

Briarwood Newsletter

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March 21, 2017

Mark Your Calendars for Progressive Dinner!

Mark your calendars for the evening of April 22 – it's Progressive Dinner Time! This annual fundraising event is a long-time Briarwood tradition, and a favorite evening among many.

For those who have not participated, it's a fun way to meet and mingle with new and old friends. To kick off the evening, from 6-7:30pm, Briarwood parents convene at one of two designated homes for appetizers. (Ahead of the event, everyone will receive an invitation to their assigned Appetizer House.) At the Appetizer House, everyone will receive their Dinner House assignments. (Dinner assignments are assigned randomly by event organizers.)

At 7:30pm, everyone heads to their Dinner House. Dinner House hosts provide dinner and drinks for about 4-6 couples, from approximately 7:45-9:15pm. After dinner, time to head to the Dessert House for sweet treats and more fun.

Cost to participate is \$50 per person. Click this link to sign up and pay online -- <https://casbid.com/briarwood> (The Progressive Dinner signup should be listed under Adult Sign-Up Parties.)

Questions? Contact maryseltzerboomer@gmail.com
Hope you can join us!

Important Upcoming Dates

- Thurs. April 6:
Skating Party - 4-6pm
Culver's Dining Partner
- Wed. April 12:
Preschool Story Time
- Fri. April 14:
No School for Staff Development
- Tues. April 18:
Kindergarten Enrollment – 6:30pm
- Sat. April 22
Progressive Dinner
- Wed. April 26 – Fri. April 28:
Used Book Fair
- Thurs. April 27:
Open House – 6-7:30pm
- Fri. April 28:
Second Grade Bike Rodeo
- Mon. May 1:
Big 9 Golf Challenge
- Thurs. May 4:
Early Dismissal – 12:30pm
Carnival – 5:30pm
- Fri. May 5:
No School for Staff Development

Register Now for the Big 9 Golf Challenge

We are limited on the number of teams that can register this year so get your foursome together!

Here is your chance to play golf AND support Briarwood!

Nine area schools will be competing for prizes and the chance to proudly display the Grand Champion trophy at their school. The Grand Champion team will win approximately \$2000 for their school.

Date: Monday, May 1, 2017

Tee Time: 8:00am. Check in begins at 7:30am. Lunch is included.

Format: 4-Person Scramble

Fee: \$150 per player

Place: Oakwood Country Club

Mulligans: \$20 (maximum 2 per player)

*Sponsorships available (\$200/hole)

Please go to www.briarwoodfoundation.org to print off your player registration form.

*If you are interested in a sponsorship or have questions please contact Heather Kimmel at 816.516.0908 or hkimmel1@me.com.

Message From Mr. Lash – Kansas Assessments

Teachers and students are focused on making their final preparations for the upcoming state assessments in grades 3-6. Our preparation for these assessments began in late summer and has been a part of our daily routine since the first day of school. Ongoing high-quality instruction using the districts state-aligned curriculum is the most effective way to prepare our students for success on the Kansas assessments.

All students in grades 3-6 will take the English Language Arts and Math Assessment. In addition, students in fifth grade will take the Science Assessment. More information about the Kansas Assessments can be found at <http://www.ksassessments.org/>.

If you have a child in grades 3-6, please look carefully at the testing schedule below so you can plan to have your child in attendance on those dates. Working together (teachers, school staff, students, parents), Briarwood students continue to excel on these standardized assessments. To help your child do their personal best on the upcoming state assessments make sure your child has the following:

- Good night sleep the night before the test.
- A healthy breakfast the morning of the test.
- Make sure they are at school the day of the test, unless they are sick.

Testing Schedule:

- English Language Arts Assessment, Grades 3-6
 - April 5, 6
- Math Assessment, Grades 3-6
 - April 11,12
- Science Assessment, Grade 5
 - April 17, 18

Mensaje del Sr. Lash – Evaluaciones de Kansas

Maestros y estudiantes están enfocados en hacer su preparación final para las próximas evaluaciones del estado en los grados del 3-6. Nuestra preparación para estas evaluaciones comenzó el verano pasado y ha sido parte de nuestra rutina diaria desde el primer día de clases. Instrucción en desarrollo altamente calificada usando el currículo educacional del distrito es el camino más efectivo para preparar a nuestros estudiantes para tener éxito en nuestras evaluaciones de Kansas.

Todos los estudiantes en grados 3-6 tomaran la evaluación de la clase de Lenguaje de Artes del inglés y Matemáticas. Además, estudiantes del quinto grado tomaran la evaluación de la clase de Ciencias. Más información sobre las evaluaciones de Kansas puede encontrarse en <http://www.ksassessments.org/>.

Si usted tiene un niño/a en los grados 3-6, por favor mire cuidadosamente abajo el calendario de evaluaciones para que usted pueda planear que su hijo/a asista y no falte esos días. Trabajando juntos (maestros, personal de la escuela, estudiantes, y padres), estudiantes de Briarwood continúan sobresaliendo en estas evaluaciones estandarizadas. Para ayudar a su hijo a que de lo mejor de el en las próximas evaluaciones del estado asegúrese que su hijo/a haga lo siguiente:

- Que duerma muy bien la noche antes del examen.
- Un desayuno saludable la mañana del examen.
- Asegúrese que estén en la escuela el día del examen, a menos que estén enfermos.

