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Black Bear Tracks & Facts

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Message from the Principal

I hope your family has had a great start to the 2009-10 school year! From an administrative perspective, it seemed like one of the smoothest beginnings in my nineteen years in education. I attribute this to the collaborative efforts of an enthusiastic staff, supportive community and eager students!

Health concerns related to the H1N1 virus continue to make headlines. At Blattman, we continue to be proactive by keeping healthy habits such as handwashing at the forefront of students' attention and communicating with families of children who are ill.

With written parent permission, H1N1 flu vaccinations will be provided free of charge to Northside students on their home campuses sometime before the winter break. Details will be provided as they become available. Our district and campus are carefully planning to ensure a smooth process for those who choose to participate. Up-to-date information will be shared through Friday folders and the district and campus websites (www.nisd.net & www.nisd.net/blattman).

Special thanks to our school nurse, Nancy Deschaine, R.N. "Nurse Nancy" has been actively involved in promoting healthy habits and monitoring student attendance and health. We are thankful to have her expertise, care and compassion for our children!

Thank you to the entire Blattman community for your continued support of our children: *Blattman Black Bears...Best Kids Anywhere!*

Sincerely,

Carin Adermann

Principal



Entries and entry forms for this year's

PTA Reflections program are due

Monday, October 26th.

Categories include

Literature ~ Visual Arts ~

Photography ~ Musical Composition ~

Dance Choreography ~

Film Production

Students in Grades 2-5 will begin a literature essay in class with the "Beauty is..." theme which will be sent home. Students are highly encouraged to complete this literature piece to submit for entry. We can't wait to see our children's creativity & beauty shine through!

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2009

Sunday

November 8, 2009

4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

**Dinner, Live Auction,
Silent Auction, Children's**

**Art Auction and
Cub Zone for the Kids!**

**Don't miss this fundraiser
and fun family event!**