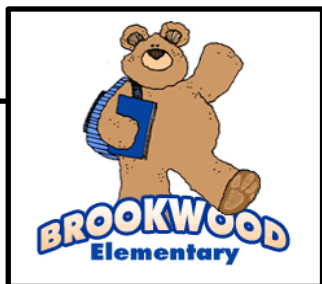


THE BROOKWOOD BEAR BULLETIN

A Brookwood PTA Publication

MAY 2013



Principal's Message:

Congratulations to Mrs. Rotermund. Not only is Mrs. Rotermund the Brookwood teacher of the year, she was also selected as the Canyons Teacher of the Year. This is such an honor for Brookwood and Mrs. Rotermund. Mrs. Rotermund will now enter the state competition for the Utah Teacher of the Year. We are fortunate to have such a gifted teacher at Brookwood. Please come to the Real Salt Lake soccer game this Saturday to celebrate all of the Canyons teachers of the year. Each school will have a teacher to celebrate. Discount tickets are available on the school or district website.

Brookwood has the best teachers in the district. Be sure to thank you teacher during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6-10th. Brookwood teachers come early and stay late to make your child's learning experience the best.

Support from parents comes in many forms. Some parents are able to come to school and volunteer in the classrooms and on special projects. Others help out from home or work. However, every parent has an opportunity to be supportive and to help children to be their best with the attitude they display. I know working together, as a team, we can give our children the education they deserve.

I would also like to thank our teachers and staff for the support and caring attitude our children feel each day. Brookwood Elementary has one of the finest groups of people I have ever worked with. I am honored to be a part of the Brookwood Team!

The PTA at Brookwood deserves a special thank you. Denise Richard, Kathryn Turley and the executive board have worked tirelessly to help support our children and the programs at Brookwood. Our School Community Council, under the direction of Channa Vyvinkel, has been very supportive of our students and school.

May is a very important month for students at Brookwood. The students will take part in many culminating activities and also participate in the end of the year testing. It is important for students to be well rested, have a good breakfast and be on time, especially during test week. Please make sure your children don't miss out on these academic opportunities.

Thank you again to the many people that make Brookwood Elementary such a nice place to be. Remember to be Bucket Fillers all summer long. Brookwood Bears are always SAFE, KIND & RESPONSIBLE.

Mrs Julie Mootz

Dates for your calendar:

May 6 – 10	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 16	Fun Run
May 27	No School – Memorial Day
June 6	Field Day
June 7	Last day of school

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News from the PTA....

As we near the end of the school year, PTA commissioners are busy planning more fun activities. We hope everyone can come out and support these commissioners during Teacher Appreciation Week, the Fun Run and Field Day. Erin Harries is diligently working to complete her planned Hands on Science experiments and always needs a few extra volunteers.

We would like to thank all of our wonderful commissioners and volunteers for an awesome year! We would not have had such a successful year without you. It has been our pleasure to work with all the amazing volunteers this year and we are grateful for all of your hard work.

Have a great Summer break!

Denise Richard and Kathryn Turley
PTA co-presidents

IF YOU HAVE ANY OUTSTANDING RECEIPTS AND YOU NEED TO CLAIM MONEY BACK FROM THE PTA PLEASE SUBMIT THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE NEED TO HAVE THEM TAKEN CARE OF BEFORE SCHOOL ENDS.

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TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

May 6 to 10

Let us to show our teachers how much we appreciate them for everything that they do for us.

Save the date.....

FIELD DAY

Thursday, 6 June

Volunteers needed to assist us at this fun event.
Please contact Laura Nielsen at 801-349-9008

SCIENCE FAIR co-ordinator needed for the 2013/2014 school year. If you are able to assist in any way please contact Anna Roumpos at annar5@g.com

VOLUNTEER MUSIC TEACHER NEEDED

We are in need of someone to teach our children at Brookwood all about music. Our current music teacher is moving away and needs a volunteer to take over from her.

Please contact Trina Beckstrand for more information...
801 942 2182 Home
801 573 8229 Cell
trina.beckstrand@gmail.com

Save the date.....

BROOKWOOD FUN RUN

Thursday, May 16th

4:45 - 5:30 pm Walk in Registration

6:00 Beat the Bear Kids Run (Pre-K to 2nd)

6:30 5K Race (Open to Everyone)

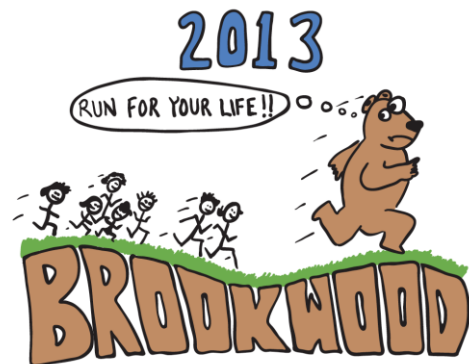
7:30 awards and prizes

dinner available - sandwich chips, drink & treat for \$3

online registration available at:

<http://brookwoodfunrun.eventbrite.com>

For questions contact:
Shelby Hales [801-930-9359](tel:801-930-9359)



Reflections

The theme for 2013/14 is....

Believe, Dream, Inspire

Start thinking of ideas over the Summer... we can't wait to see what you come up with!

Congratulations to [REDACTED]. Her photograph from this year won an award at the Canyons district level. A great achievement!

