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A hardcopy and e-mail version of this newsletter are sent out each Friday. If you aren't receiving an e-mail copy, but would like one, please e-mail Ms. Diana at dfuruta@seattleschools.org so that she can add your e-mail to your child's school information.

October 26, 2012

Dear Beacon Hill International School Families,

Can you believe that November is just around the corner? These first two months of school have flown by. Looking ahead, you'll notice on the calendar below that students have many days off over the next two months due to parent-teacher conferences, Thanksgiving and winter break. Despite all these days with no school, the next two months are critical for supporting children academically.

Parent-teacher conferences are a very important time for you to connect with your child's teacher about your child's progress in school. Please make sure you are signed up for a conference with your child's morning teacher, and try to avoid scheduling vacations during conference week. In an upcoming newsletter, I will share tips on how to have a productive conference. Please plan to attend your child's conference. K-4 families will have conferences with their child's **morning teacher** only. The morning teachers will share how your child is doing both in the morning and afternoon class.

Also, while vacations/breaks are natural times for your children to enjoy extended family and friend time, it's also critical that they **keep up with their reading** and studies. The Beacon Hill Read-A-Thon is coming up on November 8th (see announcement below) and is a great kick-off to setting strong reading habits, stamina and goals for the winter months. Please encourage your children to read as much as possible at home during breaks. Research shows that the more time a child spends reading, the stronger a reader they will become. More time = more skill. It's that simple!

Sincerely,

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

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

- **No Halloween Costumes on Monday** – Beacon Hill has a “No Halloween Costume” policy. On Wednesday, please be sure that your child wears his/her uniform. It'll be a typical learning day for all students.
- **The Read-A-Thon is Coming!** The Read-A-Thon is one of the PTA's main fundraisers, and your last opportunity of the year to give a tax-deductible donation. This daytime event has students reading and hearing stories all day long; students collect donations from friends and family for their reading. Be sure to collect your donations for Read-A-Thon, which is happening at school on November 8th. Students, staff and family volunteers may wear **pajamas** to school on that day! If pajamas aren't worn, students wear their uniforms.
- **Original Art Fundraiser with Ms. Logel** – A reminder that orders are due Friday,

Nov. 2nd.

- **Scholastic BOOKFAIR is coming!** We will have our annual Scholastic Bookfair in the BHIS Library during conference week. The students will have a chance to “preview” the bookfair a week before the bookfair begins. Your student will be bringing home a flier with some of the titles that will be for sale during the fair. If you would like to preorder a book or two please send a check and make it out to “Beacon Hill PTA” and add Washington state sales tax (.095 or roughly 10c per dollar – if it’s a five dollar book the total would be \$5.50). Date and hours are:
 - Thursday, November 15th 8:30 – 4:00
 - Friday, November 16th 8:30 – 4:00
 - Monday, November 19th 11:30 – 8:00
 - Tuesday, November 20th 10:00 – 6:00
 - Wednesday, November 21st 8:30 – 12:00

We will be open before and after school to families. To avoid students from missing any of their lunchtime, this year, students will be brought in with their class to purchase books – we will NOT be open during lunch. So the whole family can participate, we will also be open during conferences if you want to help your child choose some books. Please come and generously support our fair this is our only fundraiser and all profits come directly back to our library to purchase more library books.

- **Volunteers Needed for Bookfair!** Ms. Thompson needs volunteers for the bookfair. Please e-mail her at mathompson@seattleschools.org if you’re interested in helping out.
- **Help! Missing Library Books!** Calling all Beacon Hill International School library books!! We have had a surge of “missing or lost” library books that need help to find their way back to our library. Please look in your bookshelves, cars, beds for our books. We miss them desperately and would hate to have to use all of our bookfair profits to buy new copies!
- **Community Safety Meeting** – FYI, the Seattle Police Department is holding a community safety meeting on 10/29 from 6:45 – 8:45 at Southshore K-8 (4800 S. Henderson).

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Oct. 29	School Pictures Go Home (check your child’s backpack)				
Oct. 31	Halloween – No costumes please (see announcement above) 2 Hour Early Dismissal – School dismisses at 1:00 PM				
Nov. 2	Original Art Fundraiser Orders Due in Main Office				
Nov. 6	Election Day – Please vote!				
Nov. 12	NO SCHOOL – Veteran’s Day				
Nov. 19-21	NO SCHOOL – Parent Teacher Conferences – Please make sure you have scheduled a conference with your child’s morning teacher				
Nov. 22-23	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Holiday				
Dec. 21	1-Hour Early Dismissal				
Dec. 24 – Jan. 4	NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK				
Jan. 7	First Day Back from Winter Break				

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