# ALBERT SCHWEITZER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- May 3
   Albert Schweitzer School
   TALENT SHOW
- May 10
   Albert Schweitzer
   ART SHOW
- May I I
   MOTHER'S DAY
   FLOWER SALE
- May 14
   Albert Schweitzer
   SPRING CONCERT
- May 14, 15, 16
   Neshaminy School District
   ART SHOW
- May 28
   Memorial Day
   DISTRICT CLOSED

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# Albert Schweitzer Gazette

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# Principal's Message...



Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are entering our last six weeks of school! It is absolutely amazing how quickly this year has gone.

The month of April included completion of the PSSA assessments for grades three through five. Thank you for your support and guidance. A very special thank you to our generous P.T.O. who thank all of our students on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> with a Rita's water ice treat!

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Talent Show is scheduled for May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please come out to see our very talented students sing, dance, tell jokes, demonstrate karate moves, and much, much more! Thank you to Mrs. Phillippe for organizing the event, and to the parents who have volunteered their time to help with practices sessions....Mrs. Scarsellato, Mrs. Souder, Mrs. Kebert, Mrs. Martino and Mr. and Mrs. Kelly.

This year, we are saying goodbye to very special staff members. Ms. Fecho, our physical education teacher, and Mrs. Coleman, one of our instructional assistants will be retiring after this year. We thank them for their service, love, and care to the students of Albert Schweitzer Elementary School, and wish them all of the best in the future.

In closing, I want to express my gratitude to all of you for your commitment to working collaboratively with me and the entire staff. We share your hopes and dreams for your children and love every one of them as Albert Schweitzer Learners!



Have a wonderful spring!
Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Brewster

SAFETY: Be sure to follow the guidelines for safety in our parking lot and the drop off/pick up areas. There should be no parking along Harmony Road. Drivers may not leave vehicles in the drop off/pick- up lane. Teachers and student safety patrol members are assigned to assist and ensure the safety of all students.



# Elementary District Music Festival

On Monday, April 16th, the Neshaminy School District held its annual Elementary District Music Festival in Carl Sandburg's Middle School Auditorium. Students were nominated by their respective music teachers from all 8 elementary schools to participate in the band, chorus or orchestra.

The students were well-prepared and excited to perform for their families and friends. We would like to mention that Schweitzer students who participated in the Music Festival were more than just participants; they played the part of the gracious hosts and hostesses as well.

Congratulations and thank you to the following students for their hard work and their musical accomplishments this year: Ashly Alexander, Emily Buttry, Caleb D'Amico, Brandon DeBolt, Anusha Hiremath, Zico Hunter, Sean Jackson, Riley Jacob, Jaime Lee, Julisa Lopez, Wyatt Mellus, Jane Mitchell, Brett Nelson, Palak Patel, Natalie Raven, Kelly Sassaman, Erica Schweizer, Liam Scully, Kobe Wilcox, Christopher Wright, and MaKenzie Young.

#### Neshaminy "Takes Pride" - dependability



May's "Takes Pride" theme is "dependability". "Dependability" is the quality of demonstrating reliability. A person who is dependable is one others can count on for their truthfulness and integrity. Individuals who demonstrate "dependability" have a reputation of doing what they say they are going to do. They persist in projects and responsibilities until the task or job is complete. This month, make a special effort to practice "dependability". Some ways you can practice "dependability" this month include: meeting your curfew; turning in school projects by the due date; arriving to school each day on time; and completing your chores at home before having to be reminded. When you gain a reputation as someone others can rely upon, you earn their respect and confidence.

# Schweitzer Spirit Wear

Once again we will be offering for a limited time Schweitzer Spirit Wear. Order forms were sent home with all students. Extra forms are also available in the school office.

Orders are due back by 5/8/12. SORRY.....NO LATE orders will be accepted.

Delivery is expected no later than June 1st.

You may also order a **FIELD DAY 2012 T-Shirt** through our Schweitzer Spirit Wear Order Form for additional members in your family. Remember all student's who attend Albert Schweitzer School will be receiving a Field Day shirt for **FREE**!!!

Hoodies, Gym Bags, T-Shirts, and Shorts are available. Your purchase will help support our PTO.

# Students "Free" Field Day T-Shirt Order Form

As a reminder.....the Albert Schweitzer PTO will be providing a Field-Day shirt and a snack to each student FREE OF CHARGE!!!

Please be sure to send in your child's order form indicating the size you would prefer. Kindly return it to our school office no later than May 1, 2012. Please keep in mind shrinkage!!!

If you have any questions call Kim Kebert at kimmitrebek@hotmail.com



#### **Albert Schweitzer Talent Show**

Albert Schweitzer Elementary School
will hold its
"Second Annual Talent Show"
on
Thursday, May 3rd, 2012 from
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
in the Schweitzer Gymnasium.

We hope you will come and support our superstars!!!

Kiss the cast treats are available for purchase!

