

# Editorial Page

## Uniforms: Yes or No?

By Lauren Mackey

If you were to go around asking students what they thought about their school uniforms, you'd get a variety of answers. Most people, though, would probably say that they didn't like uniforms that much and wished that they could dress freely at school. But I think there are some advantages of having uniforms.

First of all, you don't have to get up in the morning, already late for school, and have to look through all your clothes for 10 minutes to figure out what you're going to wear that day. Also, you don't have to feel pressured by other people about what you're wearing.

On the other hand, I think not having uniforms would be great. After all, if you're really that worried about being late to school because you don't know what to wear in the morning, you could figure out what you're wearing the night before. Also, it would give you a feeling of independence because you could wear something completely different than everyone else. But of course, I think that there should be some restrictions as to what you can wear so that you don't show up at school wearing something really wild.

Maybe, as a compromise of both having and not having uniforms, we could have the upper grades dress freely every Friday or so. But even though I'd really like to not have uniforms, and I know that I do not stand alone, it will probably never happen. Nonetheless, it is nice to dream.




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## Mystery Teacher



By Katherine Carey

Who is this little girl, now grown and working at Brookfield? Hints:

- She has a son.
- She has a dog.
- Her husband is part German.

See next month's Buzz for the answer.



Last month's Mystery Teacher was Sarah Murphy.

## Q&A

By Katie Jelich

The Brookfield Buzz recently interviewed Connie Hoover, the before- and after-school care program leader.

**Q: Are you planning on making any changes in the before- and after-school care program?**

**A:** The only thing I would change is to add more board games so the children would have more variety.

**Q: How did "Camp Brookfield," the special summer camp program, go?**

**A:** It was very successful and I was very pleased. It went better than I expected. Mrs. Renaud, the children, and I had a very good time. In fact, it went so well, I might even do it again next summer.

**Q: How do you select the after-school care staff?**

**A:** Sometimes referrals, interviews, and recommendations from former helpers who have gone onto college.

**Q: Why do you take students to Vic's on Fridays and do you support the idea?**

**A:** I support the idea and believe that it's a nice break in the week.

**Q: Did you start the before- and after-school care program – and if so, why?**

**A:** No, Mrs. Brinsky started the program, but it was only a morning program with drop-in students. Then about 20 years ago, I took over.