



Le Bon Mot...

La Gazette de l'Ecole Bilingue

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Pour la semaine du 03 au 07 Mai

Les Dates

5/3-5/7 ERB Testing for 3rd, 4th & 5th Grades

5/4 Mathe' Magie show at EB preK-5th Grade at 6pm

5/8 Second Self Defence class 11am-2pm

5/8 Spring Wine Tasting and Art show at Gen. Pershing 6-8pm

5/12 Parent/Teacher conference- **12pm Dismissal for all students**

5/13 APPEL MEETING - 6PM

5/19 Fête des maternelles 10:30 Gen.Pershing

5/20 Conseil d'Ecole - 6PM

5/21 Fête des parents - Parents' day

5/28 Last Day for Maternelle Students (Crèche-MS)

6/02 Last Day for Elementary students (KG-5)

Borders Benefit day for EB - May 15 & 16 at the St. Charles location

We are all set for Borders Benefit Days for Ecole Bilingue, to be held on May 15 and 16. There will be a table set up in the children's section with books by French authors or French inspired stories in English and a few French language selections.

20% of the sales proceeds from the event will go to EB! The benefit applies to ALL items in the store!!

We will provide the coupons to be presented in folders as well as email.

The last bookfair at Borders in October 2009 generated \$2,699.36 for Ecole Bilingue

Thanks so much for all your support !

Fête Française 2010 Preliminary Numbers !!

Many, many thanks to Val Titus who has been working tirelessly to organize our Fête financials like a real pro!!

While the numbers are not final they are close enough to publish:

Total Gross Proceeds: \$89,472.53

Expenses: \$34,467.97

Pending Net Total: \$55,004.56

Save the Date!
AND TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS

ECOLE BILINGUE PRESENTS
**A TASTE OF SUMMER
WINE + CHEESE
FUNDRAISER**
SATURDAY, MAY 8TH • 6 - 8P

more info coming soon

CALL FOR TICKETS: 896.4500
*tickets include a keepsake Ecole Bilingue wine glass

tickets purchased before may 5th:
\$30/person | \$50/couple | \$20/faculty

tickets purchased after may 5th:
\$35/person | \$60/couple | \$25/faculty

Fête des Parents - Parents' Day May 21

We are happy to inform you that, just as we did the last 2 years, we will be celebrating you, the parents!

In order to celebrate all parents, we will have the children make some gifts that they can present to the important people in their life.

Merci beaucoup !

School Policy reminder

This is a brief reminder of the school's shoe policy. As the weather gets warmer it is understandable that you would opt for a lighter, more open shoe. However, it is still against school policy to wear any open-toe or open-heel shoes, including crocs. This rule is in place for the safety and protection of the children.

Class Request:

Elodie's class is in need of cola or beer bottle caps for a project. You may drop these off at the General Pershing campus. Merci~

Tuition Raffle Tickets on sale now!

Tickets are \$100 each for a chance to win tuition for one child for the 2010-2011 school year at Ecole Bilingue. You may purchase these tickets at the General Pershing or Perrier campuses. The drawing will be held at the End of Year Picnic on May 28. Winner will be reimbursed any tuition already paid. Look for this notice:

BUY YOUR TUITION RAFFLE TICKETS TODAY!

Only 300 tickets will be sold!
Great odds!

Simply return this form to the school's office
with payment as soon as possible.
Each ticket is \$100.00.

If you win your tuition payment will be refunded.
(Fees are NOT included with this raffle. Only tuition will be refunded.)

Remember grandparents, Godparents, friends,
aunts and uncles can buy too!!!

The drawing will be LIVE at the end of school picnic on May 28.
Need not be present to win!

Family Name of Order _____
Contact number in case of questions _____
How many do you want? _____

Would you like us to place the tickets in your child's backpack? _____
Would you like to pick them up from the office? _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT: How much is payment: _____

Cash _____
Check _____ Check# _____
Credit Card _____ CC# _____ EXP _____ CIN# _____
Name on card _____

If you use a credit card 3% will be added.

