



# THE BRIER BULLETIN

June 17, 2008

Greetings Brier Families,

## WE MADE IT!

This week brings our 2007-2008 school year to a close! What an incredible year it has been! It has been a year that has brought laughter, smiles, tears, and learning to each and every one of us. For me, this year has reminded me of the incredible importance of partnerships between our school and our families. Your support, encouragement, and involvement in our school make Brier a wonderful place to be! I thank you all for an incredible first year as your Brier Elementary School Principal. It has been an absolute pleasure and very rewarding experience!

I want to wish our Sixth Graders a special goodbye! As I mentioned at graduation, each of you take many pieces of our hearts with you as you leave Brier Elementary and enter into middle school. You will be missed, you will be thought of often, and you will be on your way to reaching for the stars. We are all very proud of you and wish only the best for each of you! Go out there and make your dreams come true Brier Bobcats. We're rooting for you!

If you are moving away from Brier throughout this summer, we will miss you! Remember, once a Bobcat, always a Bobcat. Wherever you go, take your lifelong learning skills with you and do your best!

Tomorrow, we will celebrate the very last day of school this year with our last day of school assembly starting at 9:30. During this assembly, our band and orchestra will perform, STARS will perform, and all of our student helpers and leadership groups will be recognized for their dedication throughout the year. Please feel free to join us for this assembly if you can! We'll see you in the gym.

Brier Families, enjoy your summer! I hope for sunny days, water balloons, lemonade stands, family reunions, swimming, and fishing! I wish for all of our families, fun times filled with laughter, friends that make the summer days so much more fun, and family bonds that build never-ending memories! We will see you all back September 2<sup>nd</sup> for a brand new school year! We will send more information in August regarding our "Meet the Teacher" event.

Let me leave you with a fun poem that brings to life those summer days ahead!

Summer is freedom,  
laughter and joy;  
small pig-tailed darling,  
mischievous boy;  
shaded green valleys,  
streams running free;  
exploring the forest,

climbing a tree.

Summer is dreaming,  
long lazy days;  
far-off horizons,  
flower strewn ways;  
a whole wondrous world  
all of us own;  
distant adventures,  
coming back home.

A small part of heaven  
so much delight;  
fishin' and swimmin'  
from dawn until night;  
hearts that are roaming,  
minds bright and free;  
eyes that know wonder,  
that's summer to me.

~ By Garnett Ann Schultz ~

We will miss you during our time away Brier Families! Have a safe, fun, sunshine-filled summer everyone!

Sunshine Smiles,

Tori Thomas, Principal

**The on-line Brier Bulletin has changed!!!** It is now available on our school maintained website, both past and present issues! Paste this link into your favorites:

<http://staff.edmonds.wednet.edu/brier/default.html> and you are ready to go!

Please notify the school office if you no longer need a paper copy. ***Thank you for saving us time and cost by opting out of receiving a paper copy.***

## Calendar of Events

6/17 FT- 6<sup>th</sup> grade @ Brier Park 9:30-3:30pm

6/17 Last day for Mrs. Murphy's PM Kindergarten class

6/18 Celebration Assembly 9:30am All parents are welcome to attend

6/18 NO FOOD SERVICE TODAY! (Breakfast or lunch)

6/18 No school for Mrs. Murphy's PM Kindergarten class

6/18 Early Dismissal at 12:10pm

6/18 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER

8/28 Meet the Teacher 3:00-4:00pm

9/2 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!!

# Information for Families

## REMINDERS:

- **Report cards** are going home on the last day of school. If your student will not be here on the last day of school, please send a self-addressed envelope and the report card will be mailed home.
- **Yearbooks** - Extra copies will be for sale at \$11.25 each. Please make your check payable to Kids Photography or send exact change.
- Please check the **lost and found** in the staff lounge for any missing coats and sweatshirts. Any unclaimed items will be sent to Clothes for Kids at the end of June.
- If you accidentally took a volunteer or visitor badge home, please return it to school with your child. Thank you!
- **Frisbees** – the Frisbee that your child is bringing home on the last day of school was donated by Dale Chihuly (the glass artist). Enjoy!

The Science Fair Committee would like to announce that Science Fair for 2008-2009 will take place in **March**. Due to a number of factors, we have changed the date. Please mark your calendars! We look forward to sharing this special event with you.

## 2008-09 School Year Calendar

- **Meet the Teacher**, August 28<sup>th</sup> 3:00-4:00
- **First Day of School**: September 2, 2008
- **Veterans' Day**: November 11, 2008
- **Thanksgiving Break**: November 27-28, 2008
- **Winter Break**: December 22, 2008 – January 2, 2009
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**: January 19, 2009
- **Presidents' Day Break**: February 16-17, 2009
- **Spring Break**: March 30 – April 3, 2009
- **Memorial Day**: May 25, 2009
- **Last Day of School**: June 16, 2009