



Parent Newsletter Middle School



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Beginning With Children Charter Middle School is striving for Success For ALL!

Parent Teacher Conference– Spring



During the conferences, Report Cards will be distributed. Teachers need your help to do a first-class job. Together, you can help your child meet their goals and surpass the grade level expectations Before you attend the meeting...

Make a list: List topics to discuss with the teacher. Along with questions about academics and how to support your child. You may want to talk to the teacher about the state mandated requirements for promotion. If your child's promotion is in question be ready to make a list of the expected mandates your child has to meet to qualify for a June promotion.

Ask Questions: Questions you ask during the conference can help you express your hopes for the scholars success in class and for the teacher. It's a good idea to ask the important questions first, to maximize the valuable time you have with the teachers.

The teachers' answers should help you both work together positively. Thank you for your continued support!

Scholars' Weekly Academy will not be in session on February 16, 2012.

Scholar Club Academy will not be in session on February 17, 2012.

Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Thursday

February 16, 2012

5:00pm-7:30pm

Scholars dismissed at
3:10pm

Friday

February 17, 2012

1:00pm-3:00pm

Scholars dismissed at
12:00noon

**Promotion in Doubt
Letters will be mailed on
February 1, 2012**

Winter Recess

February 20, 2012—February 24, 2012

SCHOOL CLOSED

Please be reminded that Beginning with Children Charter Schools will be closed.

Please make accommodations.

School Leadership Team Meeting will held on **February 14, 2012 at 5:00pm** in the Middle School Library

The Parent/Teacher Association Meeting will be on

Tuesday February 14, 2012 at 6:00pm in the Middle School Auditorium.

After the meeting, the following awards will be distributed...

Scholar of the Month, Scholar of Literacy Creativity, Scholar of Mathematics and the Scholar of Scientific Exploration.

Thank you for your support!

Parent Workshops

Parents you are urged to attend the instructional workshops facilitated by BwCCS Teachers. Crucial information is provided. We value your time and the support of the scholars.

Special Events:

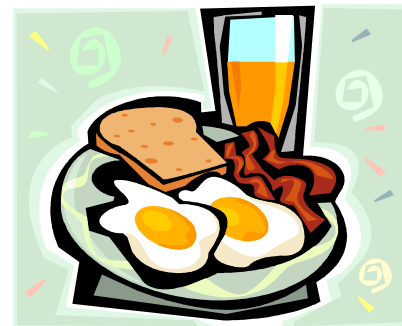
Principal's Breakfast:

February 3, 2012

9:00am-10:00am

Middle School Café

**All Parents K-8 are
Welcomed!**



Science Scholar
Academy for Select
Scholars

Mondays

3:00pm-4:00pm



**Bake Sales February 1, 2012
and February 3, 2012**

Please donate baked goods to support our scholars' fundraising! Parent volunteers are requested.

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Mission Statement

Beginning with Children Charter School is a diverse, caring and nurturing learning community that fosters high academic achievement and the development of ethical character for elementary and middle school scholars. An enriched curriculum and dynamic partnerships between the school, families and community enable all scholars to excel. Continual assessment and evaluation enhance the educational program. BwCCS prepares graduates for success in high school, college and beyond by developing independent thinkers and active citizens.

Parent Workshops

Parent Writing Workshop with Ms. Emanuel in Room 413 . Afternoon & Evening Sessions

Tuesday, February 14, 2012

12:10pm– 1:00pm

Tuesday, February 14 2012

4:00pm– 5:00pm

Receive Curriculum Expectations, Portfolio Requirements, Materials, Skills and Strategies to support your child in writing.

**BwCCS Board Meeting
 Lower School Library
 Thursday, February 9, 2012
 5:30pm**

Guidance Corner

- **New York State English Language Arts and Math Test Information Workshop.** Thursday, **February 2, 2012; 5:30pm-6:30pm** in the Middle School Auditorium.
- **SAVE THE DATE!** Tuesday, **February 7, 2012; Charter School Advocacy Day;** Albany New York. We need parental support to attend with our scholars. Please email Nancy Pascal for additional information at npascal@bwcf.org. You can also call 212-437-8394 or visit www.nyccharterschools.org/advocacyday.
- High School acceptance letters are scheduled to be received in February. Ms. Margie Pardo; our Guidance Counselor will distribute the letters to the scholars.
- **Anti-Bullying Contest!** Submissions due **Monday, February 13, 2012.** Please see Ms. Margie Pardo our Guidance Counselor.

Spirit Week is February 13, 2012-February 17, 2012
The scholars will be participating in special events each day!

We are on the Web!
<http://www.bwccschool.org>

Homework Help

Homework help is available on Mondays and Fridays 3:10pm-5:10pm with Ms. Levine and Ms. Beaumont

Debate Team Tournament

Saturday, February 4, 2012
 Berkeley Carroll School
 181 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn NY
 Please attend and support our scholars!



Parent Book Club

Book of the Month

“Martin’s Big Words”



Written by Doreen Rappaport
 Illustrated by Bryan Collier
 Come and read what your child is reading with our Librarian Ms. DeLancy and Ms. Lewis.

Ethical Character Trait:

Courage

**Friday, February 17, 2012
 Room 401
 10:40am Middle School Library**

Valentine’s Day Dance

Middle School Gymnasium

Friday, February 10, 2012
 4:00pm-7:00pm
 \$5.00 or a Food Donation. The proceeds will be used to cater the event and to ensure that each scholar receives a Valentine’s Day treat.

The Valentine’s Day Dance is open to BwCCS Scholars & Parents
 The Scholars should be dressed festively in Black and White with a **Splash of Red** to celebrate the many friendships made this year!
 Parents, we need chaperones and a decorating committee.
 Please contact Ms. Szudzik and the Student Council to volunteer at cszudzik@bwccschool.org.

