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BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – NOVEMBER 14, 2018

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November 19-23	No School	Thanksgiving Holiday- NO SCHOOL
December 21 st – January 4 th	No School	WINTER BREAK
January 18 th		Bush Breakfast Buddies Families A-K
January 18 th	11:30 a.m.	Early Dismissal
February 15 th		Bush Breakfast Buddies Families L-Z
February 15 th	11:30 a.m.	Early Dismissal

SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of November 12th is mixture.

BOBCAT NEWS

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Our special education classes have conducted a **Thanksgiving Food Drive** that started on Friday, November 9th and ends on **Friday, November 16th**. We will be collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to a local food pantry. We will have large boxes in the hallways to collect donations of canned fruit and vegetables, canned soups, dried pasta, rice, dried milk, baby food and cereal. Please help Bush Elementary School give our neighbors a Happy Thanksgiving.

BUSH CHOIR

Great job to our Bush Choir for an excellent performance at the Nutcracker Market last Thursday. You all did an amazing job. Thank you, Mrs. Rodiek & Ms. Vigil for your hard work & musical dedication. Keep making us Bush Proud!

OUTDOOR PARENT LUNCH

Fall is finally here and with that comes chilly and wet weather. Please be advised that the courtyard will be closed off for parent lunch visits when it's wet or too cold. Bush Elementary is an over-crowded campus and there is no room for parents to eat lunch inside the building, so please do not plan to come eat lunch with your child when it's wet or cold.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

As we prepare for the Thanksgiving Holiday, I realize I am thankful for many things: time off to spend with my family, over 880 exemplary students, the incredible and supportive Bush "family," and a hard-working and dedicated faculty and staff. I hope you enjoy spending time with your families. Please have a safe and happy Thanksgiving. I look forward to seeing everyone rested and ready to resume their excellent ways at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, November 26.

Ms. Rose, Principal

THANKFUL!

Thanksgiving is a great time to reflect and express thanks! The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) has been busily working very hard and thanks are expressed to all our dedicated PTO Board Members, Coordinators, Room Parents and a host of other PTO members who volunteer in many different capacities in Barbara Bush Elementary. Your time, effort, patience and creativity are priceless, and has been greatly appreciated.

The PTO is thankful for the families that support the PTO's programs and events. The smiles on the children's faces make all PTO efforts worthwhile!

The PTO would also like to offer enormous thanks to our excellent principal, teachers and staff. You help create a wonderful positive environment for our children to grow and learn. Enjoy your well-deserved holiday! Wishing everyone a wonderful and relaxing Thanksgiving Holiday!

PTO NEWS!

THANK YOU!

October BBE STAR VOLUNTEER

October was a very busy month with the annual Book Fair, Italian Dinner and a few field trips on top of the regular school business. We could not do all of this without the help of our volunteers and we appreciate that last month about 70 volunteers were there to help - some several times, for 1-2 hours on average. THANKS TO EVERYBODY!

Special thanks this month goes to RITSUKO TAMURA who helped at the Book Fair. Ritsuko was the lucky winner from the drawing of all volunteers and is therefore our October BBE star volunteer. She received an Edible Arrangement from our business sponsor Edible Arrangements on Eldridge Pkwy during the BUSH BINGO Bash.

If you are interested in the volunteering opportunities at Bush, please contact: bushpto.vips@gmail.com.

UIL

This past Saturday, we had over 60 Bush students compete in our first UIL tournament of the year at Welch Middle School. Over 900 students from 30 schools across HISD participated in this tournament! Bush Elementary earned **2nd place Team Sweepstakes!!** We're so proud of our Bush Bobcats! Way to go!!! A HUGE thank you to Mr. Hays, Ms. Francis, & Ms. Hall for their supporting roles in contributing to our success this past Saturday.

Art Grade 4

1st – Archit Mirasdar
2nd – Ronak Hiwale
7th – Anika Prakash
9th – Shriitha Mandula
Team Award: 2nd Place

Art Grade 5

5th – Poorvi Kurgod
7th – Neel Chandalia
Team Award: 2nd Place

Chess Puzzle Grade 2

1st – Miheer Parasnis
3rd – Ryan Zhu
5th – Nehaan Ramanujakootam
Team Award: 1st Place