Calendario de las Evaluaciones:

- English Language Arts Assessment(Evaluacion de Lenguaje de Artes del Ingles), Grados 3-6
 - Abril 5, 6
 - Math Assessment(Evaluacion de Matematica), Grados 3-6
 - Abril 11,12
 - Science Assessment (Evaluación de Ciencia), Grado 5
 - Abril 17, 18
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Purchase Your "Slow Down" Sign to Support Briarwood



Warmer weather = kids playing outside. Keep your kids safe and support the Briarwood Foundation and PTA by purchasing this yard sign for \$20.

Please contact Heather Kimmel at hkimmel1@me.com or 816.516.0908 to purchase your sign.

Second Grade Families – Save the Date for the Bike Rodeo

2ND GRADE BIKE RODEO

When: Friday, April 28 (rainout day May 1)

Where: Briarwood playground

Time: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Practice bike safety, maneuver around a cool obstacle course and get tips from Officer Brian Wolf of the PV Police Department

IMPORTANT

Each student must have his/her own working bike and helmet in order to participate.

More info? Call Sara, 913-209-3255

email ssrieke@yahoo.com



ALSO IMPORTANT

Parents may drop bikes off early at school behind gated playground area Friday.

Please no later than 7:40 a.m.

(We cannot promise kids will fly. We can promise they'll have fun!)

Be on the lookout for more information to come home about the bike rodeo. Get excited about this great program that is now during the school day so that all 2nd graders can participate!



Shawnee Mission Area Council PTA Clothing Exchange

is

MOVING!

Effective March 27, 2017, the Clothing Exchange will now be located at:

Broadmoor Center

6701 West 83rd St | Overland Park, KS 66204

The Center will be closed Monday, March 20th,
normal Clothing Exchange days/hours will resume on Monday, March 27th.

Entrance to the Clothing Exchange is through Door #6, located in the back of the building (south).

MONDAYS	9am-11am	5pm-7pm
3/20/17	CLOSED	CLOSED
3/27/17	X	
4/3/17	X	
4/10/17		X
4/17/17	X	
4/24/17	X	
5/1/17	X	
5/8/17		X
5/15/17	X	
5/22/17	X	

Please text or send an email if you would like to volunteer, or need assistance with donations. We are happy to help!

Clothing Exchange Chair:
Sarah Baker | 913.706.9958
PTAClothingExchange@yahoo.com



The Clothing Exchange offers gently used clothing and shoes from infant to a adult sizes. The Exchange is open to those within the SMSD boundaries. Donations are made possible by SMSD residents. Casual, dress, formal, sports, and holiday wear are all available, and much more. **All** are welcome.

ID /S REQUIRED:

Proof of residency

- ⇒ Drivers License **-OR-**
- ⇒ Utility bill

-AND- (ADDITIONAL ID for socks/underwear)

Notice with family member name & SMSD school name or SMSD program

- ⇒ Current Report card
- ⇒ Logging into Skyward on your phone
- ⇒ Current Student ID card
- ⇒ Current letter signed and dated from a SMSD school administrator on letterhead

Each child, enrolled in the Shawnee Mission School District can receive **5 new pairs of socks and 5 new pair of underwear**, each semester (Aug-Dec & Jan-May). (please see ID requirements for details)

DONATE:

- ◇ Please ensure all items are clean and ready to wear.
- ◇ Donations may be left outside the Clothing Exchange doors—Door #6. (in the back of the building). A bin is available for drop-off.
- ◇ Please contact the chair to make larger donations.
- ◇ All donations are tax deductible. Donation receipts are available.

Lancer Softball

Spring Clinic 2017

Saturday April 15, 2017

Who: Grades: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th (2016-2017 School Year)

When: Saturday, April 16th 2016

What: Goal is to improve softball fundamentals and to have fun!

Fielding: Clinic 9:00am-10am

Hitting: Clinic 10am-11am

Cost: Attend both clinics for \$25

Where: SME Softball field, *SM East High School, 7500 Mission Rd*

Staff: SME High School Softball Coaches:

Chip Ufford, Dale Hurt, Hilary Sirridge and Kristin Guastafson

Deadline: April 15th

Walk ups welcome but will be charged a \$5 late registration fee.

Make checks payable to: Lancer Softball Booster Club

Mail form and money to: Chip Ufford, 7500 Mission Rd, PV KS 66208

Questions- Contact Chip Ufford 913-993-6656, email eaufford@smsd.org

Bring: Glove, bat, and batting helmet (tennis shoes in case we have to go inside due to weather)

You can also follow us on **twitter @smesoftball** for most up to date information and during the season

-----Detach and Return

Name _____ Grade _____ Email: _____

Phone# _____ Address _____

Please place an X on the clinic(s) you will be attending:

Fielding _____ 9:00am-10 am Hitting _____ 10:00am-11am

Attend both clinics for \$25.00

Acknowledgment of Risk

We/I the parent(s) or guardian(s) of _____ do hereby acknowledge and understand that our/my child named above may suffer injury participating in this activity. Having been so cautioned and warned, I give permission for my child to participate.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____



Earn Money for Briarwood While You Shop on Amazon

Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7152153> and designate Briarwood as your charitable organization. Briarwood will earn .5% from most purchases. Use the website <https://smile.amazon.com> each time you shop Amazon. All of your account information will remain the same but you'll be raising money for Briarwood as you shop. It's easy!

2016-17 PTA Executive Committee

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