

# BRIDGE BUGLE

A CPS "Rising Star" "School of Distinction" And

An Illinois Honor Roll of Schools "Academic Improvement Award" & "Spotlight School Award" Winner



Home  
of the  
Bulldogs



"Bruno"

Bridge School  
celebrates  
it's  
79th Year

# Welcome Back!



# Open House

## Wednesday, September 14th

### From 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

-Please come and meet our staff-

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- New Staff
- September Calendar
- 2005-2006 CPS dates
- Join the PTA!

## PLEASE JOIN THE PTA! AND HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL



*Go confidently in the  
direction of your  
dreams. Act as though  
it were impossible to  
fail.*

-Dorthea Brandt-

It only costs \$5.00 to become a Bridge School PTA member. All money raised by the PTA is spent on our children! Parent volunteers are also needed throughout the year to help support school functions. Please see a PTA officer or school office personnel to volunteer.

**PTA members receive a 15% discount from Barnes & Noble toward purchases. PTA members can also receive a 25% discount from Kinko's. To receive your discount present your PTA membership card at time of purchase.**





**Students/Teachers  
Staff/Parents**

Would you like to have a poem, article, short story, event, or other item of interest published in the Bridge Bugle?

Submit your item to Dr. Brake

on computer disk (Microsoft Word format preferred) no later than the third week of the month for publication in the next month's school newspaper.



Do you have any ideas, suggestions, or comments on ways to improve our school and the services that our children receive? If so, please call, write a letter, or see me to share your ideas. Your input is greatly appreciated. Thank You!  
Dr. Brake



# BRAKE'S TAKE

Welcome back. I hope everyone had a safe, peaceful summer. We have been very busy during the summer preparing for the 2005-2006 school year. Every classroom at Bridge School now has a brand new Dell computer and internet access. Our classrooms also have new dry erase whiteboards in them to replace the older, messier chalkboards. Our library has a state of the art

computer inventory system that school librarian Mrs. Banaszek and technology coordinator Mrs. Miarecki installed during their summer vacation.

We also have some fantastic new staff members and a lot of great new things planned for this school year that will help make this our best school year ever.

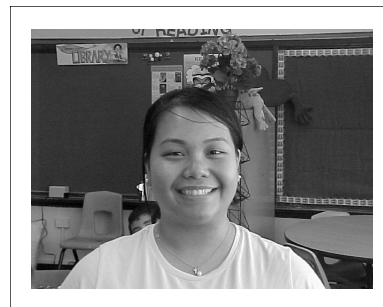
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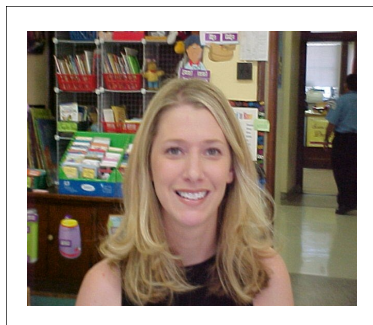
this school year and I look forward to everyone working together to continue making our school the best!

Let's have a great year!

## NEW FACES AT BRIDGE SCHOOL

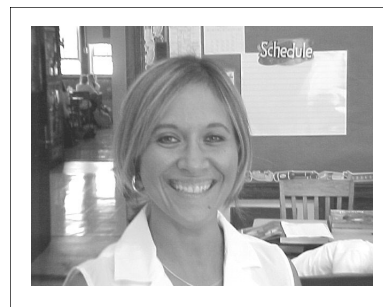


**Ms. Maria Gilana**  
5th Grade



**Ms. Kelly Hrenko**  
1st Grade\*

\* During Mrs. Anderson's maternity leave



**Mrs. Aida Quintana**  
6th Grade



# September 2005



Welcome Back!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Teacher Institute Day</i> No School	2 <i>Teacher Institute Day</i> No School	3
4	5 <b>Labor Day Holiday</b> No School	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 <i>Open House</i> 6-7:30 PM	15	16	17
18	19 <i>PTA/LSC Meetings</i> 6:00 PM	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 1/2 Day Professional Development 11:08 Dismissal	28	29	30	<b>Fall Book Fair</b> <i>Oct. 11-14</i>



Indicates day of non-attendance for students

# IMPORTANT CPS DATES 2005-2006 SCHOOL YEAR

## Special Back-to-School



**Bridge Elementary School**  
3800 N. New England  
Chicago, Illinois 60634  
773-534-3718

**Principal:**  
Dr. Christopher Brake  
**Assistant Principal:**  
Mrs. Margaret Taylor

### LSC

Parent Representatives:  
Mr. William Doyle  
Mrs. Lori Henmueller  
Mrs. Yvonne Majewski  
Mrs. Wioletta Rakoczy  
Mrs. Pamela Sparks  
Mrs. Renata Zabiega

Community Representatives:  
Mrs. Cheryl Filippini  
Mrs. Pat Walenga

Teacher Representatives:  
Mrs. Linda Barshop  
Mrs. Ideria Page

Administration:  
Dr. Christopher Brake

### PTA

President:  
Mrs. Lora Niewinski  
Vice-President:  
Mrs. Karen Dubicki  
Secretary:  
Mr. Bob Walsh  
Treasurer:  
Mrs. Jeannie Doyle

### Riddle of the Month

To what question can you never answer "yes"?

**Answer:**

Are you dead?  
Or  
Are you sleeping?



**Where's Bruno?**  
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## Holidays

October 10, 2005 - Columbus Day\*  
November 11, 2005 - Veterans Day Observance\*  
November 24 & 25, 2005 - Thanksgiving Holiday\*  
January 16, 2006 - M.L. King's Birthday\*  
February 13, 2006 - Lincoln's Birthday\*  
February 20, 2006 - Presidents Day\*  
March 6, 2006 - C. Pulaski's Birthday\*  
May 29, 2006 - Memorial Day\*

## Vacations

Winter Vacation - December 26, 2005—January 6, 2006\*  
Spring Vacation - April 10-14, 2006\*  
Summer Vacation - Schools close for students on Friday, June 16, 2006

## Report Card Pick-Up Parent-Teacher Conference Days

Wednesday, November 9, 2005\*  
Wednesday, April 19, 2006\*

## Report Card Distribution Days

Wednesday, February 1, 2006  
Friday, June 16, 2006

## Professional Development Days

Friday, November 4, 2005\*  
Friday, January 27, 2006\*  
Friday, April 7, 2006\*

## Professional Development 1/2 Days

(Students are dismissed at 11:08 AM)

Tuesday, September 27, 2005  
Thursday, October 20, 2005  
Wednesday, November 16, 2005  
Monday, December 12, 2005  
Wednesday, January 18, 2006  
Friday, February 10, 2006  
Thursday, March 9, 2006  
Friday, March 31, 2006  
Wednesday, May 3, 2006  
Thursday, May 25, 2006

## Teacher Institute Day

Thursday, June 15, 2006\*

**\*Indicates days of non-attendance for students**