Chess Puzzle Grade 3

9th – Shrivias Javidi
10th – Yash Upadhyay

Chess Puzzle Grade 4

1st – Nimesh Ramanujakootam
9th – Devansh Joshi
Team Award: 2nd Place

Chess Puzzle Grade 5

10th – Neel Chandalia

Creative Writing Grade 2

3rd – Valentina Cedeno Ramirez
8th – Nicolas Roger Bernabeu

Impromptu Speaking Grade 2

2nd – Pranav Limaye

Impromptu Speaking Grade 4

2nd – Denim Sasser

Mathematics

7th – Yusuke Nakano
Team Award: 3rd Place

Modern Oratory Grade 3

1st – Holt Nguyen-Lee
2nd – Vatsal Sharda
3rd – Raaga Bukkaraju

Modern Oratory Grades 4/5

2nd – Shruti Sathish
2nd – Priya Sekhri
3rd – Ronak Hiwale

Number Sense Grade 3

2nd – Harshil Sanklecha

Number Sense Grade 4

1st – Ronak Hiwale
2nd – Hrishik Yendluri
4th – Aidan Xu
7th – Archit Mirasdar
Team Award: 1st Place

Number Sense Grade 5

5th – Tisha Patel
6th – Daniel Chen
8th – Neel Chandalia
Team Award: 2nd Place

Oral Reading Grade 3

1st – Pravara Bhat
3rd – Manuela Farah Cunha

Oral Reading Grade 4

1st – Akhil Velagaleti
1st – Ethan Nguyen
3rd – Shruti Sathish

Oral Reading Grade 5

1st – Artemiss Ahmady Pooya
1st – Priya Sekhri

Spelling Grade 2

1st – Aditya Chowdhury
6th – Mihika Agrawal
7th – Avantika Manish

Spelling Grade 3

1st – Holt Nguyen-Lee
Team Award: 3rd Place

Spelling Grade 4

1st – Archit Mirasdar
8th – Yash Ambre

Spelling Grade 5

4th – Tisha Patel
4th – Priya Sekhri
7th – Neel Chandalia
Team Award: 1st Place

Storytelling Grade 2

2nd – Lise Billy
3rd – Antara Manish

Storytelling Grade 3

1st – Soha Nimbalkar
1st – Holt Nguyen-Lee

UIL CONT.

Congratulations to ALL of the Bush UIL Academic Team members who competed this past Saturday: Aditya Chowdhury, Advait Dadge, Aidan Xu, Akhil Velagaleti, Andrei Krasko, Anika Prakash, Antara Manish, Archit Mirasdar, Architha Kurupathi, Artemiss Pooya, Athruv Dwivedi, Avantika Manish, Ayan Nadkarni, Daniel Chen, Denim Sasser, Devansh Joshi, Drew Bemis, Eliza Smith, Ethan Nguyen, Gloria Chilewa, Harshil Sanklecha, Holt Nguyen-Lee, Hrishik Yendluri, Jay Semlani, Josefina Vidaurri Gomez, Lise Billy, Lorenzo Coletta, Manuela Farah Cunha, Maria Campos, Miguel Salavarrria, Miheer Parasnis, Mihika Agrawal, Neel Chandalia, Nehaan Ramanujakootam, Oluwatise Omidiran, Poorvi Kurgod, Pranav Limaye, Pravara Bhat, Priya Sekhri, Raaga Bukkaraju, Richard Huang, Ronak Hiwale, Ryan Zhu, Sai Kasthala, Shriitha Mandula, Shrivias Javidi, Shruti Sathish, Soha Nimbalkar, Sumodh Prabhu, Temilade Bello, Tisha Patel, Valentina Cedeno Ramirez, Vamsi Yadagiri, Vatsal Sharda, Yash Ambre, Yash Upadhyay, Yusuke Nakano.

NATURE CENTER

BBE PTO loves seeing our families enjoy being part of the BBE community. Did you realize that the Nature Center is open every Saturday morning between 9:30am and 12pm? You can explore the nature center and/or arrange a playdate in the playground. Please enjoy this opportunity when the weather is good. Special nature center events are planned for December 1st and December 15th, so mark your calendars!

BUSH SPIRIT EVENTS

Pizza Night at Russo's New York Pizzeria on Briar Forest Drive, Nov 14. Let them know you are a Bush Parent and 20% is donated to BUSH PTO. Includes Dine-In only.

COMMUNITY NEWS!

Barbara Bush Elementary families are invited to Westside High School to visit the Westside Community & Magnet Showcase on Thursday, November 15th from 5:30pm-8pm. Questions? Please contact Magnet Coordinator, Jane Miller, at emiller4@houstonisd.org.

Magnet Showcase Night

Revere Middle School is an HISD STEM Magnet school that your 5th grade student can attend next year! Revere is inviting all 5th grade students that love math, science, tech and engineering to attend their **Magnet Showcase Night** on **Thursday, November 15th from 5:30 to 7pm**. Come for demos, food and tours of Revere. Revere is located at **10502 Briar Forest Dr. at Beltway 8**. If you have a soon to be 6th grade student who is looking for an exciting school and are interested in Robotics, Drones, Engineering, and other Technology, plus a full Fine Arts program, Revere may be the middle school for you! Attend this event to make an informed decision about your child's middle school which you will be deciding in early December! If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Philip Porter at 713-917-3500 or email, pporter1@houstonisd.org.

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