Refreshments will be sold to benefit our 5th grade students.





# **May School Events**



May 3 Albert Schweitzer Talent Show - 6:00 pm - Gymnasium

May 7 PTO Meeting - ELECTIONS - 7:00 pm - Library

May 10 Albert Schweitzer Art Show - 6:30 - 7:30 pm (hallways)

May 10 Constitution Center & Franklin Institute

visit Albert Schweitzer School (for grades 3, 4 & 5)

May II Mother's Day Flower Sale (pre-orders only)

May 14 Schweitzer Spring Concert - 7:30 pm - Sandburg Auditorium

May 14-16 Neshaminy District Art Show - 7:00 pm - Neshaminy High School

May 23 5th Grade Band Students join Maple Point's Band at the Phillies Game

May 28 Memorial Day - SCHOOL CLOSED



## RECYCLE PAPER DRIVE !!





Tired of all of the paper clutter around the house or in the home office?

Want to help Albert Schweitzer Elementary School raise money?

We have the perfect solution for your papers – recycle them!

Gather all of your magazines, newspapers, catalogs, folders, TV guides, junk mail, weekly circulars, envelopes, construction paper, old calendars, paperback books and spiral notebooks (you don't even have to take the spiral ring off of the notebook – it will be discarded during the recycling process!)

# <u>Please DO NOT send in: Cardboard, phonebooks, cereal boxes, plastic, aluminum or trash.</u>

Our RECYCLE BIN is located behind the school in the back parking lot (by the baseball field).

Any questions please email Kim Kebert: kimmitrebek@hotmail.com

Thank you for using our recycling bin and for supporting our school!

#### **RECYCLE PAPER CONTEST**

To kick off our Recycling Paper Drive, we are holding a "Paper Contest" to see which class can collect the most paper and win a PTO sponsored Pizza Party!

(please refer to the "Recyle Paper Drive" notice for acceptable papers)

During the contest, students should bring in papers directly to their classroom. Our teachers will be calculating daily how many feet of paper are collected throughout the contest.

Once the contest is over, papers should be dropped off in the Recycle Bin located in the back of the school.

If you should happen to have an "extra" large amount of paper please contact Kim Kebert at kimmitrebek@hotmail.com for assistance.

# The Contest will run from Thurs., April 25th through Fri., May 4<sup>th</sup>





#### NESHAMINY PRE-K COUNTS PROGRAM

Neshaminy Pre-K Counts is a state funded program that provides a high quality pre-school education to children who are three or four years of age, whose families are residents of Neshaminy School District, and whose families meet the financial guidelines. For instance, a family of four may earn up to \$55,875.

The program is five days-a-week, three hours-a-day (9:00 AM to noon) and is located within a STAR FOUR pre-school, the Wee Care Early Learning Center (near Flowers Mill Mall).

Families are responsible for transportation to and from the school each day. Daily attendance and on-time behavior is essential. Parents/Guardians are expected to attend monthly one-hour meetings and parent-teacher conferences throughout the year.

Neshaminy families who meet these guidelines may contact Mrs. Cunningham at 215 809 6552 to request an application.

# Career Camp

Educational summer camp to learn many construction basics and have lots of fun too!!



- Learn construction basics from BCTHS carpentry teachers measure, cut, harnmer, paint, etc. complete a job!
- > Learn shout keeping things "Green"
- All campers get T-shirts, safety glasses, gloves, tape measures, and levels

When: 6 days-June 21st, June 25th through 29th

8:30 a.m. To 3:00 p.m. daily

Cost: FREE!!

Eligibility: 8 To 13 year olds (TANF or low income)

Lunch: will be provided

Transportation: available if needed

#### To Register or get more information:

Visit: Bucks County Technical High School

610 Wistar Rd. Fairless Hills PA 19030

ask for John Wertz

Email: jwertz@bcths.com

Call: John Wertz at 215-949-1700 extention 2240





Students ages 8 to 13 are invited to Shoot for the Stars this summer in a special week-long camp program June 25–29, 2012 at the National AeroSpace Training and Research (NASTAR) Center in Southampton, PA.

# YOU CAN BE A TEST PILOT AND ROCKET SCIENTIST FOR THE WEEK AS YOU LEARN ABOUT:

- + HOW AIRPLANES FLY
- + NEWTON'S LAWS OF MOTION
- + HOW ROCKETS WORK

Students enrolled in this exciting camp will become Test Pilots as they perform experiments with a model of the first airplane to break the sound barrier - the Bell X-1. Students will learn teamwork and skills needed to conduct a successful space mission, build balloon powered cars, construct and launch model rockets, and more.

Shooting for the Stars participants will be eligible to earn gift cards to area theaters and restaurants. Transportation will be provided each day from the Bucks County CareerLink in Bristol to the NASTAR Center in Southampton. Lunches will be provided for participants.

