



**Bill Roberts K-8 Thursday Packet Notes
Thursday, October 1st, 2009**

MUST SEE NEWS!

<p><u>ATTENTION!!!</u></p> <p>Bill Roberts PTA is going paperless!</p>	<p>Only TWO more <u>paper</u> Thursday Notes will be sent home. After that, if you provided your e-mail on the School Directory form OR if you already receive e-mail blasts from info@billrobertspta, you will <i>automatically</i> receive a Thursday Notes e-mail. If you have not yet provided your e-mail address to the PTA, please sign up to receive Thursday Notes via e-mail on the PTA website, www.billrobertspta.com.</p> <p>If you need to have a paper copy of Thursday Notes, please let your room parent know, or you can contact PTA President, Ginny Creighton, at 303.316.8169 or president@billrobertspta.com.</p>
<p>Student Directory</p>	<p>Today, Bill Roberts Student Directories are being sent home with the youngest child per family. Please email any changes or corrections to BillRobertsDirectory@gmail.com by October 18th. Thanks.</p>

HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

<p>Early Release Day</p>	<p><u>Tomorrow, Friday, October 2nd, is an Early Release Day.</u> School will be in session 8:15-1 p.m.</p>
<p>PTA Meeting Weds., Oct. 7th</p>	<p>The October PTA meeting will be held next Wednesday, October 7th, at 6:30 p.m. in the cafetorium. The Budget Committee will be presenting the proposed 2009-10 budget to the membership for approval. Please come so that you can vote on the budget. Childcare will be provided for a suggested \$4/child.</p>

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Brown Bag Lunch Series	Students (K-5) will bring home a Brown Bag Lunch Series Sign-Up Sheet this week. (Students in 6th-8 th will sign up at school.) Please help your child(ren) choose three topics and rank them #1, 2 and 3. We will try to put students in one of their three choices. If there is not enough interest in a topic/speaker, we will not offer that choice this year. Space is limited to 20 students per topic. This is completely voluntary and is meant to provide students with interesting ideas to explore outside the classroom. Please return the sign up by Monday , October 5th. Thanks.
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<i>NEW POSTINGS...</i>	
Become an educated voter!	Please join the Westerly Creek PTA, Bill Roberts PTA and the SUN Education Committee for a Denver Board of Education Candidate Forum on Wednesday, Oct. 14 th from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. The forum will be held in the Westerly Creek Elementary cafetorium (8800 East 28th Avenue). The Board of Education is the policy-making body for the Denver school district. Come hear the candidates for District 4 (which includes Stapleton) and the at-large seat discuss their vision for DPS. If you'd like to submit a question for the candidates for possible inclusion, please send it to info@westerlycreek.com .
GET READY! Believe Catalog Fundraising	The <u>Believe</u> catalog sales fundraising event kick-off is around the corner! Catalogs and order forms will be sent home Thursday, October 8 th . Assemblies will be held in the gym for K-8 th grades on Friday, October 9 th . Students have until October 23rd to complete sales and turn in their order forms. In addition to direct sales, we encourage online ordering at www.ShopBelieve.com . Shipping is free with purchases over \$60, and the school and students get credit for each item sold online. Prizes and incentives will be on display in the hallway near the cafetorium. Students can turn in coupons to receive "Charm Necklaces." Believe is offering \$50 of free product from the fundraising brochure for





	<p>teachers who get 50% or more of their students to participate. Please contact chairperson, Leslie Haltiner, at lesliegott@hotmail.com with any questions. We look forward to making this a successful fundraiser and appreciate your support.</p>
<p>P.E. News Ms. Salter</p>	<p>The 4th-5th graders will be starting fitness testing (pacer test, push-ups, sit and reach) as a result of BR being selected as one of 29 DPS elementary schools to participate in a PEP Grant study. Over \$500,000 was awarded to DPS to study and promote fitness and physical activity in 4th-5th grades. The fitness testing will start this week. Tomorrow, all 4th and 5th graders will also receive personal "Activity Logs" and a letter explaining the procedures for these logs will be included in the Thursday folder. Another requirement of this grant is for instructors to attend four workshops. I have attended three of the mandated workshops, which is why I have been absent for those days this year. I never like to miss any contact days, but this is a required part of the PEP Grant. Thanks for your continued support in your child's overall wellness and please continue to stress the importance of wearing tennis shoes on P.E. days!</p>
<p>School Tours</p>	<p>School tours for prospective students will take place Thursdays at 10 a.m. The tours are given by parent volunteers.</p>
<p>Sponsorship Packages Available</p>	<p>Our 2010 sponsorship packages and a la carte pricing is now available. Don't miss out on our early bird prices by signing up before October 31, 2009. Please visit www.billrobertspta.com to find out about becoming a sponsor and to view packages and pricing. Also, if you own a business or have a business you would like to contact for sponsorship, please contact Abby Reynolds at abbygreynolds@gmail.com.</p>
<p><i>NEWS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED...</i></p>	
<p>Original Works Fundraiser</p>	<p>Information will soon be coming home in your children's</p>

