

## **WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED WITH BRIARLAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**School Website:** <http://www.briarlakees.dekalb.k12.ga.us/>

The website has School, Parent & Educational Resources, Administration, Teacher & Staff contact information & links to teacher websites, Student Code of Conduct, Links to School Lunch & Bus Routes, etc.

**Remind App:** Used by the school office to alert families to inclement weather, school closings/delays, school events, etc. To receive Remind messages send a text to 81010. In the message box, type @briarl. You may also join online to get message via your email at [website https://www.remind.com/join/briarl](https://www.remind.com/join/briarl)

**PTA Website:** <http://briarlakepta.org>

The website is full of information for parents, such as School Current Events & Activities, PTA Board of Directors & Committees, Calendar of Events, Volunteer Opportunities, Family Handbook, School Council information, Fundraising, etc. and links to all the information on this page and more!

**Weekly eblast:** <http://conta.cc/2aMydzw>

Sign up using link on the PTA website on the left hand side called Updates & Weekly emails. Great information comes out weekly during the school year with this electronic newsletter.

**Important School Info:** Download a copy of the Family Handbook from the PTA website or stop by the office to pick one up.

**Foundation Website:** <http://briarlakefoundation.org>

Briarlake Elementary School Foundation (BESF) is focused on developing an atmosphere of innovative teaching & challenging programs to maximize each child's potential & foster a life-long desire for learning. With the cooperation of parents, teachers, students, & the community, BESF will support this mission by providing financial assistance for faculty enrichment programs, specialty coaches, & increasing access to technology for students and faculty.

**School Council:** <http://briarlakepta.org/School-Council.htm>

Meetings held 5x's a year in the Art Room. Dates and times are posted on the PTA website and in the weekly eblast. The Council consists of the principal, four parents, and two teachers with the goal to bring communities and schools closer together in a spirit of cooperation to solve educational challenges, improve academic achievement, provide support for teachers and administrators and bring parents into the school-based decision making process.

**Facebook:** Like the PTA and Foundation Facebook pages to get updates and see great photos of events.



**Room Parent Emails:** Classroom parents send out emails with class updates and reminders for school and class events, as needed. Please make sure your classroom parent has your correct email address!

**PTA Bulletin Board:** Located by the front office and has monthly calendar of events and flyers posted for upcoming events.

**Marquee:** Located at the front of the school & lists upcoming school events.

**Weekly Student Folders:** Every Friday, information is sent home with the students in a Briarlake folder to be viewed by the parents and then returned to the classroom on Monday.

*If you have any questions or suggestions please email [briarlakeblog@gmail.com](mailto:briarlakeblog@gmail.com)*

