



# Around Brown

## News, Events and Celebrations In Our Community

### Fantastic Friday Free Food Table

Congratulations and a special thanks to committed Kindergarten parents, Susan Reyland and Brooke White for the hugely successful kick off of the Helping Hands campaign. On Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> the playground became a cornucopia of good will for the families of our school. Working in cooperation with King Soopers on 38<sup>th</sup> and Federal, a tremendous offering of baked goods, tortillas, chips, dips, fruit, vegetables and canned goods were donated to help feed our families. All for free. We will now be holding a weekly Friday Free Food Table. All parents and children are welcome to come and partake in this generous gift from the community that embodies the wonderful values of our school.

**When:** *Every Friday, 3:45-4:15 p.m.*

**Where:** *Playground or Front Lobby*

### Coats + Canned Goods= Good Karma

In keeping with the community spirit of the Friday Food Table, we are continuing to collect coats and canned goods for those in need. Please donate your gently used coats to the front lobby coat karma donation box. Canned goods can also be placed in boxes in the lobby. When you help others in need, good karma follows. Each Friday Free Food Table will distribute the donated canned goods. It will also be a venue to purchase a coat. They are \$1.00 and are available to anyone in need. Please donate a can of food and your unneeded, outgrown, or "I have no space in the coat closet" outerwear and enjoy the warmth of giving.

**When:** *Coats available to purchase every Friday, 3:45-4:15 p.m.*

**Where:** *Playground or Front Lobby*

**ETC.:** *If you are in need of food or coats you can also call Sally Whitelock at Brown 303.477.1611*

### Calling all students!

The PTO is urgently trying to finalize the Brown Student Directory. Please fill out the forms that will be available at special events such as Math Night and the upcoming Santa Shops in December. There are also forms available in the office. This directory will be a useful tool for helping you locate your children's classmates phone numbers. You must fill out a form to be included.

**When:** *Now through December 21*

### IB Excellence Update

Awareness of Brown's excellence is growing as the PTO's Marketing and Communications' Committee sponsored an IB Information Session last Thursday night for current and prospective Brown families. Over 30 parents came to learn more about the International Baccalaureate curriculum our dedicated teachers use to educate the minds and hearts of our children. They were treated to a wonderful presentation by our IB coordinator, Amy Highsmith, and our principal Suzanne Loughran. Many prospective parents remained afterwards to chat with current parents about the exciting things they learned. Special thanks goes to Amy Highsmith, Linda Lidov, Hi Howard and the student greeters who helped to make this event such a success. Another presentation is scheduled for early next year.

### An Hour of Power

Calling all volunteers! Every event in this newsletter requires parent participation. Even an hour helps and communicates your commitment to your children and their school. If you would like to assist in some way, even an hour counts! Drop your name and phone number in the PTO mailbox in the school office and you will be contacted, or join us for the next PTO meeting to learn more.

**When:** *Nov. 30, 9-10 a.m. or 3:45-4:30p.m.*

**Where:** *Community Room (basement)*