

November

Bancroft Minneapolis Kids 2014 newsletter

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October Highlights and upcoming notes



A beautiful, warm fall has meant lots of time to play outside with friends!

October was packed full of exciting projects and events. We had a great time at the Bancroft Carnival. Our daily projects have included making kaleidoscopes, friendship bracelets, journals, and many others.

The creations at the Lego table have been consistently amazing. Reams of paper have been cut and colored, markers have been run dry, and many, many stickers have been stuck.

Parent Advisory Council

Bancroft Minneapolis Kids is in need of a parent to represent us with Parent Advisory Council. The meetings are held once every couple of months. It is a great opportunity to help shape the future of Minneapolis Kids both at Bancroft and city wide.

Meetings are at the Davis center:

(5:30 light dinner, 6:00—7:30 meeting)

Thursday, Nov. 20

Thursday, Jan. 2

Thursday, March 19

Thursday, May 14

Child Care is provided. Please contact staff for more information.



Non-School Days

Bancroft Minneapolis Kids is not open on non-school days, but students can attend other Minneapolis Kids programs that are open. Below are the upcoming days that school is not in session.

- ◆ Wednesday November 26th—Non-school day
- ◆ Thursday November 27th— Holiday
- ◆ Friday November 28th — Holiday

Our Staff:

Rita Hardie—Rita has worked with Mpls kids at different locations for about 3 1/2 years.

Holly Hoftman— Holly has been in the district for 20+ years. She is an EA at Bancroft school and comes to work with Mpls. Kids on M-T-W afternoon.

Karen Walker—Karen is new to Minneapolis Kids, but brings a lot of previous child care experience.

Steve Ashcroft — I am the new Site Coordinator at Bancroft! See next page for more.



A Bit About Mr. Steve

Thanks very much for the warm welcome. It has been great this month getting to meet many of you and your wonderful children. This is my first position as a site coordinator, though I have been with Minneapolis Kids for nearly a year. My work background includes both education (with the Minnesota Literacy Council and Carver Scott Educational Cooperative) and corporate writing and project management positions.

A few less boring details about Mr. Steve:

I have a dog named Mazzie and a cat named Fred.

I was born in South Africa, have lived in Minneapolis, Rural Ohio, and Brooklyn, but am happy to call this neighborhood home now.

I enjoy reading, bird watching, ultimate frisbee and sleeping in (on the rare occasions that my 2 year old permits it).

Feel free to let me know if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions about Bancroft Minneapolis Kids!

New iPad Sign Out

You may have noticed our new iPad based sign out system. Please bear with us as we adjust to the new system, and feel free to let us know if you have any questions or suggestions.

If you want to add someone as an authorized pick-up so that they can sign for your student please either do so through the Minneapolis.thatscommunityed.com site or by emailing Steve (steve.ashcroft@mpls.k12.mn.us). Please try to do this before they arrive to do a pick up!



Our Mission: To provide high quality school age child care for families. We offer a safe, nurturing, educational and recreational experience where children are encouraged to pursue interests and develop friendships, independence, and confidence.