



*In memory of Señorita Baker*  
**Lester C. Noecker School welcomes**  
**Brian Pinkney**  
**Children's Illustrator and Author**  
**On**  
**Monday, March 30th**

Dear Noecker Families,

As our kick off to Multicultural Week, we are excited to announce that illustrator and author, Brian Pinkney, will be coming to Noecker School on Monday, March 30th to meet with students in grades PreK-6.

Brian Pinkney has illustrated numerous books for young readers including two Caldecott Honor Books, *The Faithful Friend* by Robert D. San Souci and *Duke Ellington* by Andrea Davis Pinkney. He has been awarded the Coretta Scott King Honor Award for illustrations three times, and the Coretta Scott King medal for *In the Time of the Drums* by Kim Siegelson.

In addition to being a celebrated illustrator, Brian is also an author who has written and illustrated several picture books based on his own interests and experiences. *The Adventures of Sparrowboy* was the winner of the Boston Globe/Horn Book Award and *Max Found Two Sticks* was declared one of the classic children's books of all time by *The Horn Book*. Brian also wrote and illustrated *On the Ball, Cosmo and the Robot*, and *JoJo's Flying Side Kick*.

While at the school Brian Pinkney will deliver a motivating presentation incorporating his books and his artistic process. He will use a powerpoint presentation, drawing, student participation and interactive activities to address literacy and creative expression. We know Brian will inspire Noecker's readers and writers as he shares his books and love of writing with them.

In addition to visiting with our students, Brian will dedicate and sign books that have been brought in. Due to time constraints we are not able to put together a book order through the school, but you may order his books on Amazon or find them at Barnes and Noble. Please send books in during the week of March 23rd and please include the attached form with your book(s).

Thank you! We are all very much looking forward to this special author visit!

Sincerely,

*Robyn P. Greenwald*  
Principal

*Heather Schimmel*  
Librarian/Media Specialist

## Author Visit Dedication Form

If you would like Brian Pinkney to sign one of his books for your child, please send this completed form in with the book(s) during the week of March 23rd. You can find his books on Amazon or at Barnes and Noble.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Book Title	Name for Dedication

### Recommended Titles:

Written and Illustrated by Brian Pinkney

*JoJo's Flying Side Kick*

*On the Ball*

*Max Found Two Sticks*

*Puppy Truck*

Illustrated by Brian Pinkney

*Sit-In: How Four Friends Stood Up by Sitting Down* by Andrea Davis Pinkney

*Cendrillon: A Caribbean Cinderella* by Robert D. San Souci

*In the Time of the Drums* by Kim L. Siegelson

*Sojourner Truth's Step-Stomp-Stride* by Andrea Davis Pinkney

*Martin Rising* by Andrea Davis Pinkney

*Ella Fitzgerald* by Andrea Davis Pinkney