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BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – MAY 20, 2015

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 Teacher Appreciation Week – May 4-8

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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 Concept for the week of May 18 is characteristics/traits.

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 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.

BOBCAT NEWS

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION

Following the general PTO Meeting tomorrow 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 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.

ARE YOU ENROLLED AT BUSH?

If you have turned in all your re-enrollment documents, and they have not been sent back to you for more information, then you are enrolled.

If more documentation has been requested and not returned, or we have discovered that you no longer reside in the Bush Zone, you are **not** enrolled.

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.

THE BOOK FAIR IS HERE!

Our Summer Book Fair is in the Bush Library from 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., tomorrow, 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>.

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

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.**

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, including on-line, 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!

LAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

On Thursday, May 28, our students will be having class parties. We cannot accommodate extra students in the building on that day. Parents, who are here for the parties, may bring other non-school age siblings with them. **Children without a parent on campus at Bush will not be admitted.** Bush students must stay with their own classes for the parties. Please do not take a student out of his/her class to visit a sibling's party. **ALL parents and visitors must show a state-issued ID, such as a driver's license or passport when entering the building.**

PTO BOARD 2015-2016

The PTO Nominating Committee has selected a slate of officers to be presented for election at the general PTO meeting on May 21st at 7:00 p.m. We are thrilled that this talented group has agreed to serve our school and our children in this capacity.

- President - Jessica McKay
- Vice President - Florencia Muradas
- Treasurer - Kara Bemis
- Secretary - Emily Smith
- Safety - Estela Bentolila
- Business Partnerships - Beatriz Barcenas
- Business Partnerships - Simona Nijhawan
- VIPS Coordinator - Bronwyn Sutherland
- VIPS Coordinator - Cynthia Cuevas
- Hospitality, Teachers - Jenny Kim
- Hospitality, Teachers - Kristi Giles
- Hospitality, Families - Sonya Mehta
- Hospitality, Families - Angela Paulmony
- Fundraising - Katy Bate
- Fundraising - Jennifer Jeray
- School Store - Mayra Atakan
- School Store - Patricia Robertson
- School Store - Alegna Pillot
- Directory - Stephanie Brewster
- Directory - Julia Bueno
- Directory - Maria Graf (additional PTO Board position)
- Publicity/Historian - Aman Venkat
- Nature Center/Grounds - Claire Serrano

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. 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

A very special thank you goes to Tiffany Rivers for designing the front and back cover of the yearbook. Tiffany, a Bush mom to Andrew (5th) and Lane (Kinder), did a fantastic job! Thank you, Tiffany, for your talented work and for all your help with the yearbook throughout the past 4 years!

The 2015 yearbook was distributed last Friday. If you have any questions regarding your yearbook, please contact Stephanie Brewster at sbrewster25@gmail.com.

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.bbeppto.com. Credit Cards are accepted.

SCHOOL STORE SALE

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

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