



NEWSLETTER

Roots Public Charter School
SEPTEMBER 2012

KARIBU! Welcome Back!

The *Roots Public Charter School* extends a warm **Welcome** to the parents of our continuing students. We especially want to **Welcome** all of our *new* parents and students. **THIS YEAR WILL BE THE BEST YET !**

Once again, we will formulate our in-house *Parent Directory*. It would be very beneficial for all parents to have current, e-mail addresses, home and work phone numbers of our **Roots'** families. If for some reason, you prefer *not* having your number listed, please inform your child's teacher of another number to be listed when you need to be contacted by other parents.

TOGETHER, WE WILL CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN !

Uniform Policy:

ALL Roots Public Charter School students are expected to arrive at school *daily*, wearing the school uniform— NO EXCEPTIONS!! Parents will be called to pick-up their children who are not in uniform.

PTA MEETING: **“Sit in Your Child’s Seat”**

The first Roots PCS PTA meeting will be held **Thursday, September 13th at 6:00pm.**

Reminder: Attendance is required for at least one parent per household. *Childcare is not provided.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

This month we will commemorate the birthday of our historic role model, **Kwame Nkrumah**. Though the actual date he was born is not known, we commemorate his birth on September 21, 1909. Dr. Kwame Nkrumah was the first Prime Minister of Ghana, which was the first African country to win independence from colonial rule in 1957.



We will also honor our present day role model, **Ruby Bridges**, born September 8, 1954 in New Orleans, Louisiana. In 1960 at six years of age, she was one of the first black children to force integration of an all white public elementary school in the South. The first three weeks, she was escorted by Federal Marshals and was the *only* child in her class. Presently, Ruby Bridges Hall resides in New Orleans, La. In the effort “*to increase Parental Involvement in Education*” she founded “*The Ruby Bridges Foundation*”.

Our ROOTS Family Birthdays are:

9/1-Mama Michelle Abney-Love

9/2-Thomas Riddick

9/5-T' Lise Maske

9/6- Qadirah DeBruhl

9/7- Asael Newland

9/9—McKenzie Binion & Bella Woodfolk

9/19-Nilah Pettus, Ajani Bell ,Brook Jackson

9/30-Mama Rasheki Kuykendall-Walker



The Birthday Party will be held Friday September 28th At 2:30pm!

HABARI GANI?!

“What’s the News?”

School Trips and Assembly Presentations:

IMPORTANT: All students must be at school for field trips by 8:30am. If your child arrives **after** the bus leaves, there is **NO** acceptance of the child for that day. Children **cannot** be left in the office or brought to the trip **after** the class leaves the school. *Students are not to bring money on field trips unless parents are notified in writing: or via the newsletter .*

Friday, Sept. 7th –Primary & MS will visit the *Museum of Natural History*.

Tuesday, Sept.18th –The school will visit the “**Mobile Market**” (Roots parking lot).

Friday, Sept. 28th -Pre-Primary will visit the **National Zoo**.

TBA -Mama Rasheki’s Class will visit the *Museum of Natural History* for Earth Science exhibits & to view the **3D** Grand Canyon Adventure “**River At Risk**”. *(The youth tickets are \$7.50)*

Events

“SIT IN YOUR CHILD’S SEAT NIGHT”

Presented by the Pre-Primary

*When: Thursday, **September13, 2012** 6:00-8:00pm. Where: 6222 North Capitol Street NW*

Pre-Primary Classroom

AGENDA

-Reading Program -Parent Responsibilities
-Math Program -Performance Objectives

NOTE: *On -site childcare will be provided.*

Refreshments will be served!

Thank You ...

- * Thomas Dyson & Crew, for preparing the school for the new school year.
- All parents who stopped by to “lend a helping hand” with all the preparations for the New Year.
- * Baba Eddie Jones for the wonderful Educational materials donated to the Pre-Primary.

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

PAC meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month. The first **PAC** Meeting of the school year will be held on Tuesday, September 24th at 6:00pm. This will be a “kick-off meeting” for what we hope will be a productive and fun-filled year. All committee chairpersons are required to attend the meetings and all parents are required to work on **PAC** committees. Offer your skills; let us know your plans to help the school.

The annual **PAC** membership fee, \$25.00 (per family) was due **August 4th .** Please make checks payable to “**RPCS PAC**”. Write your child’s name in the memo area.

We extend a sincere welcome to our “*new member of the Roots Family*” :

Mama Preshona Ghose

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