesday, November 30 @ 7pm in the Black Box. Anyone interested is welcome. Email Mrs. Levi if you are interested, but cannot attend.



The Phenomenal Falcon Award

The Phenomenal Falcon Award was presented to the following students for the month of November:

Grace Chen, Pierce Dunwoody, Michael Girolami, Ben Harvey, Bryan Mahoney, Laura Manzer, Aaron Norberg, Lindsey Novak, Max Rassman, Manal Saif, Nicholas Thompson, and Paul Weber.

Students are nominated monthly by staff members in the areas of service, citizenship and scholarship.



Parents!

Send a message of encouragement to your student for Exam Week, January 2006!

Support the Sophomore Class!

Buy an Exam Care Bag for \$7.00

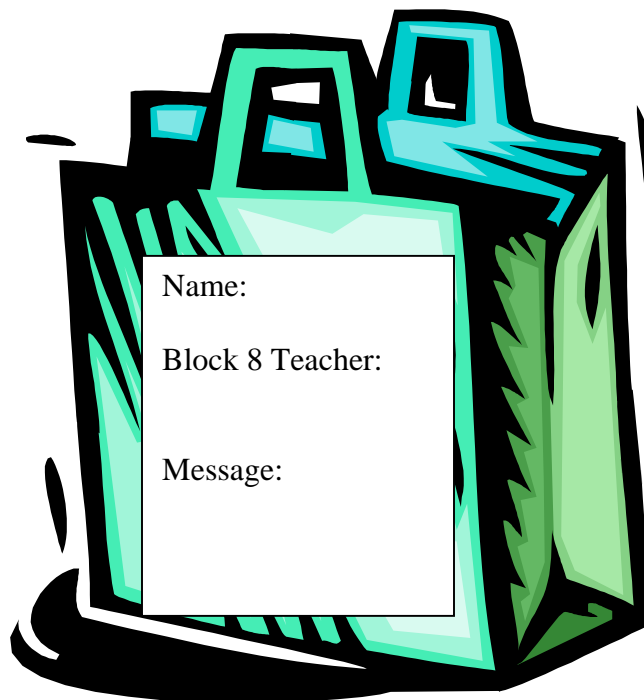
Proceeds to Sophomore Class/Goodie Bag to student!

Orders available in the Library, online and from students; order forms must be returned by January 5, 2006.

Checks payable to BWHS



Order form shown below.



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