Second Self Defense class - May 8 from 11am-2pm

Our 2nd Women Self Defense seminar will be held on Saturday, the 8th of May, from 11am to 2pm at the Gen. Pershing campus. It will be taught by Myron Gaudet, a New Orleans native who has been training in reality based martial arts for 26 years.

He is a veteran police officer (since 1992). Between 2003-2005, Myron served internationally as head of the police defensive tactics unit for the United Nations Mission in Kosovo. He has taught police, military, and civilians throughout his career. In addition to tactical training, Myron is also a Mixed Martial Arts coach and state licensed referee. Based on his experience, he has developed a lesson plan specifically for women's self defense that is now being taught in the New Orleans area.

The price will be \$25 per person: half of the proceeds will be donated to the school. We will need a minimum of 10 women, and a maximum of 20.

If you are interested, please let Adeline at Perrier or Tona at General Pershing know, or feel free to email Magali at magali.niel@ebnola.com.



MAY 8, 2010 11-2PM
WOMEN SELF DEFENSE WORKSHOP

ECOLE BILINGUE DELA NOUVELLE ORLEANS

821 GENERAL PERSHING NOLA 70115
5/8/10 11-2pm
(504)896-4500

PRESENTED BY:



(504)579-4044
(504)915-9739

Carpool and Parking information :

Please note that NO PARKING- PASSENGER ZONE signs have been placed on General Pershing Street in front of the school. The No Parking times are 7-9am and 2-4pm from Monday to Friday. Meter maids are ticketing.

Thanks for your attention and the support in the safety of our students.

April Birthday's

General Pershing:

Remy 4/5
Braylen 4/6
Sasha 4/19
Grey 4/25
Kadaira 4/24
Alfred 4/25
Sophia 4/24

Perrier:

Jude 4/27
Sophia 4/4
Roy 4/28

Merci Beaucoup !!

Thank you to Shelly Nettles for organizing the farewell breakfast for our French visitors.

Thank you to Kiran Pugh for maintaining the beautiful flower and vegetable gardens at school.

Thank you to Kathryn Lemieux and Mary Carstens for their hundreds of hours of hard work on our 2009/2010 yearbook. It is BEEEEEEEEUTIFUL !!!!!!!!

Thank you to Mary Dawn Pugh, Crickett Lapeyre and Alexandra Stafford for playing tour guides for the French visitors.

Welcome new EB staff member

Welcome to our new interim bookkeeper/CPA, Judy Terrell. Judy is working part-time. Her email is judy.terrell@ebnola.com. She has quite a bit to catch up on so please be patient on bookkeeping matters during the next week or so.

French Babysitter Available:

Marie Forestier is available for babysitting in the evening or during the day. 504 470 9105 elodiefor@yahoo.com or dannykym_78@hotmail.com

Summer Camp 2010:

With just a few spots remaining in each section, there's still time to register for Camp Lango!

At Camp Lango kids enjoy all of the fun and play of a traditional summer camp environment while gaining a highly valued skill; command of a foreign language! Our campers have a BLAST learning French, Spanish or Mandarin-Chinese in an exciting summer camp environment, through creative hands on activities like Circus Arts, team sports & games, water play (including fun on our giant inflatable water slides), creative cooking, rock climbing, skating, puppetry, costume design, and so much more. Please visit our website for a full list of our field trips and activities and to check out our Themes and Destinations.

We offer a 10% full summer registration discount and a 5% sibling registration discount!
Camp Lango is perfect for potty trained kids 2.5-12 years old!

Dates:

Session I: 6/7-6/18 Session II: 6/21-7/2 Session III: 7/5-7/16 Session IV: 7/19-7/30

Hours:

Full time hours: 8:30-3:30
Beforecare: 7:30-8:30 Aftercare: 3:30-5:30

Tuition:

Full time: \$429 per 2 week session
Full time full summer with discount: \$386 per 2 week session
Full time full summer sibling with discount: \$365 per 2 week session

Beforecare: \$25 per 2 week session

Aftercare: \$75 per two week session

All discounts apply to before and aftercare

To register, please return the attached form and tuition or deposit of \$100 per session, per camper to:

Attn: Camp Lango / Ecole Bilingue / 821 General Pershing St. NOLA 70115 We look forward to camping with your little ones this summer!

