

BROADWAY BANNER

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER



FEBRUARY	
9	PTO meeting, 4 PM
15	Family Dance Night, 6:30 – 7:30 PM
16-17	NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
17	Conferences, 8-4 PM, not for all students
20	NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS OR STAFF
MARCH	
2	Picture Day
6	School of Choice begins, 10 AM online only
7	Pre-School Open House, 4:40-6:30 PM
10	Work Day- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
16	Bear Walk- new format this year
20-24	Spring Break
31	School of Choice ends, 4 PM online only

NEWS FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

SCHOOL OF CHOICE

The School of Choice application process will open at **10:00 am on Monday, March 6, 2017** and applications will be due on or before **March 31, 2017 at 4:00 pm**. The School of Choice applications will be submitted through an online application process. For parents who do not have internet access via their own computer, our school will provide computer access for parents to apply. Students who are currently attending Broadway under the School of Choice policy **do not** need to re-apply for the upcoming school year 2016-2017.

Burr.....it is cold outside! The weather has changed and it is time for coats, gloves, warm socks, boots and hats. Be sure your child is dressed for the weather- layering your child's clothing is a great option this time of year. The children will continue to have recess during the winter months. Please remember to label coats, hats and gloves. This helps reduce the amount of lost items.



FAMILY DANCE NIGHT



Come on out for an evening of family fun and good exercise too. Dances will be called by Broadway parent and dance instructor, Lana Rogal. Some local dance studios may also be present to share information with anyone who is interested.

This free event is being held in our cafeteria on February 15th from 6:30-7:30 PM. Dress for the occasion if you like in your poodle skirt, leather jacket, or bow tie and suspenders. Roll up those blue jeans! Pull out your saddle shoes!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Remember the playground is not supervised before 8:30 am or at any time after school. Children should NOT arrive on the playground until 8:30 am.

Keep your child at home if he/she has a temperature of 100 degrees or higher, OR has experienced vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours. A child who is not well does not benefit from attending school. Please make sure your child's emergency contact numbers are current – it's very important for us to be able to contact you or your designated person quickly.

Students are expected to arrive to class on time. When a child is late to school he/she misses out on important information and interrupts the classroom instruction. Our tardy bell rings at 8:50 a.m. If your child arrives late, parents need to come into the front lobby to sign their student(s) in the attendance book. The student(s) will get a pass to their classroom.

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Good news times two!

- 1) The D51 Foundation is recognizing Broadway Elementary as an Outstanding Growth School in D51. We will be receiving the award at the White Ice Party that is noted in this Banner. It is great to have our teachers and learners get recognized for all their excellent work and learning.
- 2) Right before Christmas break we were notified that the D51 Foundation and the Western Colorado Community Foundation combined to give the four elementary Performance Based Learning (PBL) demonstration sites a full cart of Chromebooks each for student use. This has increased our laptop/device ratio to one device for every student in Third, fourth and fifth grade at Broadway. This level of technology support allows for more access to instructional options that support Student Centered Learning and Performance Based Learning. We thank the Colorado Community Foundation and the D51 Foundation for these invaluable resources that will support our powerful change initiatives in the District and at Broadway.

Questions? I know that many parents are getting information from their children's teachers, and myself, about some of the structural, instructional and philosophical foundations that we are creating at Broadway. If you have questions around PBL or Student Centered Learning, please talk to teachers or me. We love to share what we are learning and creating. What we are doing at Broadway is my favorite topic of conversation!

An excellent national website, www.competencyworks.org, is posting a series of articles by Chris Sturgis (who visited the district and our school), about D51 and our work on Performance Based Learning. Here is a link to the first article that just came out: <http://www.competencyworks.org/case-study/designing-performance-based-learning-at-d51/> . We are excited to get this positive national attention for our work.

Lions Club cakes and Parade

In recognition of the Lions Club generous donation last year to our technology fund, we will be doing two things to support their carnival.

- 1) We will be donating cakes for their carnival cake booth on Feb. 18th. Please let Trish know if you are willing to bring in a cake for that.
- 2) Broadway will be marching in the Lions Club parade the morning of Feb. 18th. Please contact the office and let us know if you are interested in coming to the parade so we can plan and get you details.

KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP



We will be hosting Kindergarten Round Up this year on March 10th. The front office will be open from 8 am to 4 pm to pick up a registration packet and make copies of the required paperwork (see below). A short presentation and classroom tour with our Kindergarten teacher will be held before school begins. Date and time will be sent to all our new families.

Your child must be 5 on or before July 15th. You will need to provide a state issued birth certificate, immunizations, and proof of residency (ie, Xcel or Ute water bill, lease agreement).

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Will your child be 3 or 4 years old by July 15th? Mark your calendar to attend the Early Childhood Preschool Open House. Come visit with teachers, pick-up an application and have your questions answered about School District 51's preschool programs.

Please visit the Broadway Preschool program on Tuesday, March 7th from 4:30-6:30 pm in their modular located behind the main building. Please call 254-6430, extension 42152 if you have any questions.



NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY



Good news from our Scholastic Book Fair. Based on statistics generated from the Fall Book Fair, our school community walked away with **757 books**; this equates to **136,260 independent reading minutes**. WOW AND SHIVER ME TIMBERS! That's a lot of reading and these numbers should be celebrated! Thanks to everyone who helped Mrs. Johnson set up, volunteered at the Book Fair, or made purchases.

PTO NEWS

Thank you to all who attended the Cookies, Cocoa & Caroling evening. Fun was had by all and there was a lot of great chili and cookies donated by all of our talented Broadway cooks and bakers. THANK YOU!! PTO would also like to thank everyone who participated and/or volunteered in our annual Holiday Shop.

The Broadway Bear Walk is coming up on March 16th, this is a school favorite and our Broadway Bears always get very excited about it! All Broadway families are encouraged to attend this year's event. We'd like the Bear Walk to be an opportunity for some community building at Broadway. Let's take advantage of what being part of a "small school" has to offer – you never know what making one new connection will lead to! Come and say Hello to one of our great teachers or to Mr. Bingham, introduce yourself to a parent you've never met, or just come to support your great Broadway Bear! More information will be coming home soon about the Bear Walk.

The PTO Board position of secretary will be open for the 2017-18 school year. **Please consider donating your time to this very worthy cause!!**

Self-Nominations: **February 9th** PTO Meeting (Must be present to nominate)

Confirmation: **March 2nd** PTO Meeting

If more than one person is nominated for the same position, a ballot vote will take place at this meeting – Must be present to vote.

New Board Announced: **March 30th** PTO Meeting (Last meeting of the school year)

Check out our Facebook page - *Broadway Elementary School PTO* - "Like" us and always be in the know about what's going on at Broadway.

Please join us at the next PTO meeting – February 9th at 4:00pm.

NEWS FROM THE COUNSELOR

I wanted to remind everyone of the small groups that I offer at Broadway:

- Grief group – for children who have experienced a recent loss of a family member
- Goal group – for students needing support with school related goals
- Friendship group – for students needing support with social skills
- Lunch bunch – to support 3rd – 5th grade girls with friendship issues
- Changing Family group – for children whose parents have recently separated or divorced




Students are also allowed to request to see me if they are having a problem at school. I sometimes meet with small groups of students to help with problem solving. Please let your child's classroom teacher know if you are interested in having your child participate in one of my groups. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about one of my groups, or if you have other concerns about your child that I might be able to help with.

GIRLS ON THE RUN

The spring 2017 Girls on the Run season is going to begin this February!! If your 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade girl would like to participate in the program, registration begins Wednesday, January 25th. Directions to register will be sent home this week. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Broadway's site liaison, Kari Dworkin (kari.dworkin@d51schools.org).

NEWS FROM THE D51 FOUNDATION

 **5TH ANNUAL WHITE ICED EVENT**
FEBRUARY 4, 2017
SCHOOL DISTRICT 51
FOUNDATION **A WHITE-ATTIRE AFFAIR**
TO BENEFIT OUR SCHOOLS

APPETIZERS & DESSERTS

SIGNATURE COCKTAILS INCLUDED + CASH BAR

2•4•2017 * 7-10 PM

COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY MEYER BALLROOM

FOR MORE EVENT DETAILS, VISIT OR CALL
WWW.D51FOUNDATION.ORG * 254-5108