

# BELMONT NEWS 2009-2010

October 2, 2009

## Principal's Corner



We have Parent Teacher Conferences coming up. These are important

communication opportunities for you and your family to learn more about what your child is learning, their strengths and areas of concern. Together we can promote success and achievement for all.

Parent Teacher Conferences are October 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. ***Conference schedules will be sent home with your child. If you have questions, contact your child's teacher.*** If you have questions about conferences, please call us at 436-1124.

**Behavior Intervention Support Team Discipline News:** This week I will share some "Guidelines for Thinking Through Problems with Children" that we use at Belmont.

- What is the problem that is created for the child by his own hurtful or disruptive behavior?
- What is it we want for the child?
- How can we support the child in changing?
- What will we do to support the child in changing?
- How will we teach the child more productive and responsible ways of reacting and behaving?

- What is the first step toward changing that the child will be expected to take?

Please help your child understand that they are not in trouble when they are in the Safe Seat. We use the safe seat as a way to protect them so they won't be in trouble. A bigger concern would be if they have to move to the Buddy Room 3 times in a week or if they are referred to the office because of a zero tolerance behavior or they wouldn't move to the safe seat or buddy room when asked.

**LPS Parent Center:** Did you know that you can find school calendars, forms and more at the following website just for LPS Parents:

<http://www.lps.org/parents/>

Check it out!!

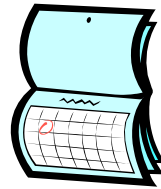
### Attendance:

We will continue to focus on attendance. An important part of school success is regular, on-time attendance. We will carefully monitor the attendance of each student and work with families to minimize the number of student absences and tardies. Lincoln Public Schools considers attendance a problem when a child misses 5 days of school.

Please call the school at 436-1124 by 8:10 a.m. and ask for the attendance secretary if your student will be absent or tardy. You may also call and leave a message on the voice mail.



**Balloons and Treats:** Due to health concerns, no balloon deliveries or birthday treats will be allowed at school. Please inform your friends and relatives.



**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**Office Hours:** *Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The school doors will lock at 3:30 pm. You may call in absences before or after these hours and leave a message on our answering machine. If you have questions, please give us a call (436-1124).*

--Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>—No School for LPS Elementary Students.

**Personal Items:** Please mark your child’s personal items with a permanent marker: coats, jackets, backpacks, etc. Please leave nuisance items at home. We can’t be responsible for them when they are at school.

--Tuesday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> - Belmont Parent Teacher Conferences starting at 3:15pm. Schedules will be coming home soon.

--Friday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>—Second Quarter CLC Club Registration.

--Monday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, Grades 1 and 4 X-Day, Camp Carol Joy Holling.

--Tuesday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>—Individual Student Picture Day. Order forms to come home soon.

--Tuesday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>—PLC Early Dismissal day. School dismisses at 1:35pm so that teachers can create instruction to meet our students needs.



**The Wizard Of Oz:** The Wizard of Oz will be performed on October 1 – 3 at 7:00 p.m. and October 4 at 2:30 p.m. at North Star

High School. Please call 436-1305 to purchase tickets or stop by the school office.

--Thursday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>—Grades 2-3 X-Day, Camp Carol Joy Holling.

--Friday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>—Grades K and 5 X-Day, Camp Carol Joy Holling.

--First Quarter Break, No School for LPS Students October 26-30<sup>th</sup>.

--Friday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, Report Cards go home.