

# BRADFORD BULLETIN

BRADFORD ACADEMY'S PARENT UPDATE

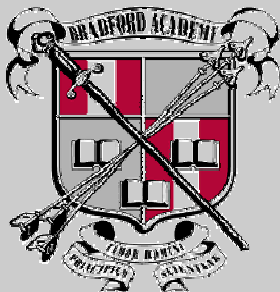
## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **06/01** - Field Day 8:30 a.m.
- **06/02** - Bible Bee 9:00 a.m.
- **06/03** - Last Day of School
- **07/04** - Independence Day!
- **08/10** - Family Cookout
- **08/12** - FIRST DAY of SCHOOL

## PRAYER

Please pray for God's supply:

- 1) Scholarship fund.
- 2) Increased enrollment for 2015/2016. We would like to fill up the remaining spots in each grade and build each class to 10 or 12 students. Pray with us.
- 3) Plans for facilities to house our growing school.
- 4) We hope to add one new staff member. Please pray that the Lord would guide us as we seek to grow the team.
- 5) Spiritual fruit among our students.



## WE'RE WRAPPING IT UP!

This week we wrapped up most of our academic activities with the last of our projects, tests, and the standardized testing. The kids have persevered well and have shown the strength of character we expect. Good job!

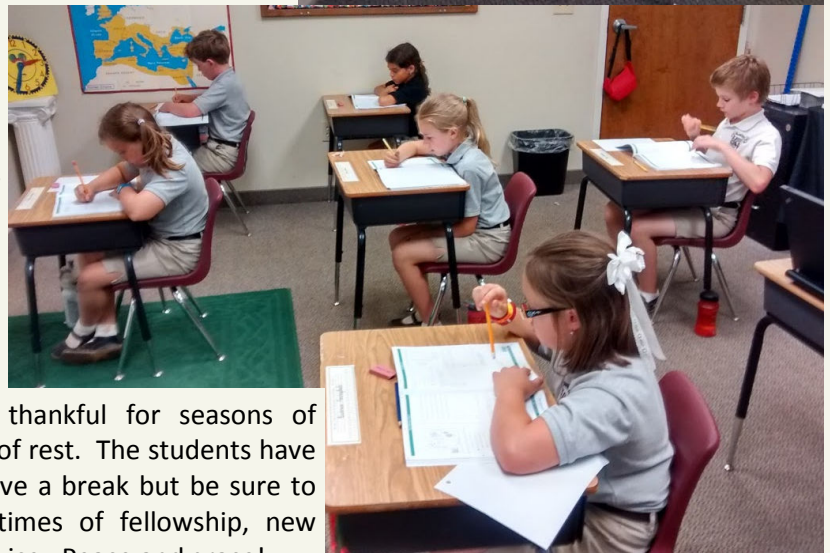
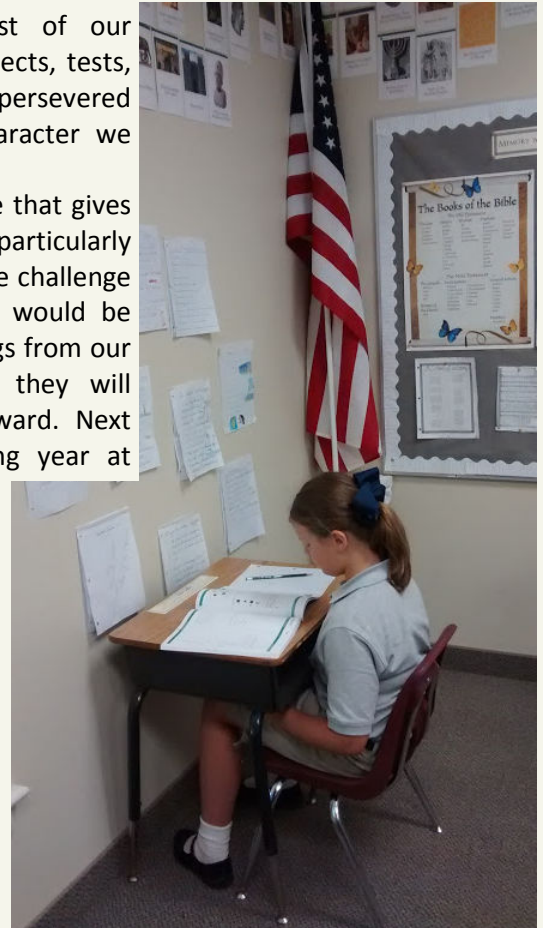
It has been an exciting year and one that gives us much reason to rejoice. I have been particularly excited to see our seventh graders rise to the challenge of OMNIBUS I and flourish! We knew it would be difficult, but I believe if we expect hard things from our kids and give them tools and support, they will accomplish great things. Now, we move forward. Next year is shaping up to be another exciting year at

