

# PAWPRINTS

## BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – February 7, 2018

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 8 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. & 3:00 p.m. -3:30 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Writing Review Lab – Library
February 9 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Kindergarten Field Trip – Children’s Museum
February 13 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip – Museum of Fine Arts
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Knowledge Fest
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip – Main Street Theater
February 23 <sup>rd</sup>		GO TEXAN DAY!
February 26 <sup>th</sup>		100 <sup>th</sup> Day of School
March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Movie Night

### SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of February 5<sup>th</sup> is water cycle.

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### GO TEXAN DAY

Students are encouraged to wear their “Go Texan” clothes to school on Friday, February 23. Please make sure they leave their horses, guns, and lassos at home! Come out and see your cowboy or cowgirl at their ancillary time for a Texas Hoedown!

### GIRL SCOUT ROUNDUP!

Join the Girl Scout Rally on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. For more information, contact Kemi Sule at 713-292-0357 or [Ksule@sigs.org](mailto:Ksule@sigs.org).

### HANDBOOK HIGHLIGHTS

#### RESIDENCY

Students must reside in the Bush attendance zone in order to attend school at Bush. Because Bush is a large school and must accommodate its own zoned students, no regular education transfers are granted. Special Education transfers are granted when the ARD committee recommends a program that is not offered at the child’s home school.

If a student moves out of the Bush zone during the school year, the student must enroll in his/her “new” zoned school. Students may not remain at Bush after moving out of the zone.

The entire handbook is available at:  
[www.houstonisd.org/subscribe](http://www.houstonisd.org/subscribe)

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#### FOURTH GRADE WRITING

Fourth grade parents have an important event **tomorrow** from 7:00-7:30 a.m. and from 3:00 -3:30 p.m. in the Bush Elementary Library. The fourth-grade teachers will be explaining the expository writing process used in class so parents will have a better understanding of the process and be able to assist their child at home. Two sessions are being offered to accommodate parents’ schedules, so please choose to attend **one**. **These sessions are designed only for the fourth-grade parents.**

### 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 park in the designated “No Parking Zones”**
- **Do not block driveways.**

We’ve received several complaints from our neighbors about the above concerns. Let’s be good neighbors!

### Bush Spirit Event!

**Place:** 14520 Memorial Drive #50  
Idea Lab “Parents Night Out”  
**Date:** February 14<sup>th</sup>

### DISTRICT SPELLING BEE RESULTS

Congratulations to our school’s spelling bee champion, Pratyush Prakash, for placing 5<sup>th</sup> in the district spelling bee. Way to go, Pratyush!

# UIL

On Saturday, February 3, more than 30 of our Bush students participated in our first UIL competition of the school year at Pershing Middle School. Hundreds of students from schools all over HISD participated in the UIL competition. Our students did so well that we came in **3<sup>rd</sup> place** as a school team. Considering we had contestants in only 6 of the 11 categories of competition, 3<sup>rd</sup> place is **INCREDIBLE!**

Our students placed in the following categories:

**Creative Writing:** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Joaquin Mendoza-Monty  
4<sup>th</sup> place – Naomi McKay

**Oral Reading 3:** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Daniel Blattner  
1<sup>st</sup> place – Akhil Velagaleti  
2<sup>nd</sup> place – Chloe Adams

**Oral Reading 4:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Priya Sekhri  
2<sup>nd</sup> place – Mary Munk

**Oral Reading 5:** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Avaneesh Parasnis  
1<sup>st</sup> place – Madison Nguyen  
1<sup>st</sup> place – Rahul Sanklecha

**Number Sense 3:** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Ronak Hiwale  
2<sup>nd</sup> place – Hrishik Yendluri  
4<sup>th</sup> place – Aidan Xu

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Team Winner: Bush**

**Number Sense 4:** 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Allan Xu  
4<sup>th</sup> place – Travis Feng  
7<sup>th</sup> place – Tisha Patel

**Number Sense 5:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Pratyush Prakash  
6<sup>th</sup> place – Daniel Chen  
6<sup>th</sup> place – Yosuke Tamura

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Team Winner: Bush**

**Mathematics 6:** 8<sup>th</sup> place – Avaneesh Parasnis

**Spelling 2:** 4<sup>th</sup> place – Pravar Bhat

**Spelling 3:** 6<sup>th</sup> place – Ronak Hiwale  
7<sup>th</sup> place – Nimesh Ramanujakootam

**Spelling 4:** 8<sup>th</sup> place – Priya Sekhri  
8<sup>th</sup> place – Tisha Patel

**Spelling 5:** 4<sup>th</sup> place – Pratyush Prakash  
5<sup>th</sup> place – Abhiram Jyosyula  
6<sup>th</sup> place – Jessica Wang

