



*Learning to think through life.*

# Mack Memo

Dear Mack Parents,

It always feels like a glorious new beginning as January rolls around and we head back to school. A new year and a new decade! I am grateful for the reflection of the Christmas season and its meaning in the lives of believers everywhere but now we get a fresh start, looking ahead at the things God has for us this year. One of the life lessons we teach at Mack is the idea of fresh beginnings, offered through a relationship with Jesus Christ. Every morning, with each new sunrise, He sends us a fresh start, new mercies with brand new promise. Whatever has happened before is forgiven and our children have an opportunity to make the most of their day, knowing that they are a forgiven child of God. Everyone enters school each day with this assuredness; forgiveness is theirs through the cross. What a way to start a new day, a new year and a new decade. Anything and everything is possible!

As we look forward to this year, there are some important school highlights coming up.

1. **Women of Purpose Coffee talks!** Did you know that there are Mack moms doing amazing things for women and children around the world to prevent human trafficking? Mark your calendar for **February 11<sup>th</sup>**, after drop off, and come and hear their stories. This is NOT a fund raiser. It is a chance to meet more Mack moms and start your day feeling inspired.

2. **Re-enrollment** is right around the corner! If you are wondering about what might be coming up for your student in next year's program, please let me know and I will give you the curriculum highlights of the next grade level.

3. Many of our families come to Mack because they know someone who is already here. Word of mouth is our best advertising tool. Please tell your friends and neighbors about the prospective family meetings that are coming up in January and February. Robust enrollment makes a vibrant school community!

May this New Year remind you that you have a fresh beginning each morning in Jesus so 'may God fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.' Romans 15:13

Thank-you so much for the wonderful treats, gift cards and Christmas greetings! It is a complete blessing to serve you at Bellevue Christian School.

Happy New Beginning,

*Debbie Symonds*

# Parent Group News

Happy New Year!!

I hope everybody had a wonderful Christmas holiday. As many of you know, mine got off to a rocky start with a rushed and somewhat complicated gall bladder removal. I'm back to about 90% and feeling good. I'd like to thank all for you for your prayers & support not only for me but my family as well. They were truly appreciated. If anyone has any good post gall bladder advice, I'd love to hear it.

For our event this month you'll need to break out the hair brushes & combs as **classroom pictures are on Jan. 27th.**

Ok, who wants a milk shake? How 'bout a burger? A good way to accomplish both of these is to join us for a Mack fund raiser at **Ruby's Diner in either Woodinville or Redmond on Feb. 4th.** We will have more info. & flyers (**which you'll need to bring with you**) out in a couple of weeks.

Start planning now for the **Mack Talent Show** which will be on **Feb. 26th from 6 -9 pm at the Clyde Hill campus.** Whether you're involved in the show or not, come on out. I will guarantee you an evening of fun, laughter & fellowship. Last year was my first and I was amazed at the talent of the Mack kids. **Auditions for the show will be held on Feb. 3rd & 4th from 2:45 - 4:30 in the M.P.R.** Back by popular demand, heading up the talent portion of the show is the one & only Kelly Lawson. Feel free to contact her with any questions you may have.

Our next **PTF meeting** will be on **Jan.15th** at 8:30am in the Library. Please join us.

In His service,

*Tom Pridmore*

PTF President

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## Calendar Highlights

To see what events are scheduled this month, as well as for the school year, click this link:  
<http://calendar.bellevuechristian.org/index.php?>

Once you are there, you can filter the calendar to show just Mack events if you prefer—just click the “filter” button and select Mack.

Jan. 8— Geography Bee

Jan. 13—Open House for Prospective Families

Jan. 15—PTF Meeting

Jan. 18—NO SCHOOL, Martin Luther King Day

Jan. 20—Early Dismissal at 1:00 due to Collaboration Day

Jan. 22—Experience Kindergarten

Jan. 27—Group/classroom pictures

Jan. 29—NO SCHOOL, Teacher In-Service

## Lost & Found

Be sure to check the Lost & Found items in the designated area in the classroom building.

