



BRADDOCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
UPCOMING EVENTS
2010

**Jan. 18-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Day-Holiday**

**Jan. 20-Parent Coffee/PTA Meeting.-
9:30 AM-Topic: Technology/Cyber**

Bullying in the Parent Resource Center/Technology Lab

**Jan. 20-Fairfax County School Budget Meeting @ Frost
Middle School 7 PM**

**Jan. 22-Spirit Day-Twin Day (Find a friend and come dressed
alike)**

**Jan. 25-Adult Registration for English Classes 6-8 PM in the
Library**

Jan. 27th-Adult English classes begin at 6:30 PM in the Library

Jan 28-2nd grading period ends

Jan 29-Teacher Workday-No School

Feb. 1-Teachers' Professional Development-No School

**Feb 16th-Rising 6th Graders-Poe Middle school orientation for
Parents of New Students (parents of GT, ESOL and Special
Education should arrive at 6:00PM) at Poe Middle school**

PTA NEWS

**1. Boxtops for Education – Please keep sending your boxtops to
your child's teacher. Braddock receives 10 cents for every
boxtop.**

**2. Bonus Bucks – Please register your grocery store cards for
the 2009-2010 school year. You can also register online at the
following sites:**

Safeway www.escrip.com The school code is 6645021

**Giant www.Giantfood.com Click on A+ bonus Bucks and our
school code is 01823**

**Harris Teeter www.Harristeeter.com Scroll down to *Together
in Education* and our code is 6123**

Target Take Charge of Education and our code is: 103586

When Fairfax County Public Schools have a schedule change (closing or delay) due to inclement weather or other emergencies, the information is communicated as soon as the [decision](#) is made in these ways:

- Posted on the FCPS Web-site
- Posted on TV Channel 21 (Cox Communications, Reston Comcast, and Verizon cable customers only).
- Sent via e-mail to parents through the [Keep in Touch e-mail notification system](#).
- Called in to area radio and televisions stations.

The FCPS Emergency hotline is being discontinued due to budget cuts.

*Attention Parents!
We need your e-mails!*

Please e-mail Tammy.Hashish@fcps.edu and give me your e-mail address (give us 2 e-mail addresses if you have more than 1). We can e-mail your Friday Folder information and save the earth by using less paper. You can also call us or stop by the office with your e-mail.

Child's Name _____

Parent(s) Name _____

Email Address _____

2nd Email Address _____

*Please return this form to the office.
Parents are welcome to check emails in
the Parent Resource Center.*



Zoya Lucas, Angeli Tempel, Kimberly Witeck & Erin Channell, Title I Math Specialists

Math Is Marvelous!

Here in the Braddock Math Lab, our goal is for students to see that there are many different ways to solve a problem. We would like students to become critical thinkers and develop a conceptual understanding of mathematics rather than just memorizing procedures. We want our students to see themselves as mathematicians! We are achieving this goal by supporting teachers with planning and teaching and by meeting with small groups of students for extra math time. This year in the Math Lab, we are fortunate enough to have 4 teachers to support mathematics instruction!

Erin Channell is a former classroom teacher with 12 years of teaching experience. This is her 5th year at Braddock Elementary and her 1st year as a Title 1 SUM teacher. She recently received her masters degree from George Mason University in Math Educational Leadership. She is excited to have the opportunity to work with Kindergarten, First Grade and Fourth Grade classes this year at Braddock!

Zoya Lucas is a former classroom teacher with 10 years of experience. This is her sixth year at Braddock and her first year as a Math Resource Teacher. She is excited to have the opportunity to work with Kindergarten, First Grade, Second Grade, Third Grade, and Fifth Grade classrooms.

Angeli Tempel joined Braddock ES this year as a Title I Step Up Mathematics Teacher and Coach. She has eight years of teaching experience and a Masters Degree in Curriculum and Instruction from University of Virginia. In addition, she will soon hold a Mathematics Specialists License.

Finally, Kim Witeck is in her 15th year teaching at Braddock, seven of which were spent as a classroom teacher. She holds a Masters Degree in Gifted and Talented Education from the University of Virginia, has co-authored three books, and is working toward a Doctorate Degree from the University of Virginia. Her favorite pastime is to play Band Hero with her two kids!



ADVANCED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS REMINDER

Referrals for AAP Level IV CENTER services for students in Grades 2-5 are due to Braddock **no later than February 5, 2010.**

Any additional materials including work samples, awards, or certificates are due to Braddock no later than **February 12, 2010.**

*PLEASE NOTE: A maximum of five single-sided, 8 ½ " by 11" pages of student work may be submitted and a maximum of five single-sided, 8 ½ " by 11" pages of certificates, awards, honors, letters of commendation, etc. may be submitted.

You can download a referral form at:

http://www.fcps.edu/DIS/gt/packet/Fillable_AAP%20Level%20IV%20Referral%20Form.pdf

You can download a Parent/Guardian Questionnaire at:

http://www.fcps.edu/DIS/gt/packet/Fillable_Parent%20Guardian%20Questionnaire.pdf

Or, if you would like a referral form and parent/guardian questionnaire sent home please request one by emailing Ms. Sonberg at clsonberg@fcps.edu.

If you would like more information about the screening and

identification for the Level IV CENTER program, please check out the FCPS website <http://www.fcps.edu/DIS/gt> or the Parent Information Packet on Ms. Sonberg's Blackboard site.

Fairfax County School Budget

Fairfax County is projecting a significant budget deficit for FY 2011 (beginning July 1, 2010). We are in the midst of a multi-year, cyclical downturn requiring that county decision-makers continue to make expenditure and revenue adjustments. Our ongoing challenge is to develop a budget with an appropriate level of services that are both sustainable and acceptable to the community. We encourage you to submit your comments and suggestions via [online form](#), budget hotline at 703-324-9400 or directly to your respective Board of Supervisor or School Board representative.

Please mark your calendar to attend the FCPS budget briefing at Frost Middle School on **Wednesday, January 20** at 7 PM. Tessie Wilson, our school board representative along with FCPS staff, will present information about this issue and take your questions. Difficult choices are ahead – come to the meeting, get informed.

More information can be found in **The Bottom Line**, a new publication that will be sent to all FCPS parents and employees every two weeks while the budget for next school year (FY 2011) is proposed, discussed, and approved (in May 2010). It contains the latest budget news, facts, dates, and rumor busters to help the FCPS community better understand the budget and the budget process.



Winter Weather - Reminder to dress your child for the very cold weather. Most classes continue to go outside for recess throughout the winter. We have some brand new coats waiting for a good home. Please let your child's teacher know if you are interested in obtaining a coat for your child.

LINKS:

<http://www.fcps.edu/BraddockES/> (Our website includes a link to the PTA Website)

<http://www.fcps.edu/DIS/gt/faqs.html> (Advanced Academics)

<http://www.fcps.edu/PoeMS/>

<http://www.fcps.edu/AnnandaleHS/>

<http://www.fcps.edu/index.shtml>

<http://www.responsiveclassroom.org/>

<http://theparentpages.com/>