**Chess Puzzle 2:** 6<sup>th</sup> place – Ryan Zhu  
8<sup>th</sup> place – Vamsi Yadagiri

**Chess Puzzle 3:** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Nimesh Ramanujakootam  
3<sup>rd</sup> place – Ronak Hiwale

**Chess Puzzle 4:** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Neel Chandalia  
1<sup>st</sup> place – Travis Feng

**Chess Puzzle 5:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Ashkan Pourjavadi  
3<sup>rd</sup> place – Alejandro Rodriguez Medina  
3<sup>rd</sup> place – Avaneesh Parasnis

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Team Winner: Bush**

We are so proud of ALL of our Bush UIL participants! Our **Creative Writing** team members are: Naomi McKay, Joaquin Mendoza-Monty, and Holt Nguyen-Lee.

Our **Oral Reading 3, 4, 5** team members are: Chloe Adams, Daniel Blattner, Akhil Velagaleti, Madelaine Coronado, Mary Munk, Priya Sekhri, Madison Nguyen, Avaneesh Parasnis, and Rahul Sanklecha.

Our **Number Sense** team members are: Ronak Hiwale, Aidan Xu, Hrishik Yendluri, Travis Feng, Tisha Patel, Allan Xu, Daniel Chen, Pratyush Prakash, and Yosuke Tamura.

Our **Mathematics 6** team members are: Austin Beaudreau, Avaneesh Parasnis, and Rahul Sanklecha.

Our **Spelling** team members are: a Pravar Bhat, Holt Nguyen- Lee, Ronak Hiwale, Archit Mirasdar, Nimesh Ramanujakootam, Travis Feng, Tisha Patel, Priya Sekhri, Abhiram Jyosyula, Pratyush Prakash, and Jessica Wang.

Our **Chess Puzzle** team members are: Aaron Qin, Vamsi Yadagiri, Ryan Zhu, Ronak Hiwale, Archit Mirasdar, Nimesh Ramanujakootam, Neel Chandalia, Travis Feng, Riggs McKay, Avaneesh Parasnis, Ashkan Pourjavadi, and Alejandro Rodriguez Medina.

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

# PTO NEWS!

All Barbara Bush Elementary Families are invited to our **MOVIE STAR, MOVIE NIGHT!** It will be held outdoors on our Field & Track area on **Friday, March 2, 2018 5pm-9pm.**

There'll be a costume parade, pre-movie entertainment, dinner and movie!

You must purchase one **ADMISSION wristband** per person ages 3 years and older at **\$5.00.** Exciting news - if you purchase your wristbands online by February 28th, you will be entered into a drawing to win four day passes to TYPHOON TEXAS!!!

**\$1 tickets** can also be purchased online and used to buy food, drinks, and other entertainment. **FOOD (1-5 TICKETS):** Enjoy tasty hotdogs, pizza, popcorn and movie snacks! **ENTERTAINMENT (2-3 TICKETS):** Photo booth, glow sticks, Idea Lab slime & crafts! Take advantage of our presale discounted tickets for **\$10.00 (11 tickets)** and **\$20.00 (23 tickets)** which are available online until February 28<sup>th</sup>.

We are selling Movie Night **Glow in the Dark** T-shirts today!

T-shirts are \$10 each for Youth and Adult sizes XS-XL and \$12 for Adult Sizes 2XL & 3XL.

Order ONLINE by the extended DEADLINE of **February 7<sup>th</sup> at midnight.**

**HOOPS SCHOOL will be running a BASKETBALL SKILLS CLINIC** during the movie night event before the movie starts between 5pm-6pm on the outdoor basketball area.

The clinic costs **\$10\*** per child for the hour (\*child must also have purchased an admission wristband). Children from all grades pre-K – 5<sup>th</sup> are welcome. There are LIMITED places – so please book quickly to avoid disappointment!

**Parents,** please note:

- You can purchase wristbands, tickets, T-shirts, HOOPS SCHOOL Basket Skills Clinic tickets online at [www.bbeppto.com](http://www.bbeppto.com) > Programs & Events > 2018 > BBE MOVIE NIGHT
- Wristbands, tickets, T-shirts be distributed at WILL CALL at the event. Pre-ordered T-shirts will be distributed to your child before the event.
- You can bring your camping chairs, blankets - make sure you arrive early to pick your spot for watching the movie!
- Please no outside coolers and no outside food and drink. This is a fundraiser after all!
- All children 17 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.
- No dogs allowed.

**QUESTIONS?** Email: [donatetobush@gmail.com](mailto:donatetobush@gmail.com)

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