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BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – MAY 13, 2015

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Teacher Appreciation Week – May 4-8

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 18-22		Book Fair - Library
May 18	8:30 a.m.	Kindergarten Play for PK, 1 st , Sp. Ed., & Parents
May 19	8:30 a.m.	Kindergarten Play for 2 nd , 3 rd , & Parents
May 20	8:30 a.m.	Kindergarten Play for 4 th , 5 th , and Parents
May 20	9:00 a.m.	Prospective Parents Information Session
May 21	7:00 p.m.	Kindergarten Play & PTO Meeting
May 25		Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
May 26	1:30 p.m.	Sp. Ed. Graduation
May 27		Awards' Day
May 28	8:15	PK Graduation – MP Room
May 28	8:30-2:30	5 th Grade End of Year Party – Bear Creek Park
May 28	9:15	Kindergarten Graduation Parade
May 28	9:30-10:00	Kindergarten Graduation – MP Room (Tran, Fox, Junco)
May 28	10:10-10:40	Kindergarten Graduation - MP Room (Castaneda, Taylor, Nguyen)
May 28		Last Day for Students Report Cards Go Home

HANDBOOK HIGHLIGHTS

The entire handbook is available at:
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SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of May 11 is consumer.

BOBCAT NEWS

REGISTRATION

The following items are required for registration to attend an HISD school. **ALL ORIGINAL** documents must be present at the time of registration: proof of birth date, proof of immunizations, proof of residency such as a gas bill, or electric bill (if leasing, one must be your lease and the other an electric bill,) and parent or legal guardian's ID. **Both documents must indicate the parent's/legal guardian's name and address.** For a more detailed list, please check the registration section on the Bush website.

REGISTRATION (PK-5)

May 19, 2015 – 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
May 26, 2015 – 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
June 1, 2015 – 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
August 18, 19, 20 - 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

The first day of school is Monday, August 24, 2015.

Students must show up at school on the first day, August 24, before attendance is taken, to be officially enrolled. If students enroll in the spring and are not in attendance on the first day of school, students are not enrolled. If students do arrive late, we cannot guarantee a place in the classroom.

EVERY SUMMER HAS A STORY!

HISD and Bush Elementary want to encourage our students to continue reading over the summer by participating in the district's summer reading program, Every Summer Has a Story. Again this year, HISD students will have access to an online reading program, MyOn, where each student has access to thousands of ebooks that are just right for them. Be sure you keep track of all of the books you read, online or not, on your summer reading log. Students who read at least ten books, record the titles on the back of the Every Summer Has a Story reading log, and return the completed and signed certificate to their teacher when they return to school in the fall will be named a Summer Reading Superstar. Special incentives will be awarded at Bush next fall. Ms. Rose plans to read at least 20 books on her reading level this summer. Her challenge to you is to see if you can equal or beat 20 books! Happy Reading!

HOUSTON ROCKETS READ NATION CHALLENGE 2015

Thanks to all students who took on the Rockets Read Nation Challenge! The total number of minutes that Bush students read was 214,210 minutes!! Of all the participating schools, Bush Elementary won 3rd place for the number of minutes read! Enya Ghonda read the most minutes among all 2nd grade entries. As a result of all your reading, the school has won a Barnes & Noble gift card to purchase new books for the library! Congratulations to all the Bush students who submitted their minutes of reading. Continue to read every day. Remember, students today...leaders tomorrow!

CALLING ALL BOOKS!!!

All library books and materials will be due back to the library by Friday, May 15th. Please make sure you have returned all of your library books and/or paid any fines for lost or damaged books by that day.

THE BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

Our Summer Book Fair will be in the Bush Library from 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., May 18th-May 21st, and 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 22nd. Stop by to support your library and get some great books for summer reading! For more information and online shopping, visit the Book Fair website at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/bushes>

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION

Following the general PTO Meeting on May 21st at 7:00 p.m. is the kindergarten play titled, "Gettin' Down Again with Mama Goose!" **As seating is limited, please do not bring Bush students or younger siblings to the performance.** All Bush students will have already seen the play. The chairs need to be reserved for parents, grandparents, and other relatives. There will also not be room for strollers, as this is a crowded event.

