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The Baudhuin Buzz

Message From Our PTO President

Three...two...one...BLAST OFF!!!!

Welcome to the 2006-2007 school year at the best pre-school ever. O.K., so I am prejudiced. If you are returning parent, you know I am right. If you are new to Baudhuin, you will soon find this out. This school is so much more than "just" a pre-school. You have become part of a very caring and understanding family. Michele Kaplan, the director, will make you feel so comfortable that you will feel you could talk to her about anything. You will find the teachers and the para-professionals will take a genuine interest in how your child is developing. I feel confident you will see some very positive progress during your child's time at Baudhuin. Dr. Manny, is an indispensable source of information and reassurance. He leads many of the support groups throughout the year. I highly recommend these. One of the best parts of your new Baudhuin family is all of the new families you will meet here. You could be standing in the lobby waiting to drop off your child and mention an issue you are having, 9 out of 10 times someone will say, "Oh yeah, mine does that too." Or you are just having "one of those" days; you will usually have a tissue or three in front of you before the second tear hits your cheek. I can tell you all of this from personal experience. You have truly come to a VERY special place.

There are so many things I want to tell you and say, but I remember how overwhelmed I was the first couple of weeks my son and I started here. I will try to keep it to a few simple things at first. We have an AWESOME group of parents in our PTO, but could ALWAYS use more. We are planning some very special events for the school year. We will be having the annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon in December and the very popular Baudhuin Family Picnic, just to name a few. We are selling the "Autism Awareness" magnets in both small and large sizes as well as the window clings. There will be some other wonderful fund-raising events happening soon as well.

OK, enough for now. Again, I want to welcome everyone to an EXCITING year. If you have any questions or suggestions please feel free to contact me, either by phone, e-mail or just look for me in the lobby I am usually hanging out chattering away. I look forward to meeting you.

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Important Upcoming Events:

Parents' Breakfast	8/23 @ 8:30am
PTO Meeting	8/30 @ 8:30am
Scholastic Book Fair	11/14-15

Welcome Parents Breakfast



The first few days at a new school can be overwhelming to children and parents. Come to the Welcome Parents Breakfast and meet staff, PTO board members, and other parents new to Baudhuin. The breakfast will be held on August 23rd at 8:30am. We look forward to meeting all of you!



Upcoming CARD Lectures & Workshops



Creating Visual Strategies for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder

August 25 from 9:30am to 11:30am at the Dan Marino Center located in Weston.

Planning for the Future of Your Child or Dependent with Special Needs

September 15 from 9:30am to 11:30am at the Dan Marino Center.

To register please call 954- 262- 7111

Box Tops for Education



Box Top contests are starting up again and will go on throughout the school year. You have the opportunity to win a great prize for your child or your class by clipping Box Tops from various foods. For a list of products that contain Box Tops visit www.boxtops4education.com. Remember to put your child's name and teacher's name on the Box Tops when you drop them off in the lobby.

