Great Things are Happening at B-T

Special Guest to Visit B-T
Author, educator, and psychologist Dr. JoAnn Deak will visit Brownell-Talbot School March 20-21.

She will lead a faculty workshop March 20 and will present a public lecture March 21. Tickets for the lecture are available at brownell.edu/deak.

B-T Student Project
Emalie Wightman, 5th grade daughter of Jack Wightman and Anna Castner Wightman, has taken on a very meaningful project to benefit the Stephen Center, a shelter in Omaha that serves homeless men and women and their children.

Last week Emalie shared her idea with all of the B-T students during Chapel services. Her goal is to collect at least 200 toothbrushes and toothpaste for the center.

She has decorated collection boxes and placed them in view for families to drop off their donations. They can be found in Swanson Lobby, the main lobby, the fifth-sixth grade hallway, and outside my office.

Donations will be collected until Friday, February 22 (look for updates if we receive the forecasted inclement weather).

Please consider participating in this very worthwhile project. If you have any questions you can email Emalie at emwightm@brownell.edu

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Save Box Tops for Education

LEARN. THINK. ACT. Lead
ERB Testing – Making the Shift
Exciting changes are coming soon with the ERB testing process. ERB has moved to an engaging and efficient online format that tech savvy BT students will appreciate. Administration, faculty, and parents will now have immediate access to results and be better able to track students’ progress while informing our instructional practices. Early April we will pilot the online process with our eighth grade students.

For the 2013-14 school year, grades three through eight will test online early next fall instead of this spring. Brownell-Talbot sees the value of assessing skills in the fall so that scores reflect an entire academic year of instruction.

Music in Our Schools Month –
MUSIC EDUCATION, ORCHESTRATION SUCCESS

March is set aside to celebrate music!
Did you know…..
• that students in music test better on the SAT and ACT?
• that students who participate in the arts are more well-rounded than those who do not?
• that work in the arts uses a different part of your brain so your problem solving skills are stronger? THE FANTASTIC ELASTIC BRAIN!

Parents are invited to come and participate in music class the week of March 4-8 (on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday). Parents will shadow their students in a regular music class. All parents with preschoolers through fourth grade are invited to come join the creativity and fun of music class. Students are excited for their parents to come! The music schedule is as follows.

Other events to be aware of during this musical month!
*Check out the display in the Swanson Lobby. LS teachers and staff have shared their musical experiences with us!
*The Omaha Street Percussion will perform. They are like a STOMP group right in our own back yard!
*MS & US music groups performing for LS classes. Lastly, think about going to a concert as a family that performs your favorite style of music! Omaha has a wealth of venues to choose from!
Memorial Little League

In its 42nd year of bringing you Omaha’s best in youth recreation baseball and softball programs

Online registration is now open thru March 10, 2013.
Go to our website and follow registration links.
http://www.eteamz.com/memoriallittleleague/

Memorial Little League Baseball Registration Rates

- T-Ball (5-7) ..................... $ 85
- Farm (7-8) ..................... $115
- Minor (9-10) ................... $120
- Major (11-12) ............... $135
- Pony (13-14) ................. $135
- Colt Boys (15-16) .......... $185

Girls are eligible to play at all levels of Little League Baseball.

Memorial Little League Softball Registration Rates (Girls only)

- Farm (7-8) ...................... $110
- Minor (9-10) ................. $115
- Major (11-12) ............... $130

Late registrations will be assessed a fee, so don’t delay.