

Balmville Broadcast

November 25, 2008

Acting Principal's Message – Many thanks to the Balmville School PTA for a wonderful Movie Night with Kung –Fu Panda here at Balmville School. The PTA also wishes to thank all of those volunteers who gave their time and energy to making Movie Night so successful.

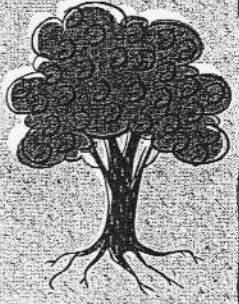
Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving to the entire Balmville School Community!

Health and Safety Issues- There are still dropping off and dismissal concerns at Balmville School. Parents still continue to park on Fostertown Road although parking is provided on school premises. Parents are lingering after their child is picked up, causing other parents to search for limited parking spots. Parents are still dropping off students across the street; children are unescorted running across the road. Parents are still leaving the front parking area and turning left, instead of making a right turn onto Fostertown Road. We want all children to remain safe at Balmville School with your continuous support.

Important Dates



November 25, 2008	PTA Meeting @ 7pm (Special presentation of the Carly Sigelbaum fundraiser check to the Saturnelli-Sigelbaum family)
November 26, 2008	½ Day for Staff and Students
November 27, 2008	Thanksgiving Recess-No School
November 28, 2008	Thanksgiving Recess-No School
December 2, 2008	Picture Re-take Day
December 4, 2008	Compact Central Committee@ West Street School
December 9, 2008	ELA Benchmark Exams-Grade 2-6
December 11, 2008	Math Benchmark Exams-Grade 2-6
December 11, 2008	Balmville Winter Concert @ 7pm



Presidential Election

Obama's Landslide Victory

On November 4th, 2008, America voted for a new president. Everywhere the polls were jammed and people waited from five minutes to as long as two or three hours. The night was extreme for the citizens of the United States. An anxious atmosphere built up, higher and higher. Every time Senator Obama won over a state in electoral votes, his supporters would cheer and scream for joy. At times Senator McCain was in the lead with electoral votes, but when more votes were counted things changed. Some African Americans were particularly ecstatic because Senator Obama is the first African American president in our country's history. Some people who had taken part in the Civil Rights Movement couldn't even speak. For many, the night was truly spectacular.

by Rhiannon Radu

Obama Wins the Presidential Election

Every four years a new President is elected. This year the president is Barack Obama. Obama won 364 electoral votes when only 270 were needed. His opponent, Senator John McCain, had only 173 electoral votes. Barack Obama is the first African American to be President. He has a wife named Michelle and two little girls.

Barack Obama will not be the official United States President until Inauguration Day, on January 20, 2009. I am glad that we won because he has promised to fix many of our nation's problems.

by Rachel Miller