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BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS - April 11, 2018

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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April 13 th		Field Day & Family Picnic
April 13 th	Pre-K – 2 nd & Sp. Ed 10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Family Picnic
April 13 th	3 rd – 5 th Grade 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Family Picnic
April 17 th		Briar Village Intent to Re- Enroll Due
April 18 th		PK -4 Intent to Re-Enroll Due
April 20 th	8:00 a.m 9:00 a.m.	2 nd Grade Knowledge Fest- MP Room
April 23 rd – 27 th	7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	PK Lottery Application Drop Off – Front Office
April 23 rd	No Visitors – No Lunch Visitors	3 rd & 4 th Grade STAAR Math Practice Test
April 24 th	No Visitors – No Lunch Visitors	3 rd & 4 th Grade STAAR Reading Practice Test
April 25 th	8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	4 th & 5 th Grade Spring Orchestra & Chorus Concert -MP Room
April 26 th	8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	4 th & 5 th Grade Spring Orchestra & Chorus Concert -MP Room
April 26 th	9:00 a.m. – 1:30 a.m.	2 nd Grade Field Trip – Houston Museum of Natural Science
April 27 th	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	1 st Grade Knowledge Fest- MP Room

SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of April 9th is <u>adaptation.</u>

K SIBLING ENROLLMENT

Do you have a child currently attending Bush Elementary? Do you have another child that will be 5 on or before September 1st and would you like to guarantee that the prospective kindergarten child will be at Bush Elementary for the 2018-2019 school year? If you answered yes to **BOTH** questions, then come to the office on Monday, April 16th from 7:55 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to register your kindergarten child for next school year. You will need to return your currently enrolled child's 2018 -2019 enrollment form with residency proofs along with your kindergarten child's original birth certificate and current immunizations. You will also need to complete a kindergarten enrollment packet. You may request the kindergarten enrollment packet to be sent home earlier. If you use this process to enroll your kindergarten child for the 2018-2019 school year, then you will not need to come to one of our future registration dates.

HANDBOOK HIGHLIGHTS

The entire handbook is available at: www.houstonisd.org/subscribe

FAMILY PICNIC ENTRANCES

Please make sure you have your photo identification to use the Fast Pass. PK & K parents will enter at the small gate by the Kindergarten playground at the carpool lane. Grades 1-5 will enter at the field gate in the bus lane. If you did not register for Fast Pass, then check in at the front office.

INTENT TO RE-ENROLL

Today, all PK — fourth grade students are receiving the Intent to Re-Enroll for the 2018-2019 school year form. Please complete the form and return along with your original current proofs of residency in the Bush zone by next <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 18</u>. Don't lose your spot at Bush Elementary for the 2018-2019 by not turning in this form along with your current proofs of residency within the Bush zone by the deadline!

APRIL STAAR TESTING DATES

3rd & 4th Grade STAAR Math Practice Test April 23rd 3rd & 4th Grade STAAR Reading Practice Test April 24th

HISD requires each campus to have procedures in place to ensure the least amount of disruptions on testing days. Therefore, parents will **NOT** be able to volunteer in the lunchroom, classroom, or workroom on the testing days listed above. Parents and visitors will be able to access the office, but all other areas need to remain secure due to testing purposes. Bush Elementary is fortunate to have so many incredible parents and volunteers, but on testing dates we must limit the number of people on campus. Thank you for understanding!

LOST, BUT NEVER FOUND!

We have over 150 jackets in the lost and found! If your child has lost a jacket or sweater at school, please stop by and see if it is in the lost and found. The jackets will be put out on tables at the end of the hallway for the next few weeks. During field day and the family picnic on April 13th, they will be outside for parents to claim their child's lost items. After Field Day, the remaining unclaimed jackets will be donated to charity. Please remember to clearly label all jackets and sweaters with your child's first and last name.

PTO FUNDRAISER

Typhoon Texas Waterpark Offer

Barbara Bush Elementary families can enjoy special discounted tickets to the Typhoon Texas Waterpark in Katy and raise funds for the school!

BBE will receive \$5 for every general admission and every season pass purchased by using this link:

http://typhoontexas.pfestore.com/retail/bushelem

Bush Spirit Events! Place: Roller Rink 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. (1820 S. Dairy Ashford)

Date: Friday, April 13th

Place: Marco's Pizza (1315 S. Dairy Ashford)

Date: Wednesday, April 18th

Place: Menchie's Frozen Yogurt (13421 Westheimer Rd.)

Date: Friday, April 13th - Monday, April 16th

Kroger Community Rewards program: Re-enrollment month Just follow these steps:

- Link your Kroger card at www.KrogerCommunityRewards.com
- Enter 83286 under organization's number or 2.
- Search for BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY PTO

PTO NEWS!! PTO WANTS YOU!

ABOUT THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominating Committee application deadline - April 15, 2018

Applications to be a part of the Nominating Committee (NC) are due by April The NC is comprised of members of the PTO general membership as well as current PTO board members. The purpose of the NC is to prepare a slate of nominees for next year's PTO Executive Board. Members of the NC are not barred from being nominees themselves, but must recuse themselves from discussion and voting for any positions for which they are nominees.

If you would like to be considered to be a member of the NC, please complete the online application at www.bbepto.com

ABOUT THE PTO BOARD

Board Nominations - Deadline for Applications - April 22, 2018

Did you enjoy Bush Bingo Bash and Movie Night?

Would you like to be a part of planning events like that in the coming school year? Then the PTO Board may be the place for you! Nominations are now being accepted for all board positions online at www.bbepto.com. To indicate your interest, just complete the online form by April 22, 2018.

The Nominating Committee will contact you about your application.

BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB Last Day to Sign Up April 15

Join the Birthday Book Club to honor your child's birthday!

- Your child will be given a personal "Happy Birthday" greeting during the morning announcements.
- The donation will be recognized on a nameplate in a new book in the library.
- A group photo with all the other BBC members with the same birth month will be displayed in the library display case.
- You may also choose to have your child's name displayed on the electronic marquee sign for an additional \$10.

Proceeds support the library and other programs that enhance the educational experience of Bush students.

BUSH BOBCATS – JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE - 2017-18

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