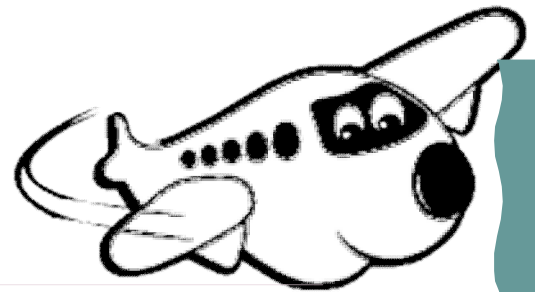


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Dates to Remember

Dec. 9—Family Movie Night. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Movie starts at 7 p.m.

NEXT GENERAL PTA MEETING will be held prior to the movie from 6:40-6:55 p.m.



An enormous THANK YOU to all who joined us for the Health & Wellness Week activities. We raised almost \$15,000 through the Golf Tournament, Walk-a-Thon, Family Night Out, and 5th grade concessions!!! This money will be used to fund teacher grants and various arts & cultural programs throughout the remainder of the school year, and will help send our 5th graders to Washington, DC!

Movie Night- take two! Come out on Friday, December 9th at 6:30 p.m. for "Mr. Popper's Penguins" in the Brier Creek cafeteria. Wear your PJ's & bring something comfy to sit on. Since proceeds will help our 5th graders go to DC, we suggest a \$5 donation per family. The 5th graders will be selling popcorn, snacks and drinks, and staffing a photo booth. Fun for the whole family!

On December 2, 2011 the PTA will sponsor the annual Holiday Teacher Appreciation Lunch for the teachers and staff. Many thanks to Elishia Rousos for organizing the catering donation from Mez Contemporary Mexican Restaraunt in Durham. Please help support our sponsors this holiday season and let them know how much we appreciate their generous support. For a complete list of sponsors, please visit our website.

We're off to a great start this year with Box Tops! Our first campaign totaled over \$1000 and will help fund various PTA projects. More than 20 classes were rewarded with a popcorn/movie treat. Don't stop clipping... our next campaign reward has already begun! The first class to turn in 1000 Box Tops during November and December will earn a pizza lunch! Take a moment to check out our school's earnings at www.btfе.com. While there, you can sign up to support BCES, use the eBoxTops to earn online points, and enter the bonus sweepstakes!

Triangle Kids Tennis will offer programs for kids ages 3-12 at Hoops City U at 4300 Emperor Blvd #250 Durham, NC 27703 (www.hoopscityu.com) including half and full-day track out camps; quick-start clinics; private, semi-private, & group lessons; parent nights out; and birthday parties. Please check out the website at www.trianglekidstennis.com and feel free to contact Nena Caruana at nenac@trianglekidstennis.com for any questions you might have.

Congratulations to our Volunteer of the Month, Elishia Rousos! Elishia and her husband, John, have two daughters, Lauren and Morgan, who attend BCES. We are very fortunate to have Elishia as a member of the PTA board as acting treasurer. So far this year, her role has far exceeded that of balancing the books. Elishia's efforts have resulted in the funding of four successful projects through DonorsChoose, upgrades for 15 staff laptops, and the receipt of another 15 donated staff laptops. Most recently, Elishia has been busy organizing the December Holiday Teacher Appreciation Luncheon and making catering arrangements with Mez Contemporary Mexican Restaurant. On behalf of the PTA and the entire BCES community, we thank Elishia for all her hard work and dedication!