

**BLOOMSBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SCHOOL NOTES – JANUARY 30, 2012**

BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP – Tuesday, January 31st at 7 PM.

REPORT CARDS – Distributed Tuesday, January 31st.

GEO BEE – Attention all Geo Bee Enthusiasts! The Geo Bee is back! Come get your registration forms from either Mrs. Mottley or Mrs. Glackin. **Forms are due back by Friday, February 3rd**. The Geo Bee will be held on Wednesday, February 22nd in the morning for grades. 3-5, Thursday, February 23rd in the morning for grades. 6-8 and the top 3 teams from both age groups will compete for the title on Thursday, February 23rd in the afternoon.

STUDENT COUNCIL SOCIAL – GRADES 1-4 – Friday, February 3rd. 3-5 PM in the all-purpose room.

YOUNG ARTISTS CLUB – Thursday, February 2nd. 3-5 PM.

STUDENT COUNCIL – Monday, February 6th at 3-4 PM.

YEARBOOK REMINDER – Yearbook orders are due **February 24th**. Cost is \$24. Please make checks payable to BES and send in to attn. Tina Glackin. Line sponsors also due February 24th. Cost is \$8.

SELF HARMING PRESENTATION – Please join us for an information presentation exploring the topic of self harming. Karen Widico and Jean Ciullo from Hunterdon Prevention Resources will be presenting in the all-purpose room on Thursday, February 2nd at 7 PM. A similar presentation at a more age appropriate level will be delivered to our middle school students on the afternoon of Tuesday, February 7th.

8th GRADE BES VALENTINE'S DAY CARNATION SALE – Orders will be accepted through Wednesday, February 8th and delivered on Tuesday, February 14th. Color – assorted (red, pink, white). \$1.00 each CASH ONLY! Proceeds go towards 8th grade graduation and the end of the year field trip. Order forms will go home with students today.

8th GRADE FUNDRAISING – BES 8th grade fundraising efforts are underway again this year and we're excited to be selling Fun Pasta! With your generous support we will be able to offset the cost of our 8th grade trip, class gift and graduation expenses. 40% of your order will directly support our efforts. So please see any 8th grade student for a catalog and to place your order. Thank you for your support!

2012-2013 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRRTION – Kindergarten Registration will be on March 7 & 8, 2012, by appointment only. Please call the school (908-479-4414 x. 0) to schedule an appointment if you have a child who will be 5 by October 1, 2012. Students currently in the BES Preschool do not have to go through this process. They are already registered for Kindergarten.

BOX TOPS – Great news! BES has met their GOAL for Box Tops. The goal was \$470.00 and we already have \$389.00 and there is about \$186.00 more. So we are having a Box Tops contest, starting now thru February 15th. The drawing will be at the next PTO meeting. Turn in sheets of 10 or sandwich bags of 50. Every 10 box tops is one entry. I wish everyone their best! Keep the Box Tops coming!

GREENWICH TWP. RECREATION – Spring 2012 baseball, softball and boys lacrosse sign-ups are now open through January 31st. Online registration is preferred at <http://www.greenwichtownship.org/gtrc>. Late fee will be applied after February 1st until February 15th. Registration will not be accepted after this date. Contact Chris Smith at 908-370-6507 if you have any questions.

GREENWICH TWP. RECREATION – Girl's lacrosse is looking for a few more players. 6 spots are available on the 3rd/4th grade team. 6 spots are available on the 5th/6th grade team. Registration re-opens February 1-15. There is a limit to 6 players for each team, so register today! Please go to <http://www.greenwichtownship.org/gtrc> for more information.

PENNIES FOR PATIENTS – Student Council is collecting your spare change to make change in the lives of those diagnosed with Leukemia, Lymphoma, and other blood disorders. All donations are in honor of 5th grade student Stephen Murphy, who was diagnosed with leukemia in 2005. Checks may be made payable to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Online donations may be made online at www.schoolandyouth.org/nj and clicking on Bloomsbury Elementary School. All proceeds are donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Thank you for your support!

LEUKEMIA AND LYMPHOMA SOCIETY "THANK YOU" T-SHIRTS – Are on sale featuring the original artwork of Stephen Murphy, 5th grade BES student and Leukemia and Lymphoma Society t-shirt contest winner for 2012! T-shirts are \$15.00 each and may be ordered in adult size S, M, L, and XL. Colored drawing depicts a doctor in a boxing ring knocking out a cancer cell with the slogan "Thank You for Beating Cancer." Please contact JoAnna Murphy at 908-479-6763 or murphyblmsbry@aol.com to place an order. Thank you for your support!

HOMEWORK CLUB – Grades 1-5. Mondays and Tuesdays – 3-3:45 PM.

SOUP-ER BOWL SUNDAY – *We need your soup!! A BES PTO Tailgate Fundraiser on Sunday, February 5th, 12:00 - 2:00 PM Tailgate Pick-up.* We Need Your Help!! Here's what you can do: **1.** Volunteer to donate a home-made or store bought quart of soup of your choice by contacting a Soup-er Bowl Committee member. We need to know which kind and how much you are making by Friday, January 27th. **2.** Submit your recipe to ceweger@ptd.net so it can be included with the sale of your soup/item. We will compile all the recipes ahead of time listing all the ingredients for the purpose of allergy/medical information for anyone who is interested. **3.** Drop off your warm or cold soup in a clear plastic soup container on Sunday, February 5 between 11:00 AM and 12 Noon at the school. (unless prior arrangements are made with soup committee member) **4.** Soup will be available for purchase on Sunday, February 5th from 12 Noon till 2:00 PM. Pay with either cash or check made payable to BES PTO. Pre-orders will be made available closer to the sale date when we know better what kinds are available. **5.** Look for other food items also available for purchase on day of sale. For more information: Cheryl Weger ceweger@ptd.net

KIDS BINGO – Friday, February 24th. 6:00 PM. \$5 for adult and child. Please contact Brandi Booth with any questions 908-892-4461

PTO VARIETY SHOW – Friday, March 16th at 7 PM. Mark your calendars! Applications are being sent home. Questions? Contact Patty Decker 908-303-0199