Bradford Academy so be sure to stay in touch over the summer!

However, before we jump into the 2015/2016 school year, I think we all need a little break. Next week we will enjoy FIELD DAY, the BIBLE BEE, and our END-OF-YEAR CELEBRATION on Wednesday, at the home of the WILLIAMS! At noon, school is out for the summer. I look forward to the excitement of the final week as the students finish up the year with fun activity. Field Day activities start at 8:30 AM. All are welcome! The Bible Bee starts

at 9:00 AM on Tuesday in the auditorium. Again, parents are welcome to watch. Our annual classroom clean-up will follow. Finally, the END-of-YEAR PICNIC starts at 8:00 on Wednesday.

We are so thankful for seasons of activity and seasons of rest. The students have done well and deserve a break but be sure to use the break for times of fellowship, new experiences, and service. Peace and grace!



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# From the Teacher's Desk



**MISS STEVENSON** (2ND GRADE)

**Math:** Simplifying Expressions With Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division, Identifying Place Value to Millions, Making a Line Plot, Identifying the Mode, Range, and the Median of a Set of Data

**Reading:** *The Story of the Treasure Seekers*

I am honestly not ready for this school year to come to an end. I have enjoyed working with your children that much! Each and every one of them has been such a blessing to me this year. Thank you, parents, for working so hard with your children and for supporting them (and me) at home. I do not take for granted the difference it makes to have students whose parents are so involved in their education. I hope that you all have a safe and relaxing summer!

**MRS. MITCHELL** (KINDERGARTEN)

While all the others classes are testing, Kindergarten has been finishing up our last lessons in the math curriculum, stretching our reading skills by exploring books with unfamiliar words (and I am very excited about their decoding skills), practicing for the Bible Bee and enjoying one last week of history, music, art, P.E. and science. It is amazing to see how these students have grown and adjusted to this year's pivotal step toward independence. I am very proud of them and will miss each one. Enjoy the summer with them!

**MRS. CAMPBELL** (1ST GRADE)

**Math:** Identifying intersecting/perpendicular lines; subtracting three-digit numbers and money amounts; estimating differences; final fact assessment (multiplying by 2)

**Reading:** *Caught in Smiles and Fathers' Faith*

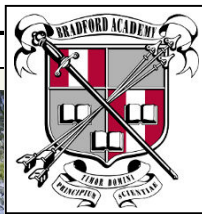
It doesn't seem that we should be wrapping up subjects and putting away books! This school year has flown by and what an adventure it has been! I am overwhelmed with gratefulness for all the Lord has done this year, not only in transitioning my clan to become part of the Bradford family, but also in the lives of my 12 precious first graders. They have matured - personally, academically, spiritually - and risen to the occasion with all that was asked of them. I was, at times, brought to tears listening to them pray with great faith and fervor. These are the moments that will not be forgotten! It is my prayer that they are well-prepared for the challenges and adventures that await in second grade! May the Lord bless and keep you over the summer break!

