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#### BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS - December 13, 2017

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

December 21 <sup>st</sup>	PK – 5	Holiday Parties
December 22 <sup>nd</sup> – January 7 <sup>th</sup>		Winter Break
January 8 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m.	Return to School
January 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 a.m.	Bush Spelling Bee
January 15 <sup>th</sup>		MLK Day – No School

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# HANDBOOK HIGHLIGHTS COMMUNICATIONS' DAY

Wednesday is Communications' Day at BBES. We will make every effort to send all notices, calendars, newsletters, etc. home on Wednesday. **Please** purge your child's backpack each Wednesday; there will probably be a least one important note! Bush students use a red pocket folder to carry communications. Be sure to look for it and use it when sending notes to the teacher. The newsletter, *Pawprints*, is published weekly. It contains important dates and information regarding events and issues at Bush Elementary.

The entire handbook is available at: <a href="https://www.houstonisd.org/subscribe">www.houstonisd.org/subscribe</a>

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# <u>PTO OPENING</u> <u>POSITION</u>

The PTO is in need of a treasurer.
Anyone interested, please email rebeccalouiseminnock@gmail.com

#### SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of December  $11^{\rm th}$  is  ${\bf refract}$  .

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### Winter Holiday Program

Bush Elementary's chorus and orchestra will perform their holiday program on Tuesday, December 19 at 8:00 a.m. and on Wednesday, December 20 at 8:00 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. All Bush students will see the performance on those dates. Parents are also welcome. Please make sure all adults have a valid government photo identification to enter the building.

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#### SPELLING BEE

The annual Bush Spelling Bee will be held on Friday, January 12 at 8:00 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. Over forty 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be participating in this exciting event.

## ORBIT READING RALLY

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Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> Orbit the Astros' mascot, will be at Bush Elementary to lead the students in a Reading Rally. All Bush faculty, staff, and students should wear their Astros shirts or Astros orange to school on Friday.

### BBE LOST AND FOUND

We have sent home all Lost & Found items with a legible student's name in them. There are still a number of items waiting to be picked up, so if your student is missing a sweater, hoodie, coat, etc., please take a moment to stop by the Lost & Found (located outside the doors at the north side of the building, just past the cafeteria). The racks will be cleared on Thursday, December 21st and all remaining items will be donated.

# **ARE YOU APPROVED?**

The holiday parties are just around the corner.

Please make sure you have completed the
background check before December 21st. ALL
adults also have to be listed on the student's
enrollment card, accompanied by the parent,
or have the parents approval in the form of a
note. Remember ALL adults, including
grandparents, must show their driver's license
or passport before entering the building — no
one will be allowed to enter the building
without a driver's license or passport.

# **NO PARKING**

Please do not park in the faculty and staff parking lot at any time; it is reserved for Bush Elementary faculty and

## **TARDIES**

School begins at 7:30 a.m. each day. We have a full schedule and it is important that children are at school on time in order to take full advantage of their day. Students who arrive tardy, after 7:40 a.m., must have a written excuse. Excused tardies are in the same category as excused absences (see Attendance). Oversleeping, alarm clock trouble, no ride, etc., are considered unexcused tardies. Plans and backup plans should be made to ensure that students arrive on time each day. Remember, students who are tardy must be signed in at the office by a parent and have a note stating the reason for the tardy. Students will be allowed two unexcused tardies each nine weeks. Repeated late arrival may result in loss of privileges.

NOTE: HISD Code of Student Conduct states: Unexcused tardiness to class is a Level 1 Act of Misconduct.

# PTO NEWS! Bush Spirit Events

<u>Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup></u> - **BB's Café** (Energy Corridor) **Location**: 1275 Eldridge Pkwy Houston, TX 77077

Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> Smallcakes Location: 1531 Eldridge Pkwy, 77077

<u>Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> - Russo's NY Pizzeria</u> **Location**: 13346 Briar Forest Dr. Suite 100 Houston,

TX 77077

Wednesday, December 20th - Marco's Pizza

Location: 1315 S. Diary Ashford Houston, TX 77077

# PTO REMINDER SAVE THE DATE!

March 2<sup>nd</sup>
Movie Star, Movie Night!

#### **BUSH BOBCATS – JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE - 2017-18**

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