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	backpacks. Each elementary student will be bringing home a personal masterpiece and an order form for archival quality personalized products. This is a great way to raise money for our school, boost your child's self esteem in their art, and stock up on personalized gifts! For more information, please see the Original Works flyer on our PTA website or email Lizzie Kienast at elisabethmk@mac.com .
My Enrichment	Science Matters Blast Into Space registration is open! The program runs from November 3 rd through December 1 st for K-5 th grade (3:30-4:30 pm. On Tuesdays). Bill Roberts parent, Sarah Nicholls, is interested in offering dance classes at the school for elementary age or middle school students. If your child is interested in yoga, guitar, or DANCE, please email molly@myenrichment.com with child's name and age. If there is enough interest, we will offer a program. Go to www.myenrichment.com/store to register online. Please use your email address as your login. As always, the best way to communicate with me is email, molly@myenrichment.com .
<i>IN THE COMMUNITY...</i>	
Join Cub Scouts for FUN!	Cub Scouting is an organization focused on character development for boys by emphasizing values, ethics and morals within a structure of activities and having fun. For more information see www.scouting.org/scoutsources/CubScouts.aspx or www.denverareacouncil.com for the local Denver Area Council. If you have a 1st, 2nd or 3rd grade son and are interested in being involved in Cub Scouts, please email Dane Vierow at dane@dvierow.com to find out more about Stapleton's Pack 34. The local pack currently does not have a Webelos den for 4th or 5th graders, but if we have enough interest, we may add one next year. Meetings will start in early October, so please contact me ASAP.
Stapleton All Sports Wrestling	Stapleton All Sports will have a "Wrestling Skill and Technique" program for ages 4-10 (no live wrestling) on Mondays and Wednesdays 5:45-6:45 p.m. from Nov. 9 th to Dec. 16 th (10 sessions) at Bladium. \$145/child, limited to the first 20 signed up due to mat space. For more information, go to www.stapletonallsports.com , or contact Gabe Hurley at gabehurley@gmail.com or 720.985.6642.
FREE Community Block Party	Join Stapleton Fellowship Church for our Fall Community Block Party & Chili Cook-Off – free for all and fun for the





	<p>whole family! Sunday, October 4th, from 12–3 p.m. at Denver School of Science & Technology.</p>
<p>Ask a Professional</p>	<p>Do you have questions about your child’s development? Do you want to learn more? Mile High Climbers, LLC is offering their fall "Ask a Professional" series at Baby Power and would love to have you there! The first topic is “Feeding your kids for the future” on October 21st at 7:30 p.m. More info. can be found at www.milehighclimbers.com or 303-872-9033. Thank you!</p>
<p>PTA Website: http://billrobertspta.com School Website: http://billroberts.dpsk12.org/</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>HOW WILL GOING PAPERLESS SAVE US????</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IT TAKES EACH TEACHER APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES TO DISTRIBUTE THE PACKETS TO STUDENTS. BY GOING PAPERLESS, THE CLASSROOM TEACHERS SAVE A COMBINED TIME OF 8 HOURS EACH WEEK! • ESTIMATING 5¢ PER PHOTOCOPY, WE SAVE \$120 EACH WEEK ON COPY COSTS BY GOING PAPERLESS. • ESTIMATING 2 SECONDS PER PHOTOCOPY, WE SAVE 3 HOURS OF VOLUNTEER TIME EACH WEEK BY GOING PAPERLESS. • IT TAKES 5+ VOLUNTEERS ABOUT 1 HOUR EACH THURSDAY TO COLLATE, STAPLE AND DELIVER THE PACKETS. BY GOING PAPERLESS, WE SAVE AN ADDITIONAL 5+ HOURS OF VOLUNTEER TIME WEEKLY. 	