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Grade Level Updates

Kindergarten

We are excited to go to the zoo and see all the animals. We are working on subtraction as well as becoming such good writers. We have Kindergarten testing appointments coming up soon. They are May 15-17. We will not have school those days. Remember to sign up online. We want all of our kindergarteners to do their best so please continue working hard with your students. The school year is coming to an end. We have had so much fun. We have all learned and grown so much.

First Grade

In 1st grade we are busy working on Mother's Day, Plants and our academics. We still have a lot to learn and do. Please continue with homework until the very end of school. The math flashcards are very important, practice these every day this last month of school. We would love to see all the students have that good foundation for 2nd grade. We are also working on time and money. These are great one on one things to do with your child. Students benefit so much from your personal attention to what we are learning. Thanks for your support.

Important Dates in 1st Grade

May 14th- CBM Testing please be here

May 16th- Field Trip (if you are going with us please make sure you have been cleared with the district)

May 29th- Awesome Authors Don't miss this!!!! 2:30 in the gym

June 4th – Gold Medal Reading

June 7th – First Grade Fun Day (Room Mothers in charge)

Second Grade

May will be a busy and fun month of learning in second grade. We started the month off with a terrific field trip to This is the Place Heritage Park. We enjoyed learning about pioneer life and even did some chores at an authentic pioneer home. The children loved seeing and petting chicks, ducks, goats, sheep, pigs, and bunnies at the barnyard. At the barber shop we found out that you could get a tooth pulled or your tonsils out as well as a haircut. A train ride around the park taught us some more interesting facts about Utah pioneers. A big thanks to all the parents that joined us on our field trip.

In reading we recently had a great time doing pet reports. We are now in our last reading unit and will enjoy reading, writing, and discussing the topic of Traditions. In math we will be doing three digit addition and subtraction and will do a little multiplication before the year is over.

End of year testing is coming up. We are working hard on math and reading skills and fluency. We appreciate all the time you spend at home practicing these skills. It makes a world of difference for your child.

We can't thank all our parent volunteers enough for their dedicated service in our classrooms. Hands on Science and Meet the Masters have been wonderful additions to our curriculum. Thank you so much for sharing your time and talents with all of us in second grade.

Third Grade

MATH for May includes Topic 20 on Data, Graphs, and Probability. Then we will split the students up into groups and they will get assigned days with each teacher for all review lessons in prep for End of Year Testing.

Our ticket book for the final six weeks is all about earning prize tickets. The student's win small prizes in a class ticket draw on Fridays. Final Activity is scheduled for June 4th.

Student's tickets should get signed on Fridays and returned by Monday. It's the student's responsibility to work off infractions! Remember lost tickets CANNOT BE REPLACED.

Third graders and their parents are invited to attend our Hoedown program on May 2nd beginning at 6:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to May 9th for Hands On Science day with fun learning activities, puppet shows produced by students each week in May, cleaning day and talent show on June 5th, and School Field Day on June 6th.

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Fourth Grade

What a terrific year! A huge thank you to all the parents who helped with field trips and the Rendezvous. It is always a great treat to culminate our Utah Studies with such a wonderful event.

We will have our year end testing May 6th & 7th, 13th & 14th, and 20th & 21st from 11:30-12:30. If your child is going to miss any of those days, please let us know as soon as possible so we can give them the test earlier. Make sure your student is well rested with a good breakfast. Thank you parents for sharing your wonderful children with us. We appreciate your continued support and help.

Summer suggestions: READ, READ, READ!; multiplication and division drills; visit all the fun counties you learned about this year.

Fifth Grade

We can hardly believe how quickly this school year has gone. We have loved our time with your children. The list of important dates, below, can show what a busy month we have ahead of us! It will be a busy, but also a very fun month. We are excited to have a fantastic end to the year!

Important dates:

- May 6 - 8 – Science CRT testing
- May 13 - 15 – Language Arts CRT Testing
- May 17 – State Reports due!
- May 20 - 22 – Math CRT testing
- May 20 – 24 – Oral presentation for state reports
- May 27 – Memorial day – no school
- May 30 – Fifth Grade program for the school
- May 31 – Fifth Grade Program – parents are invited, more information to come
- June 3 – JA City Day
- June 4 – Swim Day at Cottonwood Community Center
- June 6 – Field Day!
- June 7 – Last Day of School! Goodbye fifth grade, hello middle school!

Thank you for all your support! We love working with your children.

Sixth Grade

May looks to be a busy and fun month. We will begin Criterion Based Testing on the 6th. Remember to get a good night's rest and eat a good breakfast on the day of tests. We will finish our country reports with an International Fair on May 17th. Many thanks to all the parents who have helped this year. We have had a great year and our many programs would not have been a success without your help.

Here is a reminder of our May and June activities:

- 5/6 - 10 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/6 - 7 Criterion Based Testing / language arts
- 10/5 - MCOMP/MCAP
- 5/13 - Fieldtrip to Clark Planetarium
- 5/14 - 15 Criterion Based Testing / science
- 5/16 – Fun Run
- 5/16 and 20 - Criterion Based Testing / mathematics
- 5/6 - 5/16 Country Oral Presentations
- 5/17 - International Fair / Food Festival
- 5/27 - Memorial Day - no school
- 5/30 - Hands on Science / create bottle rockets
- 5/31 - Hands on Science / rocket launch
- 5/31 - May Club
- 6/5 – tote-tray, books, ruler, scissor, clipboard collected
- 6/5 – Cruise / Dance
- 6/6 – Field Day / Class Auction
- 6/7 - Softball / Slide Show / Awards (Kiva) 9:15 - 12:30