

# BCD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## Olympic Spirit!

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### ***REMINDER***

**RE-ENROLLMENT CONTRACTS  
WERE DUE BACK ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup>  
IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO,  
PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN IN  
YOUR CONTRACT(S) AS SOON AS  
POSSIBLE TO SAVE YOUR CHILD'S  
SPOT FOR NEXT YEAR!**

BCD hosted our 4th annual Preschool Olympics last Friday. The gym was packed and the audience was "wowed" by the children. Many, many parents commented on how they thought the event was super fun and cute. It was also hilarious and endearing. But, it was more than that... Before the event started, I asked the audience to pause and think for a moment about the deeper meaning of the event.

Participating in the Olympics is HARD work! I applaud the tremendous amount of courage that the children demonstrated during the Olympics. Imagine being three-, four-, or five-years-old and walking into a gymnasium full of loud cheering people watching YOU... The preschool children held their heads up high and carried themselves with a palpable sense of "I am and I can." Their confidence - coupled with the dramatic Olympic music - brought tears of joy to my eyes. I'm sure many other parents and audience members felt the same.

As adults, most of us have had moments of self-doubt and I think we can all empathize with that "knot in your stomach" feeling that seems to walk hand-in-hand with events that put us out of our comfort zone. Learning to navigate difficult situations is a skill or "tool" that requires practice to help us succeed in life.

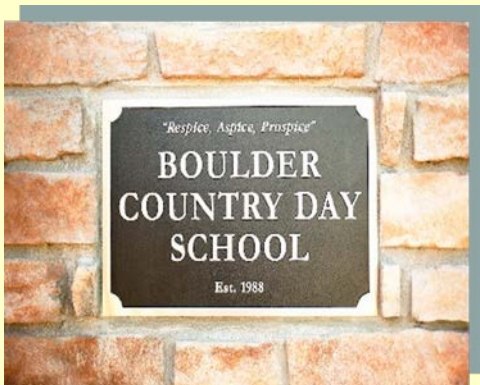
Helping each child to build his or her toolbox with resources for overcoming challenging situations is a cornerstone of Boulder Country Day. Our school programs and curricular experiences such as the Preschool Olympics are strategically planned to provide opportunities for each student to work both in and outside of his or her individual comfort level. These experiences build each student's sense of confidence and competence.

So - Let's all give another enthusiastic cheer for our preschool athletes! They demonstrated outstanding courage, athletic skill, strength, stamina, coordination, and sportsmanship.

Thanks to everyone who attended! Click on the following link for 49 seconds of the Olympic Spirit in action... ! <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EmzZh-HHFZc>

Kath Courter

BCD Preschool, Extended Day and Summer Programs Director



**PIZZA ORDER CHANGE**

Please note that pizza orders should now be placed by the prior Wednesday!

Please click here to [download the form](#) or pick one up at the front desk in the Administration Building.

**YEARBOOK WANTS YOUR****BCD PICTURES!!**

Jennifer Wittemyer created a "gmail" account so parents may forward pictures throughout the year for the yearbook.

The email is simply [bcdyearbook2@gmail.com](mailto:bcdyearbook2@gmail.com). So . . . , when you have that great photo on your camera, phone or

**February French Assembly Coming Soon**

On February 17<sup>th</sup>, the fourth grade classes will act out our rendition of *Le Bossu De Notre Dame* = *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* for our February French assembly. The preschool, kindergarten, first, second and third grade classes will also participate by singing songs that support the story line. We hope you can join us; the assembly will begin at 8:15 a.m. If you would like more details, please contact Madame Shetter at [lshetter@bouldercountryday.org](mailto:lshetter@bouldercountryday.org).

**Elementary Spelling Bee Wrap Up**

Winners of the Fourth and Fifth Grade Classroom Spelling Bees and participants in the BCD Elementary School Spelling Bee were Carter Holbrook, Billy Howenstein, Zoe Bennett, Riley Mulshine, Sophie Pearson, Will Griffith, Tommy Miller, Emily Balog, Julia Curd, Sophie Reeves, Maggie Smith, Kendall Baldwin, and Zane McMorris. The elementary Spelling Bee Champion was Riley Mulshine! Will Griffith came in second place and Zoe Bennett & Maggie Smith tied for third place. Good luck to Riley Mulshine at the Barnes & Noble Regional Spelling Bee to be held on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at Monarch High School!

**French Immersion Travel Opportunity**

We are pleased to be organizing our first French Immersion Middle School Student Travel opportunity to Québec City, Canada. Please join Madame Shetter in the BCD library February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:10 a.m. to hear the details of this wonderful voyage.

**Website Update and Bulldog Blog!**

We have updated all the images on our website (home page and throughout the site) and **we now have a blog!** Please read our blog featuring articles, commentary, photos and more about life at BCD: <http://blog.bouldercountryday.org/>

Also coming soon - a new E-newsletter (*The BCD Buzz*) to replace the weekly bulletin .... stay tuned!

**Kudos for Kids**

Congratulations to Sydney and Jack Brooker for their winning scores while recently participating in the Denver Nuggets Skills Challenge! Both Sydney and Jack have qualified for the Sectional event, which will take place in Longmont on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Some of the challenges involved shooting for highest cumulative points within 30 seconds; bounce and chest passes for accuracy; and, dribbling around cones for speed. Congratulations and good luck in the next round!

Congrats to Noah Rothman who placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the YSL races at Eldora Mountain on Sunday, the 29<sup>th</sup>! Good job, Noah – swish!



**LOTA 2012**

**March 10<sup>th</sup>**

**SAVE THE DATE**

## BCD Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events!

February 10 <sup>th</sup> (6:30 – 9 p.m.)	Middle School Dance
February 16 <sup>th</sup> (8:15 a.m.)	Parents' Council Meeting
February 16 <sup>th</sup> (8:15 a.m.)	Speaker from the Play Therapy Institute at BCD
February 17 <sup>th</sup> (8:15 a.m.)	February French Assembly
February 20 <sup>th</sup>	PRESIDENTS' DAY OBSERVED – NO SCHOOL
February 24 <sup>th</sup> (8:15 a.m.)	Talent Show I Assembly
February 24 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester
February 29 (8:30 a.m.) *for all Kindergarten parents	Child Assault Prevention Workshop ("CAP") Parent Meeting
March 1 <sup>st</sup>	CAP Workshops for Kindergarten students
March 2 <sup>nd</sup> (8:15 a.m.)	Talent Show II Assembly
March 7 <sup>th</sup> (8 a.m.-8 p.m.)	Parent/Teacher Conferences *NO SCHOOL
March 10 <sup>th</sup> (evening)	LOTA Fundraiser – St. Julien Hotel
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Additional Student Group Photos
March 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Middle School Musical Performances
March 26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL

Sometimes previously published events and dates change. Please be sure to check our most up-to-date BCD calendar on this bulletin page or on our website!

**Planning a vacation for the 2011-2012 school year?**  
[Click here for 2011 – 2012 BCD KEY DATES CALENDAR.](#)

[Please click here for a full SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR](#)

[Key Dates for 2012 – 2013 are set – click here for the calendar!](#)

### NEW BULLETIN ARTICLES/NOTICES SUBMISSION POLICY

Please note that any items to be submitted for publication in the BCD Weekly Bulletin must be submitted no later than noon on the Friday before publication! Thank you!  
 Send to [rbalster@bouldercountryday.org](mailto:rbalster@bouldercountryday.org)

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