

PAWPRINTS

BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – October 11, 2017

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 11-October 31		Book Fair Online Shopping
October 16-19	7:45a.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Book Fair – MP Room
October 16	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.	Book Fair- MP Room
October 16	5:30- 7:30 p.m.	Italian Dinner/ Book Fair Kick Off - Cafeteria
October 20	7:45a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Book Fair Open
October 23		UIL Spelling Tryouts
October 24		UIL Listening Tryouts
October 25		UIL Oral Reading Tryouts
November 4	3:00-6:00 p.m.	Bush Bingo Bash
November 7	6:00-7:30 p.m.	4 th Grade Writing Night
November 20-24		Thanksgiving Holiday- NO SCHOOL

HANDBOOK HIGHLIGHTS

CROSSING GUARDS

Bush Elementary is very fortunate to have numerous crossing guards assigned to the streets close to our school. Cross the streets only where the crossing guards are stationed. Drivers must be extremely careful when driving around Bush and follow the directions from the crossing guards. Crossing guards have a very important and difficult job. Practice and teach your child safe habits by using the crossing guards to cross streets.

The entire handbook is available at:
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Thank You PTO

Thank You for organizing & hosting The Houston Grand Opera production of Hansel & Gretel on Monday for 2nd - 5th grade.

SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of October 9th is variables.

Underwriting Campaign

Thank You to all the Bush Families that donated to the Underwriting Campaign!

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!

This Monday, October 16th is our annual Book Fair and Family Italian Dinner!

Time is running out to purchase your tickets!

Tickets are available online at www.bbepeto.com only until this **Thursday, October 12th!**

On **Friday, October 13**, tickets will be sold at the school store from **11:30a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** and outside during dismissal from **2:30 p.m. -3:00 p.m.**

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR!

Dinner will be catered by Russo's New York Pizzeria
Meal Options are as follows:

Adult Meal (\$8) -Chicken Alfredo Penne **or**
Baked Ziti with Spinach (vegetarian option)

Kid's Meal (\$5) – Bowtie Pasta with Alfredo or Marinara sauce

All adult & kid's meals served with bread, drinks and dessert

Dine in or Take Out Available

UIL Competition

If you are interested in competing against students from other schools in the areas of spelling, oral reading, listening, or creative writing in upcoming UIL competitions in the spring semester, then come take our qualifying tests!

Spelling: Interested **2nd – 5th grade students** will take a written qualifying test on **Monday, October 23, 2017** during the school day.

Listening: Interested **5th grade students** will take a listening qualifying test on **Tuesday, October 24, 2017** during the school day. Students will listen to a script read aloud to them and then answer written questions based on the script they just heard.

Oral Reading: This competition is for students who enjoy reading aloud for an audience and aspire to capture a person's emotions using their voice, body language, intonation, etc. Auditions for oral reading will be held on **Wednesday, October 25, 2017** during the school day. **2nd – 5th grade students** interested in auditioning must be prepared with 2 copies of a self-selected poem (no longer than 2 minutes): 1 copy for the student to read aloud from and 1 copy for the judges.

Creative Writing: Creative writing samples will be collected in the classroom during Language Arts classes in the coming weeks.

Notification will be sent only to students who qualify based on test and audition results.

VACATIONS

Please remember to plan your family vacations and trips during regular school holidays like Thanksgiving, winter break, and spring break. Family vacations cannot be considered excused absences by the State of Texas. As a result, they are recorded as unexcused absences. All students must have a 98% attendance rate. Every day at school is important. All students **must** attend school up to and including the last day on June 1, 2018

CALLING FUTURE CUB SCOUTS!

Scout troop 1038 is hosting a rally in the Bush cafeteria 6:00 p.m. -7:00 pm Thursday, October 26th. Come and find out all the fun activities scouting has to offer! Thank you so much for your help! Pack 1038 looks forward to building the butterfly garden for Bush this year.

GOOD NEIGHBORS

When dropping off or picking up your child, or just visiting Bush, please be considerate of the homes neighboring Bush. Be a good neighbor and remember the following parking rules:

- **Don't park in front of fire hydrants.**
- **Park at least 20 feet from an intersection.**
- **Do not block driveways.**

BUSH BOBCATS – JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE - 2017-18

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PTO NEWS!

Please review your child's information on the Student Directory Class List that was sent. Email any information that needs to be corrected by **October 11th** to the Directory Committee at bushdirectory@gmail.com.

REMINDER!

Don't forget to submit your artwork for the Bush Family Directory competition to Dr. Buza **tomorrow**. Please contact Ana Sierra at asierram74@gmail.com if you have any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

*2017 Bush Bingo Bash November 4th
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.*

BUSH SPIRIT EVENTS

Yogurt Yo

Monday, October 9th – Sunday, October 15th (20% sales go to Bush)

**Location: 1809 Eldridge Parkway South, Suite 104,
Houston, TX 77077**

Phone: 281- 531-1117

Marcos Pizza

Wednesday, October 18th. Join for spirit night and get 20% cash back for school.

Location: 1315 S. Dairy Ashford, Houston, TX 77077

Phone: 281-496-4441

COMMUNITY NEWS!

EVERYONE LOVES A PARADE

Friday, October 27th is Westside H.S. Homecoming Parade. The parade will be from 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. All Bush students will be watching the parade as it passes by Bush Elementary School. Please do not plan on picking up your child between 1:30 p.m. and 2:50 p.m. on this day.