

Henry Barnard School Rhode Island College's Laboratory School Principal's Newsletter

December 2005



PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress Reports for students in grades three through five will be distributed on December 7th. First trimester information about our younger students (preschool, kindergarten, first grade, and second grade) will be shared during parent teacher conferences. Second trimester Progress Reports include all students in first through fifth grade.

Parent teacher conferences have been scheduled for all of our students for the first trimester on December 9th. To allow time for the conferences, students do not have school on December 9th. We request that parents adhere to the conference schedule so that the meetings will remain on time.

If you have not received a conference form to schedule a meeting with your child's teacher, please email the teacher.

COMPUTER LAPTOPS

You may remember that among our computer purchases this year we added fifteen laptops for general classroom use. In this photo some of our second graders are in the middle of a lesson about insects and are using our new laptops as another learning tool.



REGISTRATION FOR 2006-2007

We are only four months into this school year, but it is time to think about the 2006-2007 academic year. If you are considering enrolling a sibling in **next year's kindergarten**, we ***must*** have the application by January 4, 2006. The kindergarten lottery is scheduled for January 6, 2006.

Applications for preschool for September 2006 must also be received as soon as possible.

There are limited openings expected in second through fifth grade for next year. If you know a family that might be interested in joining the Henry Barnard School community, please encourage them to give us a call.



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Please note:

If you received a paper copy of this Newsletter, it means we do not have a working email for your family.

School Cancellation

If school must be canceled because of inclement weather, it will be announced on the radio and on television. Most local radio and TV stations are now sharing this information for their morning announcements. The Henry Barnard School will automatically:

- 1) close if Rhode Island College is closed,
- 2) delay if Rhode Island College delays,
- 3) close if the Providence public schools close, and
- 4) delay if the Providence public schools delay.

In these instances, the Henry Barnard School may not be announced separately.

Independent School Meetings

Representatives from local independent schools were invited to meet with our fifth graders and their parents in our cafeteria. The morning was beneficial for everyone!



December 2005 and January 2006 Calendar

December 2005

- Dec. 2 HBSPA Meeting
- Dec. 6 Providence School Choice Forms due to Providence
- Dec. 7 Progress Reports
- Dec. 8 Second Grade Field Trip
- Dec. 9 Conferences - No School
- Dec. 13 Photo Retakes
- Dec. 22 Winter Recess - No School

Please note: Explorations is open Dec. 9 and 22, **BUT** arrangements **must** be made in advance.

January 2006

- Jan. 3 School Reconvenes
- Jan. 4 Applications for '06-'07 Kindergarten due
- Jan. 6 Kindergarten Lottery
- Jan. 11 Fifth Grade Field Trip
- Jan. 16 ML King Day - No School
- Jan. 19 Kindergarten Screening - No School for Kindergarten
- Jan. 24 HBSPA Meeting; 7:00 PM
- Jan. 25 Preschool Screening - No School for Preschool
- Jan. 27 Winter Concert