

Principal Letter

February 15, 2011

Dear Parents,

Blastastic times are coming!

The annual BLAST is right around the corner. This year we have asked our students, our parents, and our community to be G.E.E.K.ed about learning. Global Education Engaging Kids encompasses inquiry focused learning, technology integration and global awareness. G.E.E.K.ed also includes bringing together a group of caring individuals for a great cause. The BCS Blast is a great example of how a group of people come together to better your children's future.

Our future has looked different than what we saw it five or ten years ago. Jobs have left our state and educational funds have been reduced. The past few years have been tough on our pockets and our optimism. Last year, in spite of the economic downturn, we raised a record amount from the Blast. This shows that your dedication is crucial in building a better tomorrow for our students here at BCS.

We are so fortunate at BCS to have a community that supports our curriculum and teaching and has the ability to fundraise so effectively. We all know that today's learners are wired differently and they need different tools in order to navigate the demands of the Information Age. Access to laptops, ipads, and other technologies, purchased with parent support, have made a huge impact on our learners at BCS. We hope to continue to acquire more tools for digital learning in the year ahead. With the right resources, we can still do so much more for your children.

Although BCS has a science and technology focus, your generosity from previous Blasts has and continues to support our literature program, Forensics, MathCounts, Science Olympiad, Lego Robotics, Music Scholarships, Imagineers, Proud Dad's sports and many more curriculum-related activities. The only way we are able to provide these opportunities for your children is through your donations.

We know that the power of the BCS Blast lies in knowing that the funds that are raised go directly to enhance the educational experience of your children. Please believe that the BCS staff will continue to work incredibly hard to bring exciting and powerful learning experiences to each and every child. Your support and generosity mean a great deal to all of us and motivates our staff to work even harder. Thank you again for your amazing generosity. We look forward to a Blastastic time on March 20, 2011.

G.E.E.K.ed about the BLAST!

Adam and Patricia