

**BMS Principal's Report**  
**Submitted 8-24-10 for the 9-02-10 School Board Meeting**

**Anticipated Enrollment:** Gr. 5-126, Gr. 6-125, Gr. 7-106, Gr. 8-120      **Total:** 477

**Welcome New Personnel:** Kelly Ardita replacing Betsy Ciocci in Grade 5 Special Education. Kate Estefan is on maternity leave through October, her position has been filled by Tyna Rolon, and Helene Begley, BHS Reading Specialist, will be joining the BMS staff two periods per day.

**SINI Plan:** The BMS School in Need of Improvement Plan was approved by the NH Department of Education in August, and the action plan includes more extensive work with mathematics vocabulary, graph/chart interpretation, and RTI/Differentiation relative to mathematics instruction.

**Summer Clearing:** Many trees were removed from the BMS playground area, opening it up for better supervision, more play area, and less danger of falling branches.

**Math Camp:** Twenty-four to thirty students participated in two weeks of intensive math instruction in a fun "Survivor" format from August 9-20. Students were capably instructed by Amy Hartung, Sue Pribis, Heidi Proulx, and Jodi Gutterman. Math Camp was provided at no cost to selected students needing reinforcement in mathematics, courtesy of the AARA Grant.

**Engineering Camp:** Curtis Edwards and Stan Wawrzyniak led an Engineering Camp from August 9-13 with a full class of students from grades 6-8. Reports from teachers, students, and parents indicate that the camp was a big success.

**NFL Team Pride Contest:** The PTO is working with the Language Arts Department to sponsor an NFL Team Pride Day on Friday, September 10. Students will submit essays and photos from their celebration to NFLRUSH.com. If we are among the winning schools, we will receive a \$10,000 health & wellness grant that will be used to improve the BMS playground. Mr. Spofford and Mrs. Girard will be coordinating their Welcome-Back-Barbeque with this event. We appreciate the efforts of our PTO to coordinate this event.

**Congratulations:** Peter Mazurowski is performing as Billy, the lead role on a Broadway production. Peter attended grades 5-7 at BMS and will be home-schooled in New York for his 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. BMS Faculty will provide curricular information to Peter's teachers in NYC.  
<http://www.playbill.com/news/article/142144-Broadways-Billy-Elliot-Will-Welcome-Peter-Mazurowski-in-Title-Role>

**Ready to Go:** BMS Secretaries have completed schedules, registrations, and student and staff handbooks to ensure a smooth opening to the year. Custodians have also done a fine job preparing the school for opening day. Many thanks to Tom Klapproth for his efforts and coordination of the custodial staff. Thanks to all we are "Ready to Go!"

Kirk Spofford and Donna Girard