For registration forms, go to www.nastarcenter.com/Stars or contact Greg Kennedy at (215) 355-9100, X1512. Space is limited in this program and eligibility criteria apply, so be sure to submit your registration early.



Shooting for the Stars is sponsored by the Bucks County Workforce Investment Board and the Bucks County Youth Council.





125 James Way, Southampton PA 18966

#### Summer Career Camps at Bucks!

Don't miss this opportunity to explore hot occupations in some of the fastest growing industries in Pennsylvania. Learn about up and coming careers in: Advanced Manufacturing, Energy, Building & Construction, Life Sciences, and Information & Communication. Come explore your options:

- ✓ Ultimate Escapes
- ✓ Lego Robotics
- **✓** Game Maker
- ✓ NASTAR National AeroSpace Training and Research
- ✓ Robotics/Rocketry

- ✓ Environmental Explorers
- ✓ CSI- Crime Scene Investigation



June 25 - 29, 2012 Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 3:30 pm

Bucks County Community College - Main Campus

275 Swamp Road, Newtown, PA 18940

Lunch provided

Transportation available

Gift Cards and more will be provided!

Camps are open to Youths 8 – 13 (TANF eligible) in Bucks County. For more info and/or to register, please call 215-504-8558 or 215-504-8610.

SIGN UP NOW! First come, first served - please call today!





#### CAMP DIRECTORY 2012 For Children with Special Needs

#### **Bucks County**

CAMP NAME	CITY	TELEPHONE	SPECIAL NEED
Briarwood	Furlong	215-598-7143	
Tri-Hampton YMCA	Newtown	215-579-6200	Mild
Carousel	Ivyland	215-355-6498	Many
Central Bucks YMCA	Doylestown	215-348-8131	ADD/PDD
Camp Curiosity	Doylestown	215-348-7221	Mild or 1:1
Elbow Lane	Warrington	215-343-2120	Mild
Solebury School	New Hope	215-862-5261	Mild
Tabor Children's	Doylestown	215-345-5877	
Adventureland	Bensalem	215-757-9142	Mild or 1:1
Bensalem Twp.	Bensalem	215-633-3600	
Breezy Point	Langhorne	215-752-1987	Mild
Cherokee	Bensalem	215-752-7613	Mild or 1:1
Camp AMICA	Yardley	267-258-3974	ASD
Camp Discovery	Bristol	215-949-3230 x110	Many
Camp Surefoot	Levittown	215-945-7200	Many
Lower Bucks YMCA	Fairless Hills	215-949-3400	Mild
Upper Bucks YMCA	Quakertown	215-536-8841	Phys.
Something Special	Newtown	215-968-0600x155	All
SOAR (teens)	BC Tech	215-949-1700 x2910	LifeSkills
Bucks County Tech Exploratory		215-949-1700	
Camp Expressions	Newtown	267-261-4098	Mild
Camp Friendship	Doylestown	215-348-3300	Mild
BCCC	Newtown	215-968-8000 or 8409	
Camp Courage	Penn Foundation	215-453-5178	Ages 7-12
Camp Communication	Pennsbury	215-428-4100 x10056	K-5,ASD,ADHD
Middletown Twp Shining Stars	Levittown/Langhorne	215-750-3800	
Lower Southampton Recreation		215-357-7300x316	ASD

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### **CAMP DIRECTORY 2012 For Children with Special Needs**

#### **Outside Bucks County**

CAMP NAME	CITY	TELEPHONE	SPECIAL NEED
Camelot for Children	Allentown	610-791-5683	All
Camp Can Do	Hershey	717-533-6144	Cancer
Beacon Lodge	Mt. Union	814-542-2511	Many
Camp Joy	Schwenksville	610-754-6878	All
Camp Lee Mar	Lackawaxen	570-685-7188	LD/Develop
Chatterbox	Hackettown	908-233-3720	Aug.System
Helping Hands	Bechtelsville	610-754-6491	All
Camp Outlook	Ambler	215-628-9950	Mild
Quaker Friends	Horsham	215-674-2875	LD
LaSalle Univ.	Horsham	215-358-1005	All
Princeton Speech Language & Learn	New Jersey	609-924-7080	
Summit	Honesdale	570-253-4381	Mild
Variety Club	Various	610-584-4366	Many
YMCA	Northeast Philadelphia.	215-632-0100	
Hatboro YMCA	Hatboro	215-674-4545	Phys/ID
Camp America	Chalfont	215-822-6313	Mild
Natl Computer Camp	Various Locations		www.nccamp.com
Oak Lane	Blue Bell	610-825-1055	
SPIN	Philadelphia	215-613-1000	Many

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# Remember those who have served or are serving in our Armed Forces on Memorial Day!

# May 7th through May 13th "Children's Book Week"

Celebrate your favorite children's book by sharing it with your family and friends. For more information and activities please go to

http://www.bookweekonline.com Happy Reading!!!





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Happy Mother's Day!!!