

# PAWPRINTS

## BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – April 18, 2018

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 18 <sup>th</sup>		PK -4 Intent to Re-Enroll Due
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Career Bus
April 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Knowledge Fest- MP Room
April 23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	PK Lottery Application Drop Off – Front Office
April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	No Visitors – No Lunch Visitors	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade STAAR Math Practice Test
April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at West Briar	Open House for Incoming 6 <sup>th</sup> Graders at West Briar
April 24 <sup>th</sup>	No Visitors – No Lunch Visitors	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade STAAR Reading Practice Test
April 25 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Orchestra & Chorus Concert -MP Room
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Orchestra & Chorus Concert -MP Room
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m. – 1:30 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip – Houston Museum of Natural Science
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Knowledge Fest- MP Room

## In Loving Memory of Barbara Pierce Bush

*“Barbara Bush is our school’s name.  
From a grand first lady it came.  
Our school puts us to the test,  
Helping us to do our best.  
To our school we’ll always be true.  
Barbara Bush, we’re proud of you!”*

Every Friday, our students begin their day by singing this school song. She was so proud of our school and we are so proud of being named after such an incredible woman. She has had such an amazing impact on the students, faculty, and staff, as well as the Bush community over the last 26 years. Each year, when Mrs. Bush visited the school and read to the students, she also took the time to answer students’ questions about her life, travels, family, and especially her dogs, starting with Millie. Mrs. Bush will always have a special place in our hearts. We will miss her dearly.

If you would like to pay your respects to Mrs. Bush, in lieu of flowers, you may make a donation to Barbara Bush Elementary to purchase new books to fill our library or to the Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation. There could be no better tribute to Mrs. Bush than more books in her honor.

## EARLY REGISTRATION DATES

### 2018 – 2019 Registration Dates FOR NEW STUDENTS ONLY

*All dates are subject to change.*

#### May 8 Kindergarten Round Up Registration – K ONLY

*(If registering a new kindergartner, then you may also register any siblings in grades 1 – 5 at the same time.)*

7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Window for number order assignment
7:50 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Registration in order of assigned numbers
12:00 noon – 12:30 p.m.	Registration closed for lunch
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Registration continues in order of assigned numbers

#### May 22 Grades 1 - 5 ONLY Registration – No K registration

7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Window for number order assignment
7:50 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Registration in order of assigned numbers
12:00 noon – 12:30 p.m.	Registration is closed for lunch
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Registration continues in order of assigned numbers

#### May 22 Grades 1 - 5 ONLY Registration – No K registration

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## APRIL STAAR TESTING DATES

April 23<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade STAAR Math Practice Test  
April 24<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade STAAR Reading Practice Test

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!

## WILL YOU BE BACK AT BUSH?

Today was the deadline to turn in the Intent to Re-Enroll forms for the 2018 -2019 school year. If you reside in the Bush zone, then you must turn in this form **tomorrow** so your child will be able to attend Bush Elementary during the 2018 -2019 school year. Please contact the office if you need another copy of this form.

## WESTBRIAR OPEN HOUSE

West Briar Middle School will be hosting an Open House for all incoming 6th graders on Monday, April 23rd from 6 p.m. to 7:30p.m. Students and parents will get a chance to meet Principal Lopez, choose their course selections and be introduced to the various extra-curricular activities offered at West Briar Middle School. There will also be performances in various locations on campus including Theatre, Orchestra, Band, Choir, Drill & Cheer! Please contact Fami Smojver (WBMS PTO President) @ [fraza\\_5@yahoo.com](mailto:fraza_5@yahoo.com) with any questions or feel free to call the school directly at (281) 368-2140.

## SCHOOL STORE - LAST SALE OF THE YEAR!

BBE School Store will be running an apparel sale until the end of the school year. Limited quantities are available. Also, if you are interested in purchasing school supplies for next year, you may place your orders online at [bbepto.com](http://bbepto.com).

## 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 15, 2018. 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](http://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](http://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.

## UIL

This past Saturday, April 14, our Oral Reading team participated in the Spring District UIL Speaking Competition at Carnegie Vanguard High School. Our Bush Bobcats did an incredible job! A huge THANK YOU to Ms. Kasaundra Hall for being our school representative!

Oral Reading 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grades: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Manuela Farah Cunha  
1<sup>st</sup> Place – Pravar Bhat  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Daniel Blattner  
Oral Reading 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Priya Sekhri  
Oral Reading 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Avaneesh Parasnis  
1<sup>st</sup> Place – Rahul Sanklecha  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Madison Nguyen

We are so proud of ALL of our Bush UIL participants! Our **Oral Reading** team members who attended the competition are: Pravar Bhat, Daniel Blattner, Manuela Farah Cunha, Madelaine Coronado, Mary Munk, Priya Sekhri, Madison Nguyen, Avaneesh Parasnis, and Rahul Sanklecha.

**Congratulations to all these students who represented Bush! Job well done!!**

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

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