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From the Principal
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Carta del Director

January 13, 2012

Reminder: No School on Monday – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Dear Beacon Hill International School Families,

Next week, on Tuesday evening from 6:00 – 8:00, we are having our annual **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Family celebration and potluck**. This is an annual BHIS event where students in every grade level perform parts of Dr. King's speech and sing songs and read poems that celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. King. Dr. King's message of peace, partnership, equality and justice for people of all cultures and backgrounds is one that directly aligns with our mission here at BHIS. This family gathering is one of our most popular events. **Please come, bring a dish to share, and help us celebrate the life of Dr. King.** The potluck starts at 6:00. Performances start at 6:30. (We could also use volunteers to help with set-up, serving, monitoring, and clean-up. If you're able to help in any capacity, please contact Allison (PTA President) at allisondelong@yahoo.com or call Nancy Fujimoto (volunteer coordinator) at 252.2700. Hope to see you there!

Snow in the Forecast for Next Week

The last time I checked, I noticed that they're forecasting snow next week. If it does snow, please remember: There are a number of ways to see if school is 1) starting on-time, 2) closed for the day, 3) 2 hours late with buses on snow routes, or 4) 2-hours late with buses on normal routes. You can check www.SchoolReport.org for up-to-date information. You can watch your favorite local news show. You will also receive an automated phone call from the school district. If the report mentions, AM or PM kindergarten, please note that *does not* apply to Beacon Hill. We only have ALL DAY Kindergarten which follows the same schedule as the rest of the school. Snow routes for buses were sent to your homes in November.

PTA Annual Fund Has an Inspirational Challenge!

During winter break, a group of anonymous donors offered to donate \$3,000 in matching for this year's annual fund which is going on now! If you donate at any amount to the PTA right now, your donation will be doubled - up to a total of \$3,000. Please consider donating now. Any amount helps. You can send in a check made out to the BHIS PTA to the main office. Thanks!

Sincerely,

Mr. Aramaki – 校長荒牧 - Gg. Aramaki - *Sr. Aramaki*

Announcements *Avisos* 公告 Paunawa **Thông báo** *Ogagsiis*

- **Safety Announcement: Construction Work at Hill Street and 14th Coming Soon** – For 2 weeks starting on Jan. 16th, there will be construction on a property near Hill and 14th (our main intersection). For the duration of the construction, there will be no parking on Hill Street from the alley (mid-way down the street) to 14th. The sidewalk on the west side of 14th between Hill and S. Walker Street will be closed. Our crossing guards will be there to help guide families who walk. People who drive can still use Hill Street; however, we recommend families only drive west-bound on Hill Street during

construction.

- **December “On Time and Ready to Learn!” Awards!** Each month, we are awarding prizes (in partnership with the City of Seattle) to the classrooms who have the fewest number of tardy (late) students. For the month of December, the winning class was **A3 - Señorita Ritzer’s class!** In second place for December was **C3 – Ms. Lewicki’s class!** Congratulations to those students! Parents, please keep working hard to get your children here on time!
- **Lunar New Year** – This year, we will not be having a Lunar New Year celebration. Typically, BHIS celebrates Lunar New Year every other year. However, because of how close Lunar New Year is to our MLK Jr. Day Celebration and because we couldn’t find coordinators for the event this year, we are instead planning an all-school, end-of-year international celebration. Stay tuned for more details.
- **Save the Date: Mandarin Immersion & Spanish Immersion Parent Meetings** – As we prepare to grow our immersion programs to 4th grade this coming year, the PTA and I would like to give families in the two immersion programs the opportunity to get together, share experiences, give feedback, and learn more about the program and how we’re planning to grow it into 4th and 5th grades and into middle school. The Mandarin Immersion Parent Night is scheduled for February 8th from 6:30 – 8:00. The Spanish Immersion Parent Night is scheduled for February 15th from 6:30 – 8:00. Both meetings will be held in the library. Childcare will be provided thanks to our PTA. Details will come out next week.

<i>Calendar</i>	<i>Calendario</i>	日历	Kalendaryo	Lich	Taarikhda
January 16	NO SCHOOL – MLK Jr. Day				
January 17	6:00 – 8:00 MLK Jr. PTA Family Celebration				
January 24	** 3 Hour Early Dismissal – Teacher furlough afternoon. School dismisses at 12:00 Noon. Students will have lunch prior to going home.				
January 27	NO SCHOOL				
January 31	6:00 – 8:00 Latino Family Meeting				
February 1	2 Hour Early Dismissal – School dismisses at 1:00				
February 8	6:30 – 8:00 Mandarin Immersion Parent Meeting				
February 15	6:30 – 8:00 Spanish Immersion Parent Meeting				
February 16	1:00 – 2:00 Global Reading Challenge (Library) 6:30 – 8:00 Prospective Family Information Night (MPR)				
February 17	Free Dress Day				
February 20	NO SCHOOL – Presidents Day				
February 21 – 24	NO SCHOOL – Mid-Winter Vacation				
February 27 – March 6	Open Enrollment for elementary, middle and high school				
February 28	9:15 – 10:45 School Tour for Prospective Parents				
March 1	9:15 – 10:45 School Tour for Prospective Parents				

<i>For Translation Support</i>	<i>Para Apoyo en Traducción</i>	對於翻譯支持
Tagalog – Ms. B @ 252-2682	Đôi vói ḍị ch H̄ ã tṛ	Caawin Tarjumaan
Tagalog – Ms. B @ 252-2682	<i>Español</i> – Ms. Chilo @ 252-2681	<i>Español</i> – Ms. Taylor @ 252-2681
Somali – Mr. Abdi @ 252-2682	<i>Việt</i> – Ms. Le @ 252-2682	<i>Español</i> – Srta. Lorena @ 252-2681
廣東話/台山話/普通話 – Ms. Wong @ 252-2670		普通話/粵語/台灣話 – Ms. Lee @ 252-2670