PRE-K GRADUATION

Mrs. Malmer and Mrs. Johnson's Pre-K classes will have their graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 28 at 8:15 a.m. in the multi-purpose room. All family and friends are invited to this event. **ALL parents and visitors must show a state-issued ID, such as a driver's license or passport when entering the building.**

K GRADUATION

Thursday, May 28 is graduation day for kindergarten. The kindergarten graduation parade will take place at 9:15 a.m. Ms. Tran, Ms. Fox, and Mrs. Junco's classes will have their graduation ceremony in the multi-purpose room from 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Ms. Castaneda, Ms. Taylor, and Ms. Nguyen's classes will have their graduation ceremony in the multi-purpose room at 10:10 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. **All family and friends are invited to this event. ALL parents and visitors must show a state-issued ID, such as a driver's license or passport when entering the building.**

PROSPECTIVE PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

Do you have a child coming to Bush next year? Then come and join a prospective parent information session that will answer all your questions about Bush Elementary programs and curriculum. We will tour the school and discuss all of the wonderful things Bush has to offer. If you know a neighbor or friend who would like to attend one of these information sessions, please pass the invitation on to them. The last session for this school year will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 20.

AWARDS' DAY

Mark your calendars! Awards' Day will be in the multi-purpose room on Wednesday, May 27 as follows:

8:05 a.m.	2 nd Grade
9:00 a.m.	1 st Grade
10:00 a.m.	3 rd Grade
11:00 a.m.	4 th Grade
1:20 p.m.	5 th Grade

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

The Bush Student Council is planning our newest fundraiser called Pajama Day! Student Council would like to invite all students to wear their pajamas on May 22nd for \$5.00. Students **MUST** pay \$5 to be on their homeroom teacher's list of PJ-wearing Bobcats. \$5.00 will be accepted beginning May 14th, and students who bring their money on Friday, May 22 will still be allowed to participate. All pajamas must be school-appropriate and not include face masks, slippers, flip-flops, tanks tops, or robes. We look forward to seeing all of the great pajamas our Bush students own! All proceeds will benefit the 2015-2016 Student Council fund for future projects.

PTO NEWS

YEARBOOKS

Hot off the press: The yearbooks have arrived and will be sent home with the students this Friday. If you pre-ordered a book in the spring and do not receive yours on Friday, please contact your homeroom teacher. Only those that ordered and prepaid, will receive a yearbook. There are no extra yearbooks to be sold at this time. If you missed the ordering deadline, you may contact Stephanie Brewster at sbrewster25@gmail.com to be put on a wait list. A *few* extra books were ordered in case of mishaps but we will not know how many are truly available until all books have been distributed and received. If you are on a wait list, we will notify you the last week of school if a yearbook becomes available for purchase.

SCHOOL STORE

Order your child's supplies now for next school year! No waiting in lines; no carrying heavy packages. The PTO school store will deliver them to your child's classroom before the first day of school. Extra school supply forms are available in the school office. You can also purchase your school supplies online - www.bbepeto.com. Credit Cards are accepted.

BUSH SPIRIT DAYS

May 12: Chick-Fil-A - 5:00pm - 8:00pm (2nd Tuesday of every month)
May 20: Marcos Pizza (3rd Wednesday of every month)

SCHOOL STORE SALE

2 T-SHIRTS FOR \$15.00 - Limited Sizes, Colors, and Designs

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SCHOOL NEWS NETWORK

(articles submitted by other area schools)

WEST BRIAR MIDDLE SCHOOL

The West Briar Middle School Theater Department invites you to the upcoming production of "Annie, The Musical" starring former Bush student, Grace Harrison, as Annie. The performances are on Saturday May 16th at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 17th at 2:00 p.m. in the West Briar Auditorium. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$8.00.

Enjoy an afternoon or evening at the theater and support West Briar Middle School Theater Department.

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