

# BCCS Lower School News

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## Fall Events at BCCS

*By Aneesah Edwards and Izzy Murray*

### **End of Quarter 1**

It is now the end of quarter 1. We have our BCCS routine for honor roll and report cards. For the new 5th graders, the way it works is if you earn 90% or above in all of your classes, you receive first honors on your report card. If you earn 80% or above in all of your classes, you receive second honors on your report card. If you have 1st honors or 2nd honors, you will be invited down to Honor Roll Breakfast. If you earn 1st honors, you will also receive a tshirt!

The Honor Roll Breakfast takes place in the multipurpose room. You will get an invitation to the breakfast with your report card. You could even bring your parent or a family member with you. At the breakfast, Ms. Smith will call the names of the students who got honor roll. First they will call second honors, and then they will call first honors. If you want, you can bring breakfast items to share, such as bagels, donuts, fruit, or drinks. If you bring snacks, make sure to bring anything without any kind of nuts because this is a nut free school.

If you didn't get honor roll, you will stay in your advisory during Honor Roll Breakfast. If you didn't earn Honor Roll this quarter, it is okay because you will have more chances next quarter. You could try again for 2nd quarter. Make sure you study for all quizzes and tests and accept tutoring if you are invited. Do more than is even expected of you! If you have any questions about Honor Roll or the Honor Roll Breakfast, you can talk to Mr. Bautista or Ms. Smith.



### **Halloween Dance**

The Halloween Dance is coming up on Friday, October 26. The dance will cost \$2.00 per student, which you have to bring with your permission slip. Halloween costumes are recommended but not mandatory. Anyone with 6 or more demerits cannot attend the dance. You can bring an additional \$2.00 for every pizza slice. You can invite your parents for no extra cost. Snacks and drinks will be provided for students and staff members. If you bring any snacks you will not be allowed to bring any kind of nuts.

There is no bus to bring you to the dance at 5:00 or bring you home at 7:00, so you need to either get a ride to the dance or stay after school in homework support. You will be allowed to stay after school and change into your costumes at school. You will be able to change after school but very quickly. If you go to the dance after 6:00 you cannot be admitted into the dance. Your parents can come after the dance if they want to help clean up. If you have any questions about the dance you can talk to Mr. Bautista or Ms. Smith.

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## News Flash - The Newest 6th Grade Math Teacher...Mr. Ellis!

*By Claire Amador and Ronan Mitchell*

This issue, we decided to interview the newest 6th grade math teacher, Mr. Ellis! Here is a Q & A of facts we learned about Mr. Ellis. Did you know he plays a lot of sports? Go on to question #10 to read them all!

### Questions for Mr. Ellis

Q1: Where are you from?

A1: I was born in Boston. I was brought up in Braintree.

Q2: Where did you go to college? What did you study?

A2: I went to Bates College and I studied U.S. history.

Q3: Did any famous people go to your college?

A3: No, no one extremely popular.

Q4: What made you become a math teacher?

A4: I had a lot of good math teachers growing up.

Q5: Where did you teach before coming to BCCS?

A5: I taught in Florida.

Q6: What made you decide to come to BCCS?

A6: From what I heard, it was a very good place to teach.

Q7: Did you ever struggle in math?

A7: Yes, I struggled with statistics.

Q8: What is your favorite nickname you've ever been given?

A8: Mr. Clean!

Q9: Are you married and/or do you have kids?

A9: I am not married, and I do not have kids.

Q10: Do you play any sports?

A10: I play basketball, softball, kickball, surfing, bowling, tennis, soccer, and flag football.

Therefore, now if you get into a conversation with Mr. Ellis, you will know what to talk about with him. If you want to know more, just ask him! Next time, we will interview another new teacher at BCCS.



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## New Lunch System

*By Audrey Baehrend and Maida Mohamed*

Did you know we have a new lunch system? We do! The new lunch system is called Revolution Foods. Our last year's vendors, Essence of Thyme, had some issues. For example, a lot of students did not like the lunches and so weren't eating them. Another example of a problem is that the lunches arrived late. By law, when the lunches did arrive, Ms. Boshes and Ms. Valentin would have to measure the temperature using a thermometer and it would have to be 165 degrees Fahrenheit for the kids to eat it. Sometimes the temperature would be below that and obviously that's a problem.

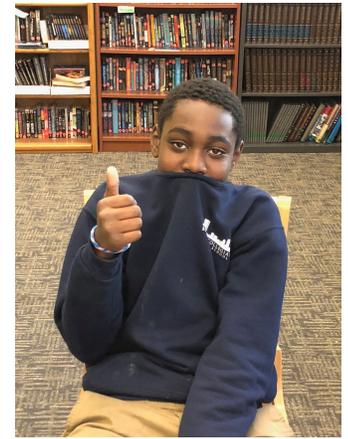


There are many reasons that this new lunch is better. One reason it's better is that the food is fresher and of better quality. Also, the food arrives on time and there are two options for what students can eat. Another reason this lunch is better is that they change the menu every month so that you are not eating the same things over and over.



We asked some people what their favorite new lunches and breakfasts are. Nyleah in 6th grade said her favorite new breakfast is strawberry yogurt and her favorite new lunch is pizza rolls.

Jhamir in 6th grade said his favorite new breakfast is pancakes and his favorite new lunch is breakfast for lunch, but he misses the spicy chicken bites. Nyleah and Jhamir both like the lunches better this year because they taste better. Ms.



Boshes's favorite new lunch is Uncle Ted's barbecue chicken drumstick with rice.

This year, about 90 students get lunch every day. If you have a question or comment about the new lunches, talk to Ms. Boshes or Ms. Smith. Yum!



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## Meet our 6th grade reporters!

Did you know...Claire Amador got braces, broke her wrist, and got bitten in the face by a dog all in one MONTH? And did you know that her favorite class is 7th period STEM?

Did you know...Audrey Baehrend is one quarter Italian? And did you know that her favorite class is 7th period STEM?

Did you know...Aneesah Edwards has two siblings who graduated from the upper school? And did you know that her favorite class is 7th period collegiate skills?

Did you know...Ronan Mitchell has broken his collarbone THREE times? And did you know that his favorite class is 7th period STEM?

Did you know...Maida Mohamed was born in Michigan? And did you know that her favorite class is science?

Did you know...Izzy Murray once had her foot run over by a car? And did you know that her favorite class is 7th period math/ELA support?



## Do you want to join the newsletter? Come be a part of our crew!

- We will meet after school on **Thursdays** from 3:10-4:10 pm starting in quarter 2.
- We are looking for **hard-working, responsible** reporters who love to write.
- We are looking for both 5th **and** 6th graders!

*If you are interested in joining, fill out the information below, rip off this back page, and leave it for Ms. Hafferkamp in the **5th grade late bin**:*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisory: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to be on the newsletter?

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