For more information, please contact Yelena Brookshire Lango Regional Director / 504.344.1661

Census Reminder

This is a reminder that the deadline for responding to the U.S. census is May 1.

The federal government uses the information to determine how much money to send to each state to help pay for education, parks, roads, healthcare, etc.

The more people we have living in Louisiana, the more money Louisiana we will receive.

All census information is kept confidential by law.

The Census Bureau may NOT share info with the IRS (tax dept.), Immigration, or any other U.S. agency.

As a Louisiana citizen, I ask you to let the U.S. know you're here, so we can have better resources for our students, our families, and ourselves. If you have any questions, I will be happy to answer them, or help you find answers.

Rae Horton - English Teacher - rae.horton@ebnola.com

Health Notice to EB parents

We would like for you to be aware of a few childhood illnesses that are occurring on the both campuses.

- Two children have been diagnosed with ringworm. Please check your child for any symptoms of this round, scaly rash. It is easily treatable with a prescription cream, but is highly contagious.
- There also seems to be a stomach virus going around. It has ranged from aggressive to a mild 24 hour bug.

We know that this is a concern for parents and we are taking the following precautions at school:

We have notified the cleaning staff so they can be extra vigilant about disinfecting all surfaces and bathrooms.

Our staff who will continue to be vigilant about hand-washing for themselves and the children and will also clean and disinfect toys this week in addition to the regular cleaning.

For further information on common childhood illnesses, feel free to visit www.kidshealth.org.

Annual Giving News:

Last Chance for Snow-Balls! Contribute by Friday, April 30!

The *2009-2010 Annual Giving Campaign* wraps up April 30, 2010. **Only a week left to earn your child a SnowBall party!** A SnowBall party in May goes to the class with the highest percentage of participation. **Moyenne, Section 1** is in First Place! **CE2 3rd Grade** is Second. Then we have in descending order: Moyenne Section 2, Crèche, CEI, G2, CP, CM1/2, TPS/PS and G1. There is still time to make a contribution on behalf of your child! We want Snow-Balls for everyone, so give today!

Thanks to those of you who have responded to your pledge reminders. As the Campaign ends April 30, 2010, please make good on your pledges and/or participate by Friday, April 30, 2010. Donation forms are linked on the website or you can merely send in a check with the notation "Annual Giving." Do not forget to tell us if you are affiliated with the following local matching companies so we can increase the size of your gift: **Bank of America, Baptist Community Ministries, Capital One Bank, Dominion Foundation, Entergy Corporation, Freeport-McMoRan, McKessonHBOC Foundation, Microsoft Matching Gifts Program, Shell Oil Company Foundation, UBX/PaineWebber, Wachovia Foundation, and Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign.** Thanks for all your help in making this a great campaign and a rewarding way to support our school.

School calendar 2010-2011

- **PRE-BACK-TO-SCHOOL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

Monday, August 16 through Friday August 20 : faculty orientation

Friday October 15 : $\frac{1}{2}$ day - 12pm dismissal for all students - no aftercare or activities. Professional development day for employees.

Friday April 15 : $\frac{1}{2}$ day - 12pm dismissal for all students - no aftercare or activities. Professional development day for employees.

- **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Monday, August 23 : (Kindergarten / 1st / 2nd / 3rd / 4th & 5th)

Monday, August 30 : (Creche / Toute Petite PreK2 / Petite PreK3 & Moyenne PreK4)

HOLIDAYS

Monday, September 6 : Labor Day

Monday, January 17 : Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

- **VACATIONS**

Mid-term break : Friday, October 15 noon to Monday, October 25 morning.

Thanksgiving : Tuesday, November 23 after class to Monday, November 29 morning.

Winter break : Friday, December 17 noon to Monday, January 3 morning.

Mardi Gras break : Friday, March 4 noon to Monday, March 14 morning.

Spring break : Friday, April 15 noon to Monday, April 25 morning.

- **LAST DAY OF CLASS**

Tuesday, May 31 : (Creche / Toute Petite PreK2 / Petite PreK3 & Moyenne PreK4)

Friday, June 3 : (Kindergarten / 1st / 2nd / 3rd / 4th & 5th)