**MR. JOHNSTON** (3RD GRADE)

We have had a tremendous year. I am very thankful for these students and look forward to watching them grow. I trust they have enjoyed our walk through ancient Greece and Rome and all the related stories and legends. I know they will be very excited to hit the material again when it is their turn to tackle OMNIBUS 1 in seventh grade. They have been very good to work with and have been very patient with me and the many interruptions to our day as I was called on for my different tasks. Thank you! It has been a privilege working with these young scholars. I look forward to teaching them again when they get older. May they never forget Dangerman and always watch out for the Zoids. And more importantly, may they never forget the Bible talks we've had and always keep asking questions. Even if your teacher gets off-topic and goes down a rabbit trail, if you have a serious question, ask it. I'll be keeping an eye on you. Have a great summer.







## MRS. HAMILTON (4TH GRADE)

What a blessing it has been to teach each one of your children this year! I am truly thankful for the privilege of being their fourth grade teacher. I hope I have encouraged them to become better students, better children, better sisters and brothers, and better friends. Each one of your children has brought joy to my heart through their eagerness and genuine excitement for learning, their love for all things science and history (including the Great Papal Schism), their gift for putting their true feelings on paper, their amazing perseverance in difficulty, their spiritual sensitivity, and their consistently joyous spirit. Rarely have I encountered a group this excited for mathematical sequences or simple machines! Thank you, parents, for making my first year at Bradford wonderful. I truly felt appreciated and loved. I pray for a safe summer for your children, filled with fun, laughter, adventures, and time spent in the Word of God (my final encouragement for them). I truly believe they are ready to take fifth grade by storm!



of them has been very encouraging. It is my earnest prayer that each one of them will grow up to be lovers of God and mighty servants for His glory. Through many trials, rebukes, and hard work every boy in my class has officially survived their first year of middle school (although some of them may feel otherwise). I hope you all have a great summer and I am already looking forward to next year!

## MR. HAMILTON (7TH GRADE)

It is hard to overestimate how proud I am of our seventh graders this year! It really has been a fantastic year. Despite the stress and difficulty of much of our curriculum, the students persevered and showed great grace under pressure. I am so proud of the skills we have developed and the maturity we have gained! In addition to our classroom labors,

we have had occasions of real joy this year, and these will no doubt provide memories for years to come. Thank you so much, parents, for your understanding and patience with us this year, and for the crucial role you play in making your children such a joy to teach!

## MISS WINDES (5TH GR.)

Amazing! Another year nearly finished! We spent our final week testing, doing our final math and history tests, and reading as much of *Treasure Island's* adventures as we could. I wanted to teach so that I could continue learning and bring other young hearts and minds to that joy and growth . . . learning not just about battles and heroes, commas and capitals, fractions and decimals, but also learning about wisdom and God's greatness, courage and failure, beauty and character. This class in particular has brought a special delight in gaining knowledge and understanding, having an eagerness and seriousness about even the mundane topics. They have put in a good year's work and I pray for them that throughout this summer and their lives they will always seek knowledge and wisdom with this same eagerness and joy.

## MR. GARBER (6TH GRADE)

Another year is done and dusted. After many laughs, tests, assignments, and, as you parents know more than I do, late nights of homework, the school year is now coming to a close. It has truly been a joy teaching this group of boys all year. The growth and development I have seen in each one



## MRS. GOMEZ (MUSIC)

It has been a delightful year teaching your children music. We learned about families of instruments, Mozart, Handel, Rossini, Sousa, tempo, dynamics, musical form, music history, opera, playing the recorder, singing in parts, how to improve other aspects of our singing, and much more. Even though they have gained all this knowledge and practice, my heart's desire is that each of your children will ultimately be "...singing and making melody in [their hearts] to the Lord...." (Ephesians 5:19)! May He bless you with grace and peace this summer!



# Final EQUESTRIAN Club







Our little cedars have come a long way since we planted them with Mrs. Ogle a few years ago!



## Garden Club



Hard at work rejuvenating the Bradford Garden!