



BROOKS SCHOOL

PARENT NEWSLETTER



Students, and Head of School John Packard, celebrated the New England Patriots' Super Bowl win by watching the parade in the dining hall on Tuesday.

Giving Day Success: Thank You Students, Parents!

While our goal was 380, an amazing 678 Brooks community members donated a total of \$161,522 to the Brooks Fund in just 24 hours on Wednesday! We can't thank our volunteers and our donors enough -- especially our students who helped spread the word and cheered us on. It is so great to have the whole Brooks family stand together.

It's Almost Feb. 14...

We still need parents to bake or buy Valentine's Day treats for our students! Please contact Claudia Kluchnik (ckluchnik@mac.com) or Tara O'Shea (taraloshea@verizon.net) if you can help.

Student Activities This Weekend

Click [here](#) for the schedule, including a pep rally and a fun Valentine's Dance!

The Scoop On Our Winter Musical, "Cabaret"

The scene is the Kit Kat Klub, a nightclub in Berlin, at the start of the 1930s. The Master of Ceremonies welcomes the audience to the show and assures them that, whatever their troubles, they will forget them at the Cabaret. Cliff, a young American writer, meets Ernst, a German. Later Ernst invites Cliff to the Kit Kat Klub. As Cliff enters, the Emcee introduces Sally Bowles, a young English girl. Musical numbers include "Willkommen," "Cabaret," "Mein Herr," "Maybe This Time," "The Money Song" and "Two Ladies." When we revisit the Klub at the end, much has changed. The performance ends with a stark foreshadowing of things to come.

"Cabaret" runs Feb. 16 - 18. Showtimes: Thursday, Feb. 16 and Friday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m., Saturday at 6:30 p.m. Please note that Saturday's show may be well-attended, making seats limited.

This show contains strong language and we've given it a PG-13 rating for siblings.

Driver's Education

Reminder: The Andover Auto School has added a Sunday driver's education class schedule for students interested in taking driver's ed. Students at least 15 years and 9 months old are eligible for the 30-hour course. For more information, click [here](#). Please note: Lunch is not provided, but can be purchased nearby. Questions? Contact Andover Auto School: 978-470-2060; AndoverAuto.com

Parents Needed: Community Appreciation Lunch

On Monday, March 27, before the students return from Spring Break, parents treat every employee at Brooks to lunch! Parents handle every aspect of lunch, from set-up to cooking, serving and clean up. This is YOUR chance to say thank you to the teachers, coaches, advisors, custodians, business office, registrar and librarians: each person who plays a role in your child's Brooks experience.

Please [sign up](#) to bring a dish, clean up or donate a raffle item. Even if you don't live around the corner, you can still help - just ask us how! We look forward to hearing from you. Contact Parents Committee volunteers Susan Barry P'13, P'16, P'18 (slbarry@comcast.net) Margaret Cifuni P'17 (mmcifuni@yahoo.com) or Sheila Serrao P'15, P'20 (sheilaserrao@aol.com).

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 14: Parents Committee's Treats For Your Sweets
 - Feb. 16-18: Winter Musical: "Cabaret"
 - Mar. 27: Parents Committee's Community Appreciation Lunch
 - Apr. 15: Grandparents' Day
 - Apr. 20: Sixth-Form Parent Dinner and Slideshow
 - Apr. 24: Parents of Latino Students Dinner
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New Items In The School Store!

Just in time for the musical, "Cabaret," next week, we have added a "theatre" hat

to our assortment of Brooks hats! It's a great gift idea to support your favorite thespian. We also just received these beautiful stoneware mugs. For further information and to order, please contact the School Store: 978-725-6300 x3112.

