

# PAWPRINTS

## BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – APRIL 10, 2019

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 12		<b>Athletic and Academic Field Day</b>
April 12	10:30 a.m.	<b>Family Picnic Fast Pass line opens (see article for grade-specific entrance locations)</b>
April 12	10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	<b>PK-2<sup>nd</sup> Picnic Lunch 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Picnic Lunch</b>
April 19		<b>No School</b>
April 25	7:45 a.m.	<b>General PTO Meeting</b>

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### ARE YOU COMING BACK TO BUSH NEXT SCHOOL YEAR?

In today’s red communication folder, every PK – 4<sup>th</sup> grade student received the very important “Intent to Re-enroll” letter.

If you plan to return to Bush Elementary for the 2019-2020 school year, then you must complete the form and return it with the required documents by **Thursday, April 18**. If you have more than one currently-enrolled child attending Bush next year, please complete one form per child, but return the required documents with the oldest child. Write on the youngest child’s re-enrollment form – “Documents sent with \_\_\_\_\_” (name of oldest child returning).

If you do not plan to re-enroll at Bush for the 2019-2020 school year, we still need you to complete, sign, and return the form and check “Will not return to Bush.”

If we do not receive your “Intent to Re-enroll” form and required documents by **Thursday, April 18, then your child will not be registered or assigned a class at Bush Elementary for the 2019-2020 school year.**

Please check your child’s communication folder for the “Intent to Re-enroll” letter!

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### SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of April 10 is **adaptation**.

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### FAMILY PICNIC

The Family Picnic on Field Day is a fun time for parents to come have lunch with their children. Please know that all the surrounding restaurants (Chick-fil-A, McDonald’s, etc.) will be extremely busy at that time, parking will be tight, and it will still take some time to check in (even using Fast Pass), so please plan accordingly so that you can be at the Family Picnic on time for your child.

On April 12, the Fast Pass line opens at 10:30 a.m. at the designated gates (see below). **You must have your driver’s license/passport (original or photocopy) to show so your name can be located and checked off the Fast Pass guest list.**

- **1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades:** Ms. Rose and Mrs. Tiet will be at the opening to the field to check in all visitors (for 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students) who have completed the Fast Pass process.
- **PK, K, Special Education:** Ms. Shaw and ancillary teachers will be at the gate to the primary playground (in the carpool lane) to check in all visitors (for PK, K, and Special Education) who have completed the Fast Pass process.

**10:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. PK-2<sup>nd</sup> Picnic Lunch**  
**11:00 a.m. -11:45 a.m. 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Picnic Lunch**

If you did not **pre-register for Fast Pass** through the front office, then all visitors on the day of the Family Picnic will need to go through the front office to check in with their driver’s license or passport.

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### K SIBLING ENROLLMENT

Do you have a child currently attending Bush Elementary? Do you have another child that will be 5 on or before September 1<sup>st</sup> and would you like to guarantee that the prospective kindergarten child will be at Bush Elementary for the 2019-2020 school year? If you answered yes to **BOTH** questions, then come to the office any time on **Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, April 11 from 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.** to register your kindergarten child for school next year.

K sibling registration packets are now available in the office. You will need to complete a kindergarten enrollment packet and bring the required documents. **If you use this process to enroll your kindergarten child for the 2019-2020 school year, then you will not need to come to one of our future registration dates.**

## SAFE MORNING ARRIVAL

Children have been observed being let out of their cars/minivans while in the moving lane of traffic at the stop sign on Manderly and Parkway Plaza. This is an **EXTREMELY DANGEROUS** practice. This unsafe behavior must stop IMMEDIATELY. Your child's safety is worth getting out of the house a few minutes earlier to use the carpool lane or park and use the crosswalks.

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## BBE PTO Spring General Meeting

**April 25th, 2019**

**@ 7:45am**

**BBE Multipurpose Room**

After school drop off on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, why not stay at school for a while, and join us at our Spring General PTO meeting! We will be serving some coffee and you can learn more about our PTO activities. This is an opportunity to have your say and we welcome your comments, questions and ideas for 2019-2020!

At this meeting, we will be electing new officers to serve our PTO, school and children in 2019-2020! Here is a slate of officers to be presented. Please come and support them!

**President:** Maha Aburas

**Vice President:** Katy Bate

**Secretary:** Miral Mourad

**Treasurer:** Kara Bemis

**Vice Treasurer:** Ayesha Durrani

**Business Partnerships:** Jyoti Singh & Maria Hartley

**Directory:** Horea Owens & Mayrem Vilchez

**VIPs:** Meycy Zapata & Derya Poerschke

**Fundraising:** Kristen Papajohn

**Family Hospitality:** Valerie Shaikh & Michelle Jackson

**Teacher Hospitality:** Beatriz Cunha & Yoon Koo

**Nature Center:** Catalina Solaris

**Publicity:** Roberta Withers

**Safety:** Taisir Sarage & Ana Ramirez

**School Store Coordinator:** Jessica McKay & Snezana Kato

**Art Coordinator:** Shere Lipinski

**Birthday Book Club:** Mayra Gonzalez

**Drama Coordinator:** Horea Owens

**Library Coordinator:** Najwan Nayef

**Music Coordinator:** Katy Bate

**Yearbook Coordinator:** Jessica McKay

**Fifth Grade Coordinator:** Jenny Kim & Kirsty Giles

**Website Coordinator:** Karen Chin and Kara Bemis

## PTO NEWS

### CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR BBE FIELD DAY!

Field Day and Family Picnic is this **Friday, April 12th!** Please remember to send your child in their tie-dye shirt and comfortable shoes as they will be running outside.

There are some volunteer opportunities still available and are split up into 4 available shifts. Volunteers need to consider that younger kids/siblings cannot be present during the shift!

**Please note:** Parents will not be able to follow their children's class around to the activities. Parents who volunteer through the PTO will be able to participate in the assigned Field Day activity, but need to stay at the assigned location.

Sign up for shifts at

[www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4cacao2ea0fb6-bbefamily3](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4cacao2ea0fb6-bbefamily3)

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## SPIRIT EVENT

**Fridays with Menchies** – Winter has ended so chill out on Fridays with a new flavor of frozen yogurt or mix your own flavors and top it with delicious toppings at Menchie's Frozen Yogurt! Let them know you are from Barbara Bush Elementary, and they will give 20% cash back to BBE PTO!

## Congratulations and Celebrations

Congratulations to **Ms. Dow's Third grade** class for winning a **Pizza Party** from Marco's Pizza!! They won by having the most orders during Marcos Pizza Box Week. Enjoy your pizza, Ms. Dow's Class!!

Congratulations to **Ms. McMaster's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Ms. Dow's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and Ms. Baldwin's 1<sup>st</sup> grade** classes for emerging as the top three classes in the Kroger Challenge. A tasty treat is coming your way soon. Enjoy!!

### BUSH BOBCATS – OUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT 2018-19

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