

# BACH elementary SCHOOL news

DECEMBER 17, 2014



## HAPPY HOLIDAYS BACH FAMILIES,

Can you believe that we are nearing the end of the 2014 calendar year? What fond memories and experiences will you carry over to the 2015 year? Many of you have already started to create a list of New Year's resolutions. The key to ensuring that your resolutions turn into habits and a new lifestyle is to make them realistic, fun and take your time.

Have a safe, relaxing and family filled break. See you in 2015!

### Shopping at Bach

Please come shop at our Bach Lost and Found dept. Here, you're sure to find something just perfect for your child. In fact, it may be your child's glove, shoe, hat or coat. Tis the season/week to reclaim what belongs to you. Thank you!

### Thank you for Science Night

Join me in thanking our many leaders for making this year's Bach Science Night a great life experience for our students. There is learning about science and there is living science. Bach Science Night 2014 was both! Thank you to our parent volunteers, Science Olympiad coaches, University of Michigan volunteers, and the Hands on Museum staff. A special thank you to Andrea Weid and Melanie Rountrey for your leadership!

### Thank you for the Bach Book Fair

Thank you Mrs. Kathy Trudell, Julie Burdine and our other amazing Bach parents that gave so much of their time and energy to support our students. The Book Fair was very successful. Whenever you have children excited about reading, you've started them on a wonderful journey to a successful life!

### Message of the Week

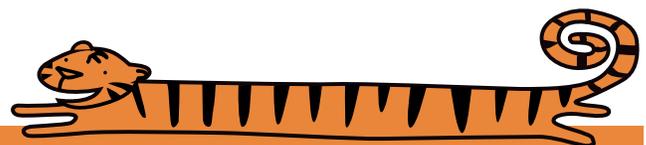
*“Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try.”*

Gail Devers, three-time Olympian continues to inspire us to persevere. There is little we cannot do if we truly put our minds to it and decide to try. Let's instill this grit and perseverance in all Bach students.

### Home and School Connection

What measurements do we use to determine if our children are successful? Do we use the state assessment? School report card? Reading levels? Number of friends? What sports they play? With all the expectations this world puts on our children, let's make sure we don't forget that success looks different for each person. Take some time this break to talk with your children about what success means to you as a family. Please pass along to them that their principal and teachers are very proud of them.

— *Hyeyo Park, Principal*



At Bach School we are dedicated to creating an environment that inspires learning. We strive to challenge each student to achieve full academic potential and maintain consistent standards for socially responsible behavior. We believe education is a share responsibility of the staff, students, parents, and the community. We value children as unique individuals and recognize their ethnic diversity and various learning styles as strengths.

## Dec 20, 2014 – Jan 4, 2015 Winter Break

### JANUARY

- 5 First day back from break
- 8 WESO Coaches meeting 7pm
- 12 5th Grade Winter Survival Field Trip
- 13 2nd–5th grade WESO presentations in MPR 2–3:30pm
- 19 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day: NO SCHOOL
- 20 5th Grade Instrumental Music Sharing 7–8pm
- 21 5th Grade to District Library 1:30–3pm
- 22 Kinders to Wild Swan Theater 9:15–11:30am  
2nd Grade to Jiffy Mix Co. 9:15–11:30am  
Bach School Improvement Meeting 4–5pm  
Bach PTO Meeting 6:30–7:30pm
- 26 District Professional Development: NO SCHOOL
- 29 Ramsey and Iglewicz to UMMA 12:45–1:45pm
- 30 All School Assembly 2:45–3:30pm  
BRRRR Fest 6:30–8:30pm

### FEBRUARY

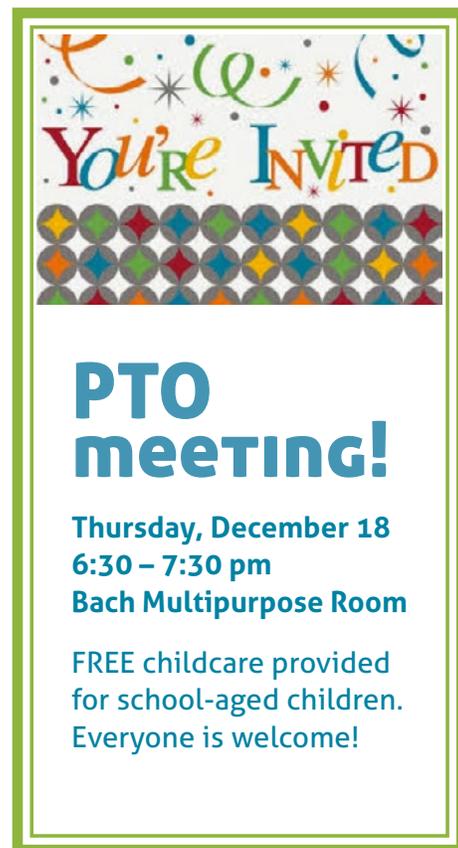
- 2–6 Bach Math Week
- 5 Bach Math Night, MPR 6:30–8pm
- 9 Author's Visit 1–3pm
- 11 Student Count Day  
4th Grade Concert, MPR 7–8pm
- 12 Borgsdorf and Smith to UMMA 12:45–1:45pm
- 27 Movie Night 6:15pm

## Feb 14–22 Mid-Winter Break

# EARTH-FRIENDLY HELP NEEDED!

The Bach School students and staff do a fantastic job collecting compost every day, and minimizing our waste by putting compostables in a separate compost area. ***We are in desperate need of a parent to take over the task of turning the compost, adding the necessary ingredients, and helping to make the compost ready to put in our gardens.***

We thank Mark Lee for doing this job for quite some time, and are looking for someone to take it over. If you are interested in taking on this wonderful earth-friendly task, please contact Robin Gleason or Tina Ezekiel.

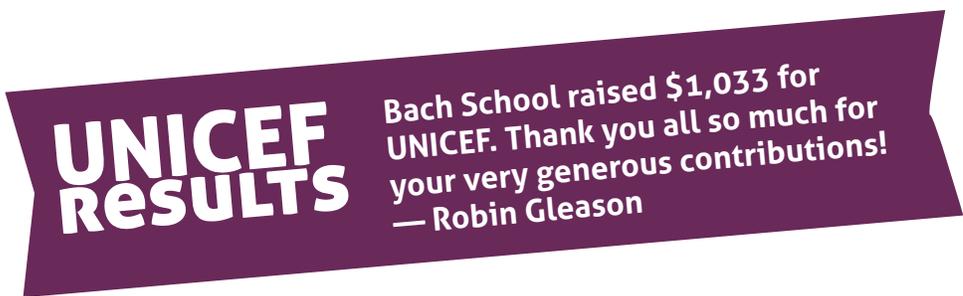
A graphic for a PTO meeting invitation. It features a decorative border with colorful stars and dots. The text reads: "You're INVITED" in a colorful, stylized font. Below that, "PTO meeting!" is written in large, bold, blue letters. The date and time are "Thursday, December 18 6:30 - 7:30 pm" and the location is "Bach Multipurpose Room". It also mentions "FREE childcare provided for school-aged children. Everyone is welcome!"

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**PTO meeting!**

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A purple banner with white text. On the left, "UNICEF RESULTS" is written in large, bold, white letters. To the right, the text reads: "Bach School raised \$1,033 for UNICEF. Thank you all so much for your very generous contributions! — Robin Gleason".

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SAVE THE DATE FOR FUN AND DELICIOUS INTERNATIONAL FOOD!

## BRR FEST IS COMING TO BACH!

Friday, Jan. 30  
6:30 to 8:30 PM

We're taking over the school, and inviting you to get out of the cold for a fun—and free—family night of indoor activities! At Brrr Fest, There's Something for Everyone!

Carnival Games: Including floor hockey, obstacle course, jump ropes & hula hoops—plus, a few surprises.

Arts & Crafts  
Face Painting  
...and a Dance Party!

Bring your appetite... Bach's Multicultural Outreach Committee will also be coordinating a potluck dinner!

WE NEED PARENT VOLUNTEERS!! The Jobs are Easy & Fun!  
Contact Martha at [marthagove@hotmail.com](mailto:marthagove@hotmail.com), if you can help! Thank you!

## COKE REWARDS FOR BACH



If your family buys Coca-Cola products you can help get gym equipment for Bach FREE.

To enter codes go to: [www.mycokerewards.com](http://www.mycokerewards.com)

At the bottom of the screen under MY COKE REWARDS choose Donate to Your School. On the next screen enter zip code 48103 then choose Bach Elementary from the drop down box.

If you haven't used the site before you will need to set up an account (must be an adult). It's free and easy to use. Codes can be found on caps and on 12 and 24 pack cases.

We're close to getting a new air pump!

A graphic of a large yellow and grey can. The top of the can is grey with concentric circles. The main body of the can is yellow with the text 'CANNED FOOD DRIVE' in large white letters. Below that, in smaller white letters, is 'JANUARY 12-30, 2015'. The bottom of the can is grey with white text.

**CANNED FOOD DRIVE**  
JANUARY 12-30, 2015

Bach School will be doing a Canned Food Drive starting in January. By then, many of our local food-bank sources will be depleted and in need of new canned goods. We invite your donations between January 12 and January 30, 2015. Thank you, in advance, for helping to support our local community.

A graphic for the Ann Arbor PTO Thrift Shop. It features a red apple with a green leaf on the left. To the right, the text 'Ann Arbor PTO THRIFT SHOP' is written in large, bold, black letters. Below that is the website 'a2ptothriftshop.org' and the address '2280 S. Industrial Hwy. 734-996-9155'.

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A non-profit resale shop with all proceeds benefitting Ann Arbor Public Schools and student enrichment.

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# Wondering what YOU can give to Bach?

## 1. Your TIME.

*Volunteer in the media center, in your child's classroom, as a Science Olympiad coach, at Movie Night, BrrFest, Family Reading Night, etc.!*



## 2. Your TALENT.

*Painting, building, recruiting, organizing, visualizing, singing, knitting, dancing, planning, designing, gardening, cooking, etc. Whatever your talent or passion is, we'd love to borrow it!*

## 3. Your TREASURE.

*No time? No talent? No problem! If you haven't yet donated to the Bach PTO and would like to, you can do so here:*

*<http://bachpto.org/donate/>. Your contribution will help pay for class field trips, author and artist visits, and classroom supplies.*



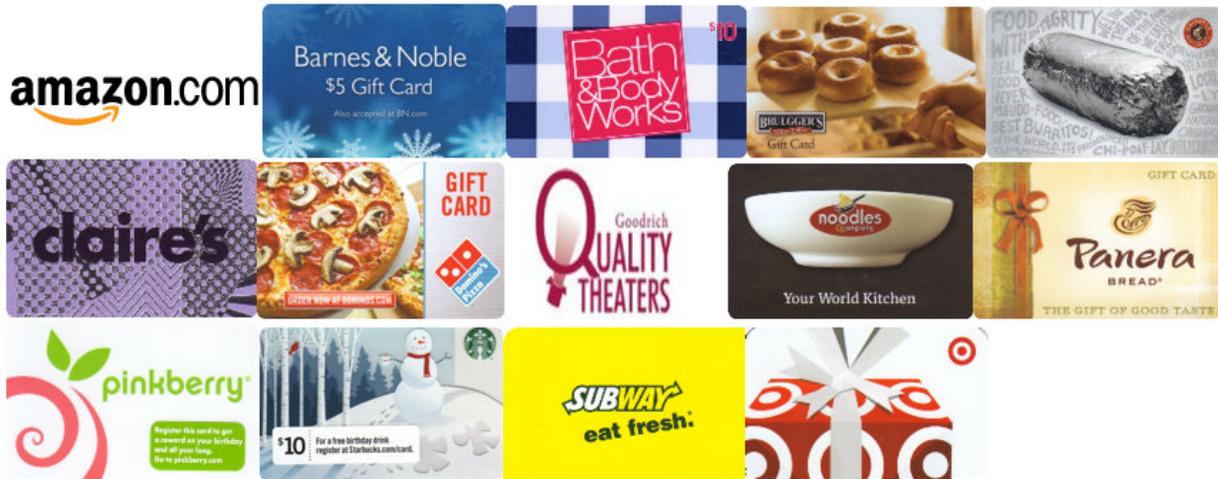
As you can see, there are many different ways you can lend your support to the Bach community. Let us know how you would like to get involved! **president@bachpto.org**



## Dashing through the snow for last-minute gifts?

Just a few days left!  
Shop at the Scrip Store on  
Wednesday 8:45- 9:15  
Thursday 3:45-4:15  
And Friday 8:45- 9:15  
Earn money for Bach School!

**Our Scrip gift  
card profit for the year is \$1200!**



**Conveniently, we have cards IN STOCK  
for many of our popular stores.**

**At no cost to you, there is no easier way  
to